

7. BOWER AVENUE - PARKING RESTRICTION

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval for the installation of a "No Stopping At Any Time" parking restriction, on the west side of Bower Avenue between the Broadhaven Avenue roundabout and the Broadhaven Park car park.

Concern has been raised about vehicle movements in Bower Avenue north of Broadhaven Avenue. Vehicles are parking on both sides of the road when sport events and practices are being held in Broadhaven Park. This section of Bower Avenue is narrow and when vehicles are parked on both sides of the road for the majority of its length, traffic movements are restricted to one way traffic with little or no opportunity for motorists to pull over to allow other vehicles to pass.

The existing car park at the northern end of Bower Avenue has limited parking spaces available to the public. However, the Parks and Waterways Unit proposes to increase this facility when funds allow.

The installation of no stopping lines on one side of the road will improve the safety for motorists and cyclists travelling through this area. The subdivision on the eastern side of the road is now being developed and the resident from 566 Bower Avenue supports the installation of a parking restriction on the western side of the road.

This report meets the Community Board's Objective 6 for 2001/02 and the Parking Operations Manager supports the introduction of this parking restriction.

Recommendation: That the Board approve the installation of the parking restriction prohibiting the stopping of vehicles at any time along the west side of Bower Avenue commencing at its intersection with Broadhaven Avenue and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 140 metres.

Chairperson's Recommendation: That the abovementioned recommendation be adopted.