

16. BELLA ROSA DRIVE/CATALUNA PLACE ON STREET PARKING

In accordance with a recommendation contained in the report of the 12 July 2002 meeting of the Board's Transport and Roading Committee, the Board gave consideration to the recommendation to ban on-street parking on part of Bella Rosa Drive and Cataluna Place, Hornby.

A recent on-site inspection had shown a degree of on-site all day parking by employees of a large commercial operation, sited on Carmen Road.

Although adequate on-street parking was provided, there was still a regular overflow onto Bella Rosa Drive and Cataluna Place.

Responses from 39 of the 45 households in Bella Rose Drive (from No 1 to numbers 19 and 36, being at the intersection with Jerez Place) and Cataluna Place resulted in support for some form of limited time parking.

The City Streets Manager had responded to the Committee's recommendation . In the report, the City Streets Manager commented:

Over the last few years some residents within the residential subdivision (Carmen Gardens), have complained about parking for long periods in Bella Rosa Drive. Residents have expressed concerns relating to road safety, convenience and visual pollution associated with the parking of these vehicles. A number of site inspections have been carried by both staff and elected members. Whilst there is evidence to suggest that some staff do park in Bella Rosa Drive, the extent has always been limited to the very first section, closest to Carmen Road and seldom has involved any more than a dozen vehicles.

*Generally the intended function of time limited parking restrictions is to create "turnover" allowing small retail uses without adequate and/or convenient off street parking to be more economically viable. At the interface between commercial/Industrial and Residential land uses a number of issues typically arise. Not least of these is the issue of conflicting demands for kerbside parking. In recognising these conflicting and competing demands, the City Streets Unit has, in the past, been supportive of the implementation of two hour parking on **one** side of the streets within an area experiencing or likely to experience conflicting demand as a result of the implementation. This has been successful and provides a good balance between the desires of residents for visitor parking etc and the need to provide long-term parking for employees.*

The concerns of some residents in Bella Rosa Drive are similar to the concerns being expressed by some residents at similar residential/industrial interfaces throughout the city. Parking restrictions can be effective in balancing the requirements of all users. However, in this particular case, the extent of the problem does not warrant the introduction of parking restrictions. The number of residents experiencing a problem is very limited and on street parking is still available for visitors within close walking distance. At the very most, if parking restrictions were to be introduced they should be on one side only.

It was **resolved** to approve the imposition of parking restrictions on both sides of Bella Rosa Drive from its intersection with Carmen Road to the Jerez Place corner and the boundary of numbers 17 and 19 Bella Rosa Place, such restrictions to allow parking for a maximum of two hours between the hours of 8.00 am to 5.00 pm from Monday to Friday inclusive.