

**HUTT CITY COUNCIL****TRAFFIC SUBCOMMITTEE**

Report of a meeting held in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, 30 Laings Road,  
Lower Hutt on

**Monday 9 April 2018 commencing at 3.00pm**

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**PRESENT:** Cr MJ Cousins (Chair) Cr L Bridson  
Cr J Briggs Cr S Edwards  
Cr T Lewis Cr L Sutton

**APOLOGIES:** There were no apologies.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr D Simmons, Traffic Asset Manager  
Mr S Leal, Traffic Engineer  
Ms D Male, Committee Advisor

**PUBLIC BUSINESS****1. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments are recorded under the item to which they relate.

**3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**

There were no conflict of interest declarations.

**PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS**

In accordance with Standing Order 10.4, the Chair accorded precedence to item 4v) dealing with Brunswick Street - Proposed P120 Parking Restrictions and 4xiii) dealing with Woodvale Grove - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions.

The items are recorded in the order in which they were listed on the order paper.

#### 4. RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL - 22 May 2018

- a) Koraunui Stokes Valley Hub - Proposed P180 Electric Vehicle Parking Restriction (17/1777)

The Traffic Asset Manager elaborated on the report.

In response to a question from members, the Traffic Asset Manager advised that Council's Manager, Sustainability and Resilience was reviewing the demand for electric vehicle charging in Lower Hutt to plan ahead.

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Sutton/Cr Lewis) **Minute No. TRS 18201**

*"That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council approves the installation of a P180 Electric Vehicle Parking Restriction at Koraunui Stokes Valley Community Hub, 'Reserved for Electric Vehicles on charge only, for a maximum of 180 minutes at all times' as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

For the reason: there is an increasing number of EVs on the road and this is a key way that local councils can support this growth.

- b) Kaitawa Road - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions (18/178)

Members noted that the Eastbourne Community Board had endorsed the recommendation contained in the officer's report at its meeting held on 3 April 2018.

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Lewis/Cr Bridson) **Minute No. TRS 18202**

*"That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council approves the installation of No Stopping At All Times Restrictions at the intersection of Kaitawa Road and Waitohu Road, York Bay, as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

For the reasons: the proposed changes will improve the sight distance for vehicles exiting Waitohu Road onto Kaitawa Road; and the proposed changes will reduce the likelihood of vehicle conflict when approaching the intersection.

- i) Cambridge Terrace - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions (18/232)

The Traffic Asset Manager elaborated on the report.

In response to questions from members, the Traffic Asset Manager clarified the sight distances required for 50km/h roads and when a Give Way or Stop sign was required at a junction.

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Briggs/Cr Bridson) **Minute No. TRS 18203**  
*"That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council approves the installation of No Stopping At All Times Restrictions in Cambridge Terrace, Waiwhetu, as shown attached as Appendix 2 to the report."*

For the reasons: the proposed changes will improve the sight distance for vehicles exiting Grenville Street onto Cambridge Terrace and for vehicles approaching the intersection on Cambridge Terrace from the north; Option 2 (Appendix 2) provides a greater increase in sight distance than Option 1 (Appendix 1) for the loss of a single additional car parking space; and the proposed changes support the the road-space hierarchy contained in Council's Parking Policy 2017.

- d) Shepherd Grove - Proposed Change in Parking Restrictions (18/315)

The Traffic Asset Manager elaborated on the report.

In response to questions from members, the Traffic Asset Manager advised that although P5 parking was only used in exceptional circumstances, maximum turnover was required for that car park.

Members asked officers to review the parking in six months.

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Sutton/Cr Lewis) **Minute No. TRS 18204**  
*"That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council:*  
 (i) *approves the changing of Parking Restrictions in Shepherd Grove, Taita, as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report; and*  
 (ii) *asks officers to review parking in the area in six months."*

For the reasons that it will improve safety and amenity for parents dropping off and picking up their children at the kindergarten; and it will reduce the likelihood of motorists temporarily parking over nearby driveways.

