


1. DRAFT CITYWIDE PARKING STRATEGY



Stuart Woods (Senior Transport Planner) and Heather Wallis (Graduate Transport Planner) presented the Draft Citywide Parking Strategy and invited the Board's comments on the Strategy. The Board commented as follows:

1. The Board supports the Strategy in general.
2. Policy 5.2.1: The term "special pedestrian amenity" should be clearly defined. This definition should include a definition of the term itself, together with examples of "special pedestrian amenities" such as Cathedral Square. Enforcement of "special pedestrian amenities" needs to be carefully managed. An enforcement scale could be introduced with, for example, zero tolerance in a "special pedestrian amenity" such as Cathedral Square through to a high level of tolerance in suburban areas. Each Community Board could be asked to identify its own "special pedestrian amenity" areas.
3. Policy 5.2.2 (Method 2: Bus Lanes and General Clearways): The Board places high priority on introducing Bus Lanes and General Clearways.
4. Policy 5.2.2 (Method 4: Landscaping of Parking Areas): Where parking areas are in residential areas, they should be required to be sealed and landscaped, and these requirements should be stringently enforced.
5. Policy 5.2.4 (Policy 5R: Parking for Disabled Persons): Fines for illegal parking in disabled persons' parking facilities should be increased. The penalties should also be noted on the signs designating these parking facilities, and disabled persons' parking facilities should be stringently enforced.
6. Policy 5.2.5 (Policy 5T: Education): The Board endorses the concept that "on-street parking is a privilege, not a right."
7. Policy 7.4: Some concern was expressed at the low priority given to residents' parking facilities in the Central City.
8. Policy 8.2 (Method: Kerbside Parking Priority): The Board recognises the tension between resident car parking and commuter car parking in the Central City and submits that the Residents' Parking Permits system should be reviewed to provide a flexible policy which is able to better meet residents' needs.
9. Policy 10.2 (Method: Management Plans): The Board endorses the concept of management plans and Council involvement in developing these plans. Walking school buses should also be actively promoted.