

5. WAIWETU STREET - PROPOSED NO PARKING RESTRICTION

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval for the installation of a no parking restriction (Monday-Friday 8:40-9:10 and 2:40-3:10 schooldays) outside the rear entrance to "Fendalton Open Air School" on Waiwetu Street.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Board of Trustees from the Fendalton Open Air School have asked the Council to assist in addressing the safety issues and potential hazards generated by parents and care givers dropping off and picking up children attending the school on Waiwetu Street.
3. Like many schools, the demand for short term drop off and pick up parking associated with students cannot be practicably contained on site. The School provides off street parking for staff and visitors adjacent to their main entrance on Clyde Road and a P5 in front of the School in the same location. Clyde Road is a collector road having a speed limit of 50 kph but is a popular through route and as such speeds of vehicles are often in excess of the limit. As a result a portion of activity associated with delivering and picking up children occurs on Waiwetu Street which has less vehicular activity and provides a rear 'access way' entrance to the School.
4. The drop off and pick up of children is occurring in an inappropriate, and often unsafe, manner with some vehicles "double" parking and others parking over driveways and across the school entrance. The presence of these vehicles creates congestion at a point where children are crossing Waiwetu Street.
5. The installation of a No Parking restriction for the period Monday – Friday 8:40-9:10 and 2:40-3:10 (school days) on the east and west sides of Waiwetu Street covering 7 spaces immediately outside the School is considered the most cost effective and practical solution to the problem.
6. Installing a No Parking restriction for specified periods will provide a safe zone for children crossing Waiwetu Street whilst balancing the parking needs of other users outside of the peak periods of school related activity.
7. The proposal is aligned to the Parking Strategy, specifically Policy 9D "Frontage Streets"– "To recognise and specifically consider the provision and management of on-street parking adjoining educational institutions". This policy is achieved through the method "Time Restrictions – to apply selective time restrictions to the on-street parking on the road frontages of the institutions."
8. Consultation has been completed with affected stakeholders and support has been forthcoming with one exception. The resident occupying 30 Waiwetu Street objected to the proposal but it should be noted this property is currently advertised as being for sale and has sufficient off street parking. The benefits to road safety are considered to out weigh the loss of kerbside parking.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Cost

9. The installation of signs and markings is within operational budgets.

Legal

10. The Land Transport Rules provide for the installation of parking restrictions.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Board approves that the parking of vehicles be prohibited from Monday – Friday 8:40 am - 9:10 am and 2:40 pm - 3:10 pm (school days) in the following locations:

- (a) The west side of Waiwetu Street commencing at a point 224.5 metres north of the Fendalton Road intersection and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 38.5 metres.
- (b) The east side of Waiwetu Street commencing at a point 215 metres north of the Fendalton Road intersection and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 48 metres.