- e) Brunswick Street - Proposed P120 Parking Restrictions (18/342)

Speaking under public comment, **Katelyn**, from Platinum Hair Studio, explained that they had no issues with parking in the area prior to the Kaikoura earthquake in November 2016 and the loss of parking at the Queensgate Shopping Centre. Also since Kiwibank had moved their office premises, their staff parked in the area from 8.00am to 5.30-6.00pm. Also the

local garage business could park vehicles for two to three weeks at a time. Parking had become an issue for the hair studio's customers, some of the customers were unable to walk 15 minutes to the studio. They had requested short term time restricted parks near their business for their customers.

In response to a question from members, Katelyn advised that they had four chairs at their business, with 20 to 30 customers throughout the day when the two stylists were working. When only one was working, there could be two to three chairs used by customers at one time.

Speaking under public comment, **Mr S Patel**, from Kings Grove Store, explained that in 2006 a similar parking issue had been raised and in a survey, 72% had supported the parking. For the recent survey on the parking, 78% supported the changes. Following the earthquake the number of parks in Lower Hutt had reduced, which had effected local businesses. The local garage business would leave vehicles parked for two to three weeks at a time. There were very few parks for the customers of the businesses in this area of Brunswick Street. Mr Patel requested that members respect the 78% surveyed and agree the time restricted parks.

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Edwards/Cr Briggs) **Minute No. TRS 18205**

*"That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council approves the installation of P120 Parking Restrictions, from Mondays to Fridays only, in Brunswick Street, Lower Hutt, as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

For the reasons: it will improve the level of service for local businesses, customers, residents and visitors; the majority of respondents are in support of the proposal; and it supports Council's Parking Policy 2017.

- f) Rutherford Street - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions (18/343)

The Traffic Engineer advised that local police had attended after an accident, although the accident had not been reported. He added that local business owners were in support of removing parks.

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Edwards/Cr Cousins) **Minute No. TRS 18206**

*"That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council approves the installation of No Stopping At All Times Restrictions in Rutherford Street, Lower Hutt, as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

For the reasons: the proposed restrictions would improve safety for the benefit of all road users; a majority of the directly affected businesses support the proposal; and the proposed restrictions support Council's Parking Policy 2017.

- g) Military Road - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions  
(18/365)

The Traffic Engineer elaborated on the report.

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Edwards/Cr Bridson) **Minute No. TRS 18207**  
*"That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council approves the installation of No Stopping At All Times Restrictions in Military Road, Boulcott, as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

For the reasons: the proposed restriction would improve visibility for motorists exiting two private properties, improving safety for the benefit of all road users; the proposed restriction is supported by the four directly affected properties; there is sufficient parking available in the area; and the proposed restriction supports Council's Traffic Bylaw 2017.

- h) The Esplanade - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions  
(18/366)

Members noted that the Petone Community Board had endorsed the recommendation contained in the officer's report at its meeting held on 4 April 2018. The Board also supported that the dashed lines at the east side of the Boating Club would not be immediately put in place.

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Cousins/Cr Lewis) **Minute No. TRS 18208**  
*"That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council:*

- (i) approves the installation of No Stopping At All Times Restrictions on The Esplanade, Petone, as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report;*
- (ii) approves the installation of No Parking Zones and No Stopping At All Times Restrictions in the off street parking areas adjacent to The Esplanade, Petone, as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report; and*
- (iii) approves that the dashed lines to the east of the Boating Club are not immediately installed."*

For the reasons: the proposed changes will improve the road safety level of service for all road users; the proposed changes would improve the level of service for accessibility for vehicles accessing the carparks and club facilities; the proposed changes are supported by the affected clubs; and the proposed changes support Council's Parking Policy 2017.

- i) High Street (559) - Proposed P60 Parking Restrictions (18/367)

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Edwards/Cr Briggs) **Minute No. TRS 18209**

*“That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council approves the installation of P60 Parking Restrictions, from Mondays to Fridays only, in High Street, Lower Hutt, as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report.”*

For the reasons: it will improve the level of service for local businesses, customers, residents and visitors; It supports Council’s Parking Policy 2017; and all the respondents supported the proposal.

- j) High Street (Taita Station) - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions (18/369)

In response to a question from members, the Traffic Asset Manager advised that due to sight restriction issues raised, officers would conduct a review of the road markings in this area.

