

32. COLOMBO STREET KERB EXTENSION

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment DDI 941-8656
Officer responsible:	Asset and Network Planning Manager
Author:	Peter Atkinson, Transport Planner - Central City

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To seek approval to extend an area of footpath for outdoor dining on the west side Colombo Street between Kilmore Street and Peterborough Street and to amend the existing parking restrictions. (See **attachment**)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. An application has been received from Café Valentino to extend their existing footway dining area on the west side of Colombo Street. The existing area only occupies part of the frontage of their site and they now wish to extend to include the whole frontage. The original provision of this facility has been a success, especially during the warmer months. The existing area provides a street dining experience for many local diners, as well as large number of tourists. The current demand for these outdoor tables is outstripping the current provision.
3. The proprietors propose to extend the area to the north, adjacent to their shop. The proposed area of footpath extension in turn affects half of an existing 'pay and display' vehicle parking space. It is proposed to relocate the affected parking spaces between the existing site and Peterborough Street, thus reducing the extent of the existing no stopping restriction, while at the same time retaining the number of existing pay and display parking spaces.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4. The applicant will fully meet the cost of the works associated with the footpath extension works. For the Council, as the proposed extension does not affect the net number of available parking numbers, there is a positive financial benefit by way of income from the additional area of leased footpath.
5. The proposed works and impact of the existing 'no stopping restrictions' will not impact on the operation or safety of the adjacent intersection with Peterborough Street.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. The proposed kerb extension effectively redistributes the location of existing 'no stopping' parking restrictions. This power to change the extent of 'no stopping' restriction rests with the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

7. The proposed application is in keeping with the Councils objectives of adding interest and vibrancy to the central city, as reflected in the City Council's Central City Re – vitalisation Plan. There are no budget works of this nature proposed in the LTCCP.

ALIGNMENT WITH THE COUNCIL VISION

8. This application is a positive indication of the of Council's vision to provide a vibrant, enjoyable, safe and sustainable heart to Christchurch. The café which opened in 1991 by the same enthusiastic owners has been the recipients of numerous awards including recognition from the Community Board. The business operates premises that are well maintained, advertising free and visually attractive.
9. The applicant has been instrumental in adding to the development of this unique part of the central city. They have demonstrated their commitment to this area with the purchase of the building. This shows a commitment to both enhance a public space and grow the business and commercial areas of the central city

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

10. The applicant has carried out consultation with local business adjacent to their premises and has written support from them.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:

- (a) Extend the footpath adjacent to the premises at 811- 813 Colombo Street.
- (b) That a 'no stopping at all times' parking restriction on the western side of Colombo Street be shortened to between a point opposite the southern kerb-line of Peterborough Street and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 10 metres.
- (c) That a 'no stopping at all times' parking restriction on the western side of Colombo Street between a point 22 metres measured in a southerly direction from a point opposite the southern kerb-line of Peterborough Street and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 6 metres.
- (d) That the existing P 60 metered parking restriction on the western side of Colombo Street be relocated to a location 12 metres measured in a southerly direction from a point opposite the southern kerb-line of Peterborough Street and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 11 metres.
- (e) That the existing parking restriction be deleted.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.