

Item 22.**Parking - Electric Vehicle (EV) Parking - Ross Street, Glebe****TRIM Container No.: 2025/341348****Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Forum review the reallocation of parking on the eastern side of Ross Street, Glebe between the points 18.6 metres and 30.6 metres (two car spaces) south of Wigram Lane as "4P 8am-8pm Electric Vehicles Only While Charging" and "No Parking Electric Vehicles Excepted While Charging All Other Times".

Forum Members for this Item

City of Sydney
Transport for NSW
NSW Police – Leichhardt PAC
Representative for the Member for Balmain

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

In August 2025, the City of Sydney consulted the community on a proposal to introduce dedicated on-street electric vehicle (EV) charging spaces on Ross Street, Glebe. The initial proposal identified two EV charging bays on the eastern side of Ross Street, north of Hereford Street, adjacent to electricity pole no. LE11738. This proposal was subsequently referred to the Local Pedestrian, Cycling, Traffic Calming and Transport Forum (LPCTCTF) for review at its meeting on 18 September 2025, where no issues were raised.

Following the Forum, the EV charging provider, EVX, advised that the location referenced in the proposal was incorrect. The correct location for the EV charging bays is in front of electricity pole no. LE11741. The City acknowledges this oversight and apologises to the community for any confusion or inconvenience caused.

Comments

Parking along the kerb space on the eastern side of Ross Street, Glebe between Hereford Street and Wigram Lane, where the parking changes are proposed is currently signposted as " 2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area G".

It is proposed to change parking in front of electric pole no. LE11741 (two parking spaces) to "4P 8am-8pm Electric Vehicles Only While Charging" and "No Parking Electric Vehicles Excepted While Charging All Other Times".

The proposed parking changes would allow only electric vehicles to park while charging. This would be permitted for up to four hours of parking between 8am and 8pm, seven days a week. After 8pm electric vehicles can park for longer periods only while charging.

The proposed EV charging spaces in Ross Street meets the following criteria:

- Support residents without access to off-street parking, or major off-street public electric vehicle charging facilities.
- Have limited direct impact on residential properties.
- The footpath adjacent to the parking space is sufficiently wide to ensure no impacts to pedestrians.
- Have no impacts to loading or mobility parking spaces.
- The Ausgrid electric pole is suitable to accommodate the electric vehicle chargers.
- Have adequate street and footpath lighting to support night time use.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 189 letters sent out with no responses received supporting the proposal and two responses opposing the proposal. A summary of the objections are outlined in the following table:

No.	Support / Objection / Feedback	Description of submissions	COS response
1.	Objection	• The submission objected to the proposal due to loss of on-street parking for residents. • There are dedicated EV charging spaces and EV owners in the area have EV chargers in their units. As such, on-	• The installation of these EV charging aligns with Action 20 of the <i>Electrification of Transport in the City Strategy and Action Plan</i>, which commits to trialling on-street EV charging infrastructure in areas where residents lack access to off-street parking or nearby public charging facilities. • Ross Street has been identified as one such location where on-street charging can help meet local

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		street EV chargers are not required.	demand and support equitable access to EV charging infrastructure. The trial is targeted to minimise impacts on general parking availability. The City will monitor usage and community feedback throughout the trial to ensure the infrastructure is appropriately balanced with local parking needs.
2.	Objection	- The submission enquired if the installed EV charger on Pole No. LE11741, would be removed if the City does not proceed with the proposal. - Requests that the EV parking restrictions to allow only residents with Area G parking permits to utilise the EV parking bays.	- If the City does not proceed with the proposal, we will advise the charging point operator to remove the EV charger. - The City is required to implement parking restrictions in accordance with Transport for NSW (TfNSW) guidelines. As Ross Street is a public road, introducing EV parking restrictions that allow parking exclusively for Area G resident permit holders is not permitted, as this would prevent other road users from accessing these spaces. - Action 20 of the <i>Electrification of Transport in the City Strategy and Action Plan</i>, which commits to trialling on-street EV charging infrastructure in areas where residents lack access to off-street parking or nearby public charging facilities. - The City will monitor usage and community feedback throughout the trial to ensure the infrastructure is appropriately balanced with local parking needs

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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