10. HEREFORD STREET - PROPOSED CHANGES TO PARKING FOR NEW CIVIC OFFICES.

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Council's approval to install new parking restrictions in Hereford Street and Cambridge Terrace.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The Christchurch City Council will move to new premises in Hereford Street in August/September 2010.
- 3. In preparation for this move, a review of the existing parking in the vicinity was done to determine whether any changes were needed to meet an expected increase in demand for vehicle parking in the area.
- 4. The review identified that existing on-street parking in the area bordered by Cambridge Terrace, Rolleston Avenue and Armagh Street was sufficient to accommodate any increase in demand for medium term parking. However, changes are needed in Hereford Street immediately outside the main entrance into the new building to provide more short term parking and to provide for persons with disabilities. (Attachment 1). Longer term parking is provided for in the nearby five Council and privately owned public car parks, including the Art Gallery Car Park which is currently under-utilised.
- 5. The parking layout that was in place outside the new Civic Offices building before construction started cannot be reinstated due to construction of a kerb build-out at the main entrance. This will require the installation of broken yellow "no stopping" lines along what was an area of metered parking.

Existing parking on the North side of Hereford Street between Montreal Street & Cambridge Terrace.

From Montreal Street in an easterly direction.

- 6. No stopping restrictions extend for 7.5 metres from the intersection with Montreal Street.
- 7. Six x P60 Pay & Display Metered Parking Spaces extend for 36.5 metres to the western boundary of the new Civic Offices.
- 8. The restricted and metered parking spaces that previously extended from that point for a further 71.5 metres east along the front of the building are currently being utilised as part of the construction zone.
- 9. No stopping restrictions then extend from the end of the previous parking area to the intersection with Cambridge Terrace.

Proposed alteration to parking in the above area.

From Montreal Street in an easterly direction.

- 10. The existing 7.5 metre length of no stopping restrictions extending east from Montreal Street is retained.
- 11. The existing 36.5 metres of P60 Metered Parking Spaces between the end of the stopping restrictions and the start of the current construction zone is retained.

- 12. A 13.5 metre length of Metered Disabled Parking with a time limit of 60 minutes incorporating 2 x 6 metre spaces with a 1.5 metre wide "access aisle" between the spaces is installed between the eastern end of the above Metered Parking Spaces and the new kerb build-out for the main entrance. Note: Payment for parking will be required during the hours of operation of the parking meters, but not at other times. The restriction that these spaces be for Mobility Permit holders only to apply at any time.
- 13. No stopping restrictions are installed for 24 metres along the front of the new kerb build-out.
- 14. A 24.5 metre length of P10 restricted parking applying at any time is installed from the eastern end of the build-out.
- 15. A 10 metre long P5 Goods Vehicles Only Loading Zone applying at any time is installed to the east of the P10 parking.
- 16. No stopping restrictions be installed for 52.5 metres from the eastern end of the loading zone to the intersection with Cambridge Terrace.

Existing parking on the South side of Hereford Street between Montreal Street & Cambridge Terrace.

From Cambridge Terrace in a westerly direction.

- 17. No stopping restrictions extend for 13 metres west from Cambridge Terrace.
- 18. 120.5 metres or 19 x P60 Metered Parking Spaces extend west.
- 19. No stopping restrictions extend for 37 metres from the last metered parking space to the intersection with Montreal Street.

Proposed alteration to parking in the above area.

From Cambridge Terrace in a westerly direction.

- 20. The existing 13 metre length of stopping restrictions is retained.
- 21. That 96 metres or 15 x P60 Metered parking spaces are installed.
- 22. That 24.5 metres or the last 4 metered parking spaces are changed to P10 parking spaces.
- 23. That the existing 37 metres of no stopping restrictions extending to Montreal Street is retained.
- 24. These changes will add to the existing range of short, medium and long term parking options available for visitors to the new civic buildings and to other properties both residential and commercial nearby.

Christchurch Police Requests

- 25. The Christchurch Police were consulted about the proposed changes. They supported the changes outlined above, but asked if it was possible to make alterations to parking immediately outside the Police Station on Cambridge Terrace.
- 26. To improve the visibility of approaching vehicles for vehicles leaving the Police Station via the Cambridge Terrace vehicle entrance exit from the Police Station, they requested that consideration be given to removing the closest parking space to the vehicle entrance.
- 27. They also requested whether it was possible for P10 parking for two vehicles to be installed near the main entrance into the Police Station to provide parking for short term visitors.

Existing parking on Western side of Cambridge Terrace immediately outside the Police Station.

