10. WALSALL STREET - PROPOSED NO STOPPING RESTRICTION

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board's approval that the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the south eastern side of Walsall Street.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The Council have received a request from a local resident that an investigation be undertaken into parking in Walsall Street in front of Walsall Reserve. The investigation has highlighted the need to extend the existing No Stopping restriction on the south eastern side of the street. (refer to the **attached plan**).
- 3. Walsall Street is a No Exit street and extends south west from Clarence Street South. With the exception of some widening at the cul de sac end, the road is only seven metres wide. There is a neighbourhood reserve called Walsall Reserve on the southeast corner of Walsall Street.
- 4. An existing No Stopping restriction extends on the south eastern side of the road for the majority of the seven metre wide section of road but ends at Walsall Reserve. This means that parking is currently allowed on both sides of the road prior to its intersection with Clarence Street South.
- 5. If vehicles are parked on both sides of Walsall Street then it is reduced to one lane. This creates a dangerous situation when a vehicle is exiting Walsall Street and meets another vehicle entering from Clarence Street South. These vehicles have limited visibility of each other and no space to take evasive action.
- 6. Where a street is less than seven metres wide, it is Council practise to remove parking on one side to maintain access to property, emergency vehicle access and through traffic movement. It is therefore proposed to extend the existing No Stopping restriction on the south eastern side of Walsall Street so that it applies for the full length of the seven metre wide section of road.
- 7. The proposed extension of the existing No Stopping restriction will not remove any on-street parking from in front of residential properties but will remove approximately five on-street parking spaces along the Walsall Reserve frontage. There is unrestricted parking along the Clarence Street South frontage of Walsall Reserve.
- A consultation letter and plan explaining the proposed changes was sent to the Walsall Street property owners and residents neighbouring Walsall Reserve and the Raceway Residents Group. For details refer to paragraphs 19 – 21.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9. The estimated cost of this proposal is approximately \$70.

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 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. 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 Strategies including the Parking Strategy 2003 and the Road Safety Strategy 2004.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's Strategies?

18. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

- 19. A consultation letter and plan explaining the proposed changes was sent to the Walsall Street property owners and residents neighbouring Walsall Reserve. Six letters were sent out and no replies were received.
- 20. The Raceway Residents Group has been consulted and support this proposal.
- 21. The officer in Charge Parking Enforcement agrees with this recommendation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board:

Revoke the following on Walsall Street:

(a) That any existing parking restrictions on the south eastern side of Walsall Street commencing at its intersection with Clarence Street South and extending in a south westerly direction be revoked.

Approve the following on Walsall Street:

(b) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the south eastern side of Walsall Street commencing at its intersection with Clarence Street South and extending in a south westerly direction for a distance of 113 metres.

CHAIRPERSONS' RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.