

8. FITZGERALD AVENUE – PROPOSED P10 PARKING RESTRICTION

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board's approval that a parking restriction be installed on the east side of Fitzgerald Avenue.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Council has received a request from Garden Classics at 302 Fitzgerald Avenue to install two 10 minute restricted parking spaces outside their premises (refer **attached**).
3. The Garden Centre and The Trellis Centre operate manufacturing and retail sales businesses out of 302 Fitzgerald Avenue. The premises are the second property on the eastern, or southbound, carriageway of Fitzgerald Avenue south of its intersection with London Street. The residences in the area are mainly older houses or higher density flats, with these two businesses and a Funeral Directors in London Street being the exception.
4. No stopping restrictions extend along the eastern side of Fitzgerald Avenue for 31 metres from the intersection with London Street to the northern edge of the vehicle entrance for 302 Fitzgerald Avenue. From the southern edge of the vehicle entrance unrestricted parking commences and goes for several hundreds of meters being interrupted only by bus stops.
5. As this is the first unrestricted parking area on the eastern side of Fitzgerald Avenue south of the London Street intersection, it is a popular place for vehicles to be parked while attending a funeral or to be parked all day while the occupants work in the Central Business District. Consequently there is often no on street parking close to the premises that is available for customers to the two businesses, or for Goods Service Vehicles making or taking deliveries to or from the premises.
6. The installation of 12 metres of P10 restricted parking applying from 8am to 6pm from Monday to Sunday will provide an area where two average sized cars, or a larger Goods Service Vehicle can park.
7. Because of the position of the vehicle entrance into the applicants property, this 12 metres of restricted parking is predominantly in front of the applicants property with three metres extending south over the boundary with 300 Fitzgerald Avenue. This leaves sufficient space for two other vehicles to park in the unrestricted parking area outside the address in addition to the many hundreds of metres of unrestricted south of the address.
8. Eight consultation documents were distributed to nearby residences. However none were returned. Therefore a visit was made to the property of 300 Fitzgerald Avenue being the only other property directly affected by this proposal. The occupants of the two flats at that address were spoken to and have no objection to the proposed changes. The owner of 300 Fitzgerald Avenue was also contacted and had no objection to the proposed changes.
9. This property is in the Richmond Neighbourhood Association area. However as they are in recess, no consultation could be done with that residents group.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

10. The estimated cost of erecting two P10 signs is \$250.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

11. The installation of road markings and signs is within the LTCCP Streets and Transport Operational Budgets.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

12. Part 1, Clause 5 of the Christchurch City Council Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2008 provides Council with the authority to install parking restrictions by resolution.
13. The Community Boards have delegated authority from the Council to exercise the delegations as set out in the Register of Delegations dated April 2008. The list of delegations for the Community Boards includes the resolution of parking restrictions and Traffic Control Devices.
14. The installation of any parking restriction signs and/or markings must comply with the Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004.

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

15. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

16. Aligns with the Streets and Transport activities by contributing to the Council's Community Outcomes Safety and Community.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

17. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

18. The recommendations align with the Council Strategies including the Parking Strategy 2003.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's Strategies?

19. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

20. As detailed in clause 8, there were eight consultation documents distributed to nearby residences. However none were returned. A visit was made to the property of 300 Fitzgerald Avenue, being the only other property directly affected by this proposal. The occupants of the two flats at that address were spoken to and have no objection to the proposed changes. The property owner of 300 Fitzgerald Avenue was also contacted and had no objection to the proposed changes.
21. There is no operational residents group for this area as the Richmond Neighbourhood Association is in recess.
22. The officer in Charge Parking Enforcement agrees with this recommendation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board approve that the parking of vehicles be restricted to a maximum period of 10 minutes on the eastern side of Fitzgerald Avenue commencing at a point 36 metres south from its intersection with London Street, and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 12 metres.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.