

4. WAIRAKEI ROAD – PROPOSED FIVE MINUTE PARKING RESTRICTION

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the Board to install a short length of 5 minute parking restriction on the north side of Wairakei Road, east of Roydvale Avenue intersection (refer attached).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. There is a dry-cleaning store and a small Post Shop (including two hundred private post boxes) located at 526 Wairakei Road. There is also a Post Box located on the grass berm area adjacent to the roadway and directly outside of 526 Wairakei Road.
3. The Manager of Master Valet, a dry-cleaning business requested that a 5 minute parking restriction be installed on Wairakei Road to service the customers of both businesses. Currently people often utilise the on-site drive-through parking area associated with the dry-cleaning business as an area to stop while accessing their mail box. A further request for a P5 has been made by a customer who frequents the dry cleaning business and finds it difficult to obtain parking.
4. It is noted that the Council's parking Strategy for "Business Areas" states that "short stay parking for retail needs" is a higher priority than "commuter parking".
5. The problems associated with the current situation can be overcome through the installation of a short term (five minute) parking restriction covering 2 - 3 spaces.
6. The dry-cleaning business and the Post Shop are the only directly affected party's and their support has been forthcoming. No other persons are considered to be affected by the proposal

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Cost

7. Installation of signs and posts is within existing budgets

Legal

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

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board agree that the parking of vehicles is limited to a maximum of 5 minutes on the northern side of Wairakei Road commencing at a point 65 metres east of the Roydvale Avenue intersection and extending 15m in an easterly direction.