

Item 21.**Parking - Ticket Parking - Codrington and Shepherd Streets, Darlington**

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Recommendations

It is recommended that the Forum review the reallocation of parking in Darlington as follows:

- (A) On the western side of Codrington Street, south of Darlington Lane, between the points 9.8 metres and 23 metres (two car spaces) as "No Parking 8am-10.30pm Mon-Fri Buses Excepted 15 Minute Limit" and "4P Ticket 8am-10pm Sat-Sun & Public Holidays".
- (B) On the western side of Codrington Street, south of Darlington Lane, between the points 23 metres and 95.8 metres (12 car spaces) as "2P Ticket 8am-6pm Mon-Fri" and "4P Ticket 6-10pm Mon-Fri 8am-10pm Sat-Sun & Public Holidays";
- (C) On the eastern side of Codrington Street, north of Abercrombie Street, between the points 19.5 metres and 82 metres (10 car spaces) as "2P Ticket 8am-6pm Mon-Fri, 4P Ticket 6-10pm Mon-Fri 8am-10pm Sat-Sun & Public Holidays";
- (D) On the eastern side of Codrington Street, north of the car park, between the points 27.8 metres and 40.8 metres (two car spaces) as "No Parking 8am-10.30pm Mon-Fri, Buses Excepted 15 Minute Limit" and "4P Ticket 8am-10pm Sat-Sun & Public Holidays".

Forum Members for this Item

City of Sydney
Transport for NSW
NSW Police – South Sydney PAC and Inner West PAC
Representative for the Member for Newtown

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

The City of Sydney is proposing to introduce ticket parking in Codrington Street, Darlington.

The eastern and western sides in Codrington Street where the parking changes are proposed are currently a mix of "No Parking" and unrestricted parking. The street is located adjacent to Sydney University buildings and there are no residential properties in the street.

The City of Sydney's Neighbourhood On-Street Parking Policy states that in non-residential streets, appropriate parking controls should be implemented to encourage turnover of parking spaces and discourage commuter and long-term parking. Given that the streets surrounding Codrington Street are predominantly educational and recreational in nature, with parking demand generated largely by students, staff and visitors to Sydney University and nearby recreational facilities, unrestricted parking is considered the least appropriate form of parking control. Unrestricted parking facilitates commuter and long-term parking, provides little opportunity for parking turnover, and can encourage private vehicle use over more sustainable transport modes such as walking, cycling and public transport.

To better align parking management with the objectives of the Policy, and to improve parking availability for short-term users, it is proposed to introduce the following parking restrictions in Codrington Street: "2P Ticket, 8am-6pm, Monday to Friday" and "4P Ticket, 6pm-10pm, Monday to Friday, and 8am-10pm, Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays".

These controls are intended to increase parking turnover, improve access for visitors to the University and nearby recreational facilities, and reduce the incidence of all-day commuter parking.

Comments

The kerb space in Codrington Street, Darlington consist of a mix of "No Parking 8am-10.30pm Mon-Fri Buses Excepted 15 Minute Limit" and unrestricted parking.

The City is proposing to install "2P Ticket 8am-6pm Mon-Fri" and "4P Ticket 6pm-10pm Mon-Fri 8am-10pm Sat-Sun & Public Holidays" to improve parking turnover and improve parking opportunities for visitors.

There are no changes proposed along the "No Parking" restrictions for buses on weekdays and the ticket parking restrictions would be operational along this kerb space only on weekends.

The proposed parking changes would require any vehicle to pay for parking up to a maximum of two hours from 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday and four hours from 6pm to 10pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 10pm Sunday and Public holidays where the signs are installed.

The kerb spaces where the parking changes are proposed are not located adjacent to residential property frontages.

The City initially proposed implementing ticket parking on both Codrington Street and Shepherd Street. Following community consultation and a review of submissions received,

including objections from residents to the proposed ticket parking on Shepherd Street, the City has resolved to proceed with the proposal on Codrington Street only.

The ticket parking proposal for Shepherd Street will not be implemented, and the current parking arrangements will be retained.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 225 letters sent out with one response supporting the proposal and seven responses opposing the proposal and one providing a feedback.

Following consideration of the submissions received, the City amended the proposal and is proceeding with the proposed parking changes in Codrington Street only. The proposed changes in Shepherd Street will not proceed, and the existing parking arrangements will be retained.

No.	Support / Objection	Summary of Objection	COS Response
1	Objection	- The submission objects to the proposed ticket parking on Shepherd Street, noting that it would disadvantage residents and make parking more difficult due to existing demand from university students, staff, Seymour Centre and Carriageworks visitors. - The submission states that residents should not have to pay additional meter charges, particularly as they already pay rates and parking permit fees, and some residents rely on vehicles due to age or mobility needs. - The submission notes that Council-reserved parking spaces near the Activity Centre and Ivy Street appear to be underused while residents experience ongoing parking pressure.	- The City notes the objection regarding the potential impact of ticket parking on local residents and existing parking demand in Shepherd Street. - The City is no longer proceeding with the ticket parking proposal on Shepherd Street and the current parking arrangements in the street will be retained. - The existing unrestricted parking allows vehicles to remain parked for long periods, which reduces parking turnover and limits access to kerbside parking. The proposed ticket parking only applies to existing unrestricted parking areas and is intended to improve parking turnover and access for residents, visitors, businesses and other users in this high-demand area - The parking spaces reserved for Council vehicles near the Darlington Activity

