

4. HACKTHORNE ROAD: PARKING RESTRICTION

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The purpose of this report is to ask the Board to approve parking restriction changes at the bend near 111 and 113 Hackthorne Road, Cashmere (see attachments).

BACKGROUND

Eight residents of number 113 Hackthorne Road have expressed concern at exiting their driveway for the lack of visibility of east bound (uphill) vehicles, especially when vehicles are parked in front of number 111 Hackthorne Road (see attached). Between the bend and the driveway of number 113 there are “no stopping” lines and on-street parking for two vehicles. When vehicles are parked in this area the vision of approaching traffic around the bend is restricted.

Board members will be aware of the public interest when traffic management consultation was carried out in 2000. The plan approved by Council then, is attached, and this shows the no stopping line outside 111 Hackthorne Road. This request is to extend the “no stopping line” further downhill.

The demand for on-street parking in this section of Hackthorne Road has increased since the establishment of a café and other businesses at the intersection of Dyers Pass Road.

CONSULTATION

Mr Alexander from number 111 Hackthorne Road was approached to seek his support to extend the “no stopping” lines from the bend to the driveway of number 113. However, Mr Alexander expressed a desire to retain the two existing on-street parking spaces in front of his property. In this section of Hackthorne Road there are no time-restricted parking areas and all-day parking is available for all residents.

CONCLUSION

To improve the safety of vehicle movements at this bend and to increase sight visibility for motorists exiting the driveway at number 113, it is considered appropriate to recommend to the Board the extension of the “no stopping at any time” lines from the bend in front of number 111 Hackthorne Road to the driveway of number 113. Motorists entering and exiting the driveway of number 113 Hackthorne Road must exercise due care and often turn left when exiting their driveway in preference to making a right turn against uphill traffic.

Staff

Recommendation: That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the north side of Hackthorne Road commencing at a point adjacent to the eastern boundary of number 111 Hackthorne Road and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of ten metres.