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Sutton/Cr Bridson) **Minute No. TRS 18210**

*“That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council approves the installation of No Stopping At All Times Restrictions in High Street, Taita, as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report.”*

For the reasons: the proposed measures will improve safety for the benefit of all road users; the proposed measures would meet the minimum recommended sight distance requirements; and the proposal does not result in the loss of any existing parking spaces.

- kii ) Lees Grove - Proposed No Stopping Restrictions (18/372)

The Traffic Asset Manager elaborated on the report.

Members noted that the Wainuiomata Community Board had endorsed the recommendation contained in the officer’s report at its meeting held on 5 April 2018. The Board supported refreshing the painting of the yellow lines and kea crossing markers in Lees Grove. The Board also asked officers to work with the Council’s Parks and Gardens Division to consider the installation of a footpath on the grassed area near the alternative entrance to Fernlea Primary School.

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Briggs/Cr Bridson) **Minute No. TRS 18211**

*"That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council:*

- (i) approves the installation of No Stopping Restrictions, from 8:30am to 9:30am and 2:30pm to 3:30pm on school days only, in Lees Grove, Wainuiomata, as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report; and*
- (ii) notes that the Wainuiomata Community Board:*
  - (a) supported the refreshing the painting of the yellow lines and kea crossing markers in Lees Grove; and*
  - (b) asked officers to work with the Parks and Gardens Division to consider the installation of a footpath on the grassed area near the alternative entrance to Fernlea Primary School."*

For the reasons: the proposed measures would improve the levels of service for road safety and accessibility in the vicinity of the school entrance for the benefit of all road users; the proposed restrictions are supported by a majority of the directly affected residents; and the proposed restrictions support Council's Parking Policy 2017 by implementing a No Stopping zone only during the hours when the problem occurs and allowing residential parking outside of those hours.

- l) Memorial Park (off Bracken Street) - P180 Parking Restrictions (18/375)

The Traffic Asset Manager elaborated on the report.

Members noted that the Petone Community Board endorsed the recommendation contained in the officer's report at its meeting held on 4 April 2018.

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Lewis/Cr Sutton) **Minute No. TRS 18212**

*"That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council retrospectively resolve the P180 Parking Restrictions from 8:00am to 6:00pm, Mondays to Fridays only, in Memorial Park, Bracken Street, Petone, as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

For the reason that parking restrictions need to be formally resolved by Council so they can be enforced.

- m) Woodvale Grove - Proposed No Stopping At All Times Restrictions (18/397)

Speaking under public comment, **Mr M and Mrs A Smith**, said Woodvale Grove was a very winding, narrow road. Outside numbers 1 and 33 was a blind bend, which was dangerous, as it was on a very steep hill. An emergency vehicle had struggled to get up the hill. Vehicles travelled on the wrong side of the road on the blind bend, which was dangerous. A number of properties in the Grove had become rentals, with an increase in the number of vehicles parking in the Grove.

In response to questions from members, Mrs Smith said that some of the properties in the Grove had off street parking, but it was quite narrow with only space for one vehicle. Also, two vehicles could park on the wide shoulder on the bend. Mrs Smith further advised that only one vehicle regularly parked in the parks at the top of the Grove, she added the new lighting installed was very good, it was only a 20 second walk from the parks at the top to the properties lower down the Grove.

The Traffic Asset Manager clarified the legislation and enforcement of parking on a bend.

**RECOMMENDED:** (Cr Briggs/Cr Bridson) **Minute No. TRS 18213**  
*"That the Traffic Subcommittee recommends that Council approves the installation of No Stopping At All Times Restrictions in Woodvale Grove, Fairfield, as shown attached as Appendix 1 to the report."*

For the reasons: the proposed restrictions would: improve safety within the street for the benefit of all road users; promote compliance with the Land Transport (Road User) Rule 2004; and support Council's Parking Policy 2017. The proposed restrictions are supported by the local residents who responded to the consultation documents.

## 5. QUESTIONS

Cr Bridson, with leave of the Chair, raised a question asking for an update on Waddington Drive.

The Traffic Asset Manager advised that the matter would be reported to Council shortly.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 3.45pm.

Cr MJ Cousins  
CHAIR

**CONFIRMED as a true and correct record**  
**Dated this 22nd day of May 2018**