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			Centre are used by City staff to facilitate and support activities at the centre. The comments regarding these spaces and the spaces in Ivy Street have been noted
2	Objection	- The submission objects to the proposed ticket parking in Codrington and Shepherd Streets, noting it would not be in the best interests of local residents and businesses in Darlington. - The submission raises concern that ticket parking would push students to park in nearby unrestricted streets, particularly Wilson Street, increasing parking pressure and congestion in narrow surrounding streets and lanes. - The submission supports changing unrestricted parking near the University of Sydney to 3P or 4P unticketed parking to improve turnover, but does not support ticket parking	- The City notes the objection regarding the potential impact of ticket parking on local residents, businesses and nearby streets. - The suggestion to introduce 4P parking without ticketing could encourage commuters into the area and reduce the availability of parking spaces for short –term visitors and will increase the level of non-compliance with time limits. - Ticket parking is intended to discourage long-stay parking and improve access to kerbside parking for residents, visitors, businesses and other users
3,4	Objection	The submission objects to the proposed parking changes in Codrington and Shepherd Streets, noting that the loss of all-day parking would impact residents who do	The City notes the objection regarding the potential impact of ticket parking on residents who do not qualify for parking permits, including safety, accessibility and equity concerns.

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		not qualify for parking permits. - The submission raises safety and equity concerns, particularly for women, carers, older residents and people with mobility limitations or disabilities who rely on nearby parking. - The submission requests that Council consider an exemption or permit pathway for affected residents before any changes are implemented	- Parking is at premium in this area, so the City encourages walking, cycling, car sharing and public transport where possible. - Ticket parking is intended to discourage long-stay parking, improve parking turnover and provide short-stay parking opportunities for residents, visitors, businesses and other users.
5	Objection	- The submission objects to the proposed ticket parking in Shepherd Street. - The submission raises concern that the proposal changes long-standing unrestricted parking to paid parking 7 days a week, including weekends and public holidays, when university-related parking demand is generally lower. - The submission requests a compromise, including limiting ticket parking to Monday to Friday, retaining some unrestricted parking, and providing dedicated motorcycle parking.	- The City notes the objection regarding ticket parking on Shepherd Street, including concerns about weekend parking, retaining unrestricted spaces and providing dedicated motorcycle parking. - Existing unrestricted parking allows vehicles to remain parked for long periods. Ticket parking is intended to discourage long-stay parking and improve access for residents, visitors, businesses and other users. - The City does not allocate motorcycle parking spaces for individual or exclusive all-day use. Motorcyclists may park in time-limited or ticket parking spaces free of charge, provided they comply with the posted time restrictions

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6	Objection	- The submission objects to the proposed ticket parking in Codrington and Shepherd Streets, noting that it may encourage more people to drive to the area rather than use public transport. - The submission raises concern about installing parking meters on narrow footpaths, potential litter from paper tickets, and the loss of limited unrestricted parking currently available in the area. - The submission suggests Council resources would be better spent on footpath improvements, rubbish bins and bike parking rather than ticket parking infrastructure	- The City notes the objection regarding the potential impact of ticket parking on travel behaviour, footpaths and existing unrestricted parking. - Demand for parking exceeds available kerbside space, and the City encourages walking, cycling, car sharing and public transport where possible. - Ticket parking is intended to discourage long-stay parking, improve turnover and provide short-stay parking opportunities for residents, visitors, businesses and other users.
7	Objection	- The submission objects to the proposed ticket parking, noting that parking demand is already critical across Wilson, Codrington and Shepherd Streets, including for residents with parking permits. - The submission raises concern that converting unrestricted parking to ticket parking may displace vehicles into nearby streets and	- The City notes the objection regarding existing parking demand and the potential displacement of vehicles into nearby streets. - Ticket parking is intended to discourage long-stay parking, improve turnover and provide short-stay parking opportunities for residents, visitors, businesses and other users. - The City will monitor the area following installation of

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		increase competition for remaining unrestricted spaces. The submission requests that the broader parking impacts on residents, students, staff, businesses, visitors and nearby facilities to be fully considered before the proposal proceeds	the proposed restrictions and evaluate any impacts on parking demand and surrounding streets.
8	Support	- The submission supports the proposed parking changes on Shepherd Street, noting that existing unrestricted parking is used for long-term parking and vehicle storage. - The submission considers that increased parking turnover would benefit students, tradespeople and the general amenity of the area. - The submission requests that dedicated motorcycle parking be considered near the corner of Shepherd Street and Ivy Street	- The City notes the support for the proposed ticket parking and the comments regarding long-term parking on Shepherd Street. - Ticket parking is intended to discourage long-stay parking, improve turnover and provide better access to kerbside parking for residents, visitors, businesses and other users. - The City does not allocate motorcycle parking spaces for individual or exclusive all-day use. Motorcyclists may park in time-limited or ticket parking spaces free of charge, provided they comply with the posted time restrictions.
9	Feedback	The submission raises concern that the unrestricted parking space on Ivy Street is not suitable for practical car parking but allows multiple motorcycles to park, resulting in noise	The City notes the concerns regarding long-term parking in Codrington and Shepherd Streets. This would be addressed as part of the proposal, as ticket parking is intended to increase parking turnover and improve access

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		and disturbance to nearby residents. - The submission also raises concern that larger vehicles occupy the unrestricted spaces for long periods, reducing parking turnover for local residents and visitors. - The submission requests that the unrestricted section be shortened to discourage motorcycle parking and improve residential amenity.	to kerbside parking for residents, visitors, businesses and other users. Regarding motorcycle parking, all road users are entitled to use kerbside parking spaces, whether driving a car or riding a motorcycle. Motorcyclists are currently catered for through the existing street parking arrangements and may park in any time-limited parking space, provided they comply with the signposted parking restrictions.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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