# 8. DRYDEN STREET - PROPOSED DISABLED PARK

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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 disabled parking space be installed on the south side of Dryden Street (West).

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 2. Staff received a request from Sumner School in Colenso Street that a disabled parking space be installed near the school entrance in Dryden Street (West) off Stoke Street.
- 3. Dryden Street runs east to west between Head Street and Stoke Street but is separated near the western end by Sumner Primary School. The section of Dryden Street that this report refers to is the no exit section that starts at Stoke Street and extends east for 61.8 metres to the school boundary. It will be referred to as Dryden Street (West) in this report. Please refer to the attached plan (Attachment 1).
- 4. Sumner School has entrances on Colenso Street, Wiggins and both parts of Dryden Street. There is no off-street staff parking on the school grounds. Therefore the unrestricted parking areas outside the drop-off and pick up areas that are close to the entrances are usually taken up by staff member vehicles.
- 5. At present there is one child attending the school that uses a wheelchair. This child is usually delivered to the school by her mother in a vehicle. Finding a suitable parking space close to a school entrance where both the child and the wheelchair can be safely loaded or unloaded into or out of the vehicle away from passing traffic can be difficult. Therefore it would be beneficial for the parent of this child if a dedicated disabled parking space can be installed.
- 6. Installing a disabled parking space that may be used for only a very short time during school hours and days is hard to justify. However a school hall is currently being built near the Dryden Street (West) school entrance that will also be available for use by the community for events and functions outside school hours. Therefore a disabled parking space close to both the school and the hall entrance that could be used for drop-offs and pick-ups of disabled school children and other disabled persons attending community functions is justified.
- 7. On the south side of the section of Dryden Street (West) that this report relates to there are 15 90 degree angled unrestricted marked parking spaces. The space closest to the school boundary and entrance has been requested by the school to be made into the disabled parking space. In addition to it being close to an entrance, it has the width needed to provide access to and from a transporting vehicle without affecting any of the remaining 14 parking spaces.
- 8. Consultation documents outlining the proposed location of the disabled parking space were distributed to the six properties in Dryden Street (West) or in Stoke Street close to Dryden Street (West). There was only one respondent, with that being in support of the proposal. The Sumner Residents' Association supports the proposal. See paragraphs 19 and 20 for further details.

# FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9. The estimated cost of this proposal is approximately \$350 for the erection of two signs and the painting of appropriate road markings.

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

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

#### **LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- 11. Part 1, Clause 5 of the Christchurch City Council Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2008 provides the Council with the authority to install parking restrictions by resolution.
- 12. The Community Boards have delegated authority from the Council to exercise the delegations as set out in the Register of Delegations dated December 2009. The list of delegations for the Community Boards includes the resolution of parking restrictions and Traffic Control Devices.
- 13. 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?

14. As above.

#### ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

15. 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?

16. As above.

#### **ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

17. The recommendations align with the Council's Parking Strategy 2003.

# Do the recommendations align with the Council's Strategies?

18. As above.

#### **CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

- 19. Six consultation documents were distributed to nearby residences. One or 16.75 per cent were returned. That response supported the installation of the disabled parking space as proposed.
- 20. The Sumner Residents' Association were consulted and support the proposed installation of a Disabled Parking Space in Dryden Street.

# STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board approve:

(a) That any existing parking restrictions applying at any time on the south side of Dryden Street (West) extending east from its intersection with Stoke Street to its culmination at the western boundary of Sumner Primary School be revoked.

- (b) That 90 degree angled parking is installed on the south side of Dryden Street (West) commencing at a point 5 metres east from its intersection with Stoke Street and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 52.5 metres.
- (c) That a 90 degree angled Disabled Parking Space be installed for vehicles displaying a Mobility card on the south side of Dryden Street (West) commencing at a point 57.5 metres east from its intersection with Stoke Street and extending in a easterly direction for a distance of 4.3 metres.

# **CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION**

That the staff recommendation be adopted.