28. There are three metered P60 parking spaces on the western side of Cambridge Terrace outside the Police Station. It is the third or southern most of these parking spaces from Hereford Street that the Police would like removed to improve visibility.

Proposed alteration to parking in the above area.

From Hereford Street in a southerly direction.

29. The existing three x P60 metered parking spaces on the western side of Cambridge Terrace south of Hereford Street be changed to P10 parking for the two spaces closest to Hereford Street with the third space or southernmost space being changed to no stopping restrictions.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

30. The estimated cost of this proposal is \$1,800.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

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

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 32. 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.
- 33. The Council has determined that parking restrictions in this area of the Christchurch Central Business District are to be approved by the Council as set out in the Register of Delegations dated 10 December 2009.
- 34. 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?

35. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

36. 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 2006-16 LTCCP?

37. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

38. The recommendations align with the Council Strategies including the Parking Strategy 2003.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's Strategies?

39. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

- 40. There has been no consultation other than with the Christchurch Police in regard to these proposed changes.
- 41. There is no residents group that covers the area of Hereford Street and Cambridge Terrace where it is proposed to make changes to parking.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council:

- 1. Resolve to revoke the following:
 - (a) That all existing parking restrictions on the north and south side of Hereford Street between Cambridge Terrace and Montreal Street be revoked.
 - (b) That all existing parking restrictions on the western side of Cambridge Terrace commencing at its intersection with Hereford Street and extending south for 34 metres be revoked.
- 2. Approve the following parking restrictions on the north side of Hereford Street:
 - (a) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the north side of Hereford Street commencing at its intersection with Montreal Street and extending in a easterly direction for a distance of 7.5 metres.
 - (b) That Parking Meters with a time limit of 60 minutes be installed on the north side of Hereford Street commencing at a point 7.5 metres east from its intersection with Montreal Street and extending in a easterly direction for a distance of 36.5 metres. This restriction to apply from Monday to Sunday and from 9am to 6pm.
 - (c) That a Mobility Parking space in which parking meters with a time limit of 60 minutes operating from Monday to Sunday from 9am to 6pm be installed on the north side of Hereford Street commencing at a point 44 metres east from its intersection with Montreal Street and extending in a easterly direction for a distance of 13.5 metres. The restriction that these spaces be restricted for Mobility Parking only is to apply at any time.
 - (d) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the north side of Hereford Street commencing 57.5 metres from its intersection with Montreal Street and extending in a easterly direction for a distance of 24 metres.
 - (e) That the parking of vehicles be restricted to a maximum period of 10 minutes on the north side of Hereford Street commencing at a point 81.5 metres east from its intersection with Montreal Street and extending in a easterly direction for a distance of 24.5 metres. This restriction is to apply at any time.
 - (f) That a time limited Loading Zone-Goods Vehicles Only (maximum period of five minutes) be installed on the north side of Hereford Street commencing at a point 106 metres east from its intersection with Montreal Street and extending in a easterly direction for a distance of 10 metres. This restriction to apply at any time.
 - (g) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the north side of Hereford Street commencing 116 metres from its intersection with Montreal Street and extending in a easterly direction for a distance of 53 metres to the intersection with Cambridge Terrace.
- 3. Approve the following parking restrictions on the south side of Hereford Street:
 - (a) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the south side of Hereford Street commencing at its intersection with Cambridge Terrace and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 13 metres.

- (b) That parking meters with a time limit of 60 minutes be installed on the south side of Hereford Street commencing at a point 13 metres west from its intersection with Cambridge Terrace and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 96 metres. This restriction to apply from Monday to Sunday and from 9am to 6pm.
- (c) That the parking of vehicles be restricted to a maximum period of 10 minutes on the south side of Hereford Street commencing at a point 109 metres west from its intersection with Cambridge Terrace and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 24.5 metres. This restriction is to apply at any time.
- (d) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the south side of Hereford Street commencing 133.5 metres west from its intersection with Cambridge Terrace and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 37 metres to the intersection with Montreal Street.
- 4. Approve the following parking restrictions on the west side of Cambridge Terrace:
 - (a) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the western side of Cambridge Terrace commencing at its intersection with Hereford Street and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 14 metres.
 - (b) That the parking of vehicles be restricted to a maximum period of 10 minutes on the western side of Cambridge Terrace commencing at a point 14 metres south from its intersection with Hereford Street and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 13 metres. This restriction is to apply at any time.
 - (c) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the western side of Cambridge Terrace commencing 27 metres south from its intersection with Hereford Street and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of six metres.