

7. CHALMERS STREET – PROPOSED P15 PARKING RESTRICTION

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Committee's recommendation to the Board to approve a parking restriction (P15) be installed on the northern side of Chalmers Street.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. In November 2009 the Hornby Fruit and Vege shop opened at 53 Chalmers Street and in an attempt to increase the level of service for their customers, they applied to the Council staff to consider that the existing P120 parking restrictions on the north side of Chalmers Street be altered to a shorter time period to increase the efficiency of the parking available. Business owners commented that motorists often parked for longer than two hours in the P120 parking restriction.
3. Chalmers Street is classified as a local road and is located on the northern side of The Hub Hornby shopping complex (Refer to **Attachment 1**). The Hub Hornby has 650 onsite car parking spaces, of which 32 are P10, 68 are P60, 17 are Mobility parks (no time limit) and the remaining 533 spaces are P180 parking.
4. Businesses on this section of Chalmers Street are: Firestone, Hornby Fruit and Vege, Parrots Print and Copy Limited, Caveman Technology, Baby on the Move and there is presently one vacant shop immediately to the west of Hornby Fruit and Vege. Most of these businesses have a relatively short customer turn-over period and would benefit from a shorter time restriction than is currently in place.
5. Currently parking restrictions on the northern side of Chalmers Street are 60 metres (10 spaces) of P120 parking west of Firestone, 36 metres of no stopping (broken yellow lines) and 17 metres (3 spaces) of P120 parking to the west of the no stopping lines. Current parking restrictions on the southern side over the same length of Chalmers Street include a P30 (Bus only) Bus lay-by area, a section of no stopping (broken yellow lines) and 12 metres of unrestricted parking immediately west of the eastern vehicle entrance to The Hub Hornby.
6. Currently Hornby Fruit and Vege on site parking consists of 12 parking spaces, eight available to their customers and four allocated to The Hub Hornby for staff parking (lease requirement).
7. Five businesses as above (paragraph four) and The Hub Hornby were consulted on the proposal. Four replies were received, three were in support of the proposal and The Hub Hornby required that the restriction be P60 to support the proposal. Baby on the Move management also advised staff that they felt that the 17 metres of P120 outside their premises would also service their business more efficiently if changed to P15. Because the response from the businesses most affected by the proposal was in support of P15, the staff recommendation is for P15 to be installed. There is an opportunity for The Hub Hornby to request the unrestricted parking spaces on the south side to be restricted to 60 minutes if they feel there is still a need for medium term parking in Chalmers Street.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8. The estimated cost of this proposal is approximately \$200.

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

9. The installation of signs is within the LTCCP Streets and Transport Operational Budgets.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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?

13. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

14. 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?

15. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

16. The recommendations align with the Council Strategies including the Parking Strategy 2003, Pedestrian Strategy 2001, Road Safety Strategy 2004 and the Safer Christchurch Strategy 2005.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's Strategies?

17. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

18. Refer to paragraph 7 for details on consultation.
19. There is no residents association representing this area.
20. The Officer in Charge- Parking Enforcement agrees with this recommendation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee recommends that the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board approve:

- (a) That any existing parking restrictions at any time on the north side of Chalmers Street within a distance of 161 metres west of its intersection with Carmen Road (SH1) be revoked.
- (b) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the northern side of Chalmers Street commencing at its intersection with Carmen Road (SH1) and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 48 metres.
- (c) That the parking of vehicles be restricted to a maximum period of 15 minutes on the northern side of Chalmers Street commencing at a point 48 metres in a westerly direction from its intersection with Carmen Road (SH1) and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 60 metres. This restriction is to apply from 8am to 6pm every day.

- (d) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the northern side of Chalmers Street commencing at a point 108 metres in a westerly direction its intersection with Carmen Road (SH1) and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 36 metres.
- (e) That the parking of vehicles be restricted to a maximum period of 15 minutes on the northern side of Chalmers Street commencing at a point 144 metres in a westerly direction from its intersection with Carmen Road (SH1) and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 17 metres. This restriction is to apply to from 8am to 6pm every day.