

Submission in relation to Draft Changes to Planning Rules for Outdoor Advertising in SEP64

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission. This is a personal submission and I request confidentiality regarding publication of my name.

While I support the draft changes I believe they do not go far enough , as amending SEP64 gives the opportunity to include additional aspects that involve trailer parking and its impact on safety on both major roads and even more, on residential thoroughfares. The banning of long term trailer parking in street locations, especially in the proximity of railway stations and shopping precincts has a far wider ramification than positively impacting the Governments overall strategy to increase utilisation of public transport . This includes distraction of drivers ,limiting of visibility in narrow suburban streets as well as inhibiting access to driveways and the two way flow of traffic.

Traffic density has been put under increased pressure with the increase in population in many suburban areas and the safety of drivers and pedestrians using the roads should be paramount.

In my street , which is close walking distance from a railway station, there are six vehicles, all of which are understood to be owned by the same person.Two of these are large trailers and all have been parked in the same position for nearly a year. The road is narrow and they slow down the traffic going both ways. They inhibit safety when reversing from a driveway and they are taking up parking spaces that could be used by commuters . It appears local Council is powerless under the current rules to have them moved.

Government needs to address the issue in its greater context and extend the rules to give Councils the authority to manage parking restrictions for the benefit of both commuters and residents