



WARRINGAH
COUNCIL

MINUTES

QUEENSCLIFF PARKING PUBLIC MEETING

held at Council Chambers, Civic Centre, Dee Why on

WEDNESDAY 30 APRIL 2014

(2014/091344)



**Minutes of a Queenscliff Parking Public Meeting
held on Wednesday 30 April 2014
at Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Dee Why
Commencing at 6:00pm**

ATTENDANCE:

Councillors

Councillor Jose Menano-Pires
Councillor Pat Daley
Councillor Sue Heins

Members of Public

Mr Damian Korda
Ms Kim Irvine
Mr Henry Harding
Mr Chris Liell-Cock
Mr Colin McCann
Mr Philip Wagner
Ms Helga Wagner
Mr David Addington

Mr Peter Warr
Mr David O'Donell
Ms Beverley Pride
P and J Evans
Ms Hazel Sheperd
Ms Michelle Harenstein
Mr Paul Harenstein

Council Staff

Group Manager Roads Traffic and Waste
Manager Traffic and Road Safety
Traffic Engineer
Traffic Engineer
Traffic Engineer
Business Development Manager RTW

Mr Boris Bolgoff
Mr Joe Zappavigna
Ms Rezvan Saket
Mr Sunny Jo
Mr Ken Hind
Ms Tonya Burrowes

1.0 PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

A presentation was provided on the previous work undertaken by Warringah Council in relation to Queenscliff parking. This work commenced in 2009, when Council resolved to undertake a parking study of the Queenscliff area at its Council meeting on 11 August 2009.

The URaP Study was undertaken in 2010 and included an investigation of parking occupancy and a resident survey with 400 responses. The results of this study were considered by Council at its meeting of 23 March 2010, and Council resolved to undertake further consultation with residents in regards to potential options for on-street parking in Queenscliff.

In 2010, a Parking Restriction Options Survey was undertaken with residents which included three options for parking restrictions and received over 400 responses. The results of this survey were discussed at the meeting and summary copies provided to attendees.

Following discussions of Council's previous work, working group nominations were reviewed and members of the Working Group confirmed. The working group's role will be to provide a broad range of community perspectives into the development of solutions to the on street parking problems of Queenscliff. The group's activities will complement a broader community engagement process that will be undertaken by Council. The Working Group will meet on Monday 5 May 2014.

Participants had a general discussion about the issues affecting parking in Queenscliff which included the introduction of the Manly Council resident parking scheme, weekend and overnight visitors, multiple occupants in units, commuters, development and boat trailers. There were varying views on the degree of the parking problem.

The Roads and Maritime Service (RMS) Resident Parking Permit Guidelines were discussed and the Working Group were invited to reviews these guidelines and advise Council on any areas they would like Council to discuss further with the RMS.

A number of specific locations were suggested where potential additional parking spaces require further investigation. These suggestions will be reviewed by the Working Group and Council. These suggestions included:

- Greycliffe Street
- Aitken Avenue
- Council reserve that runs along Queenscliff Road

2.0 Questions and Council Responses

Question:

There was a previous Internal Ombudsman Report on Parking Study at Queenscliff. Can this Internal Ombudsman Report be placed on Council website?

Council Response:

The request was noted for a direct response back to the resident.

Question:

I disagree with the data regarding the number of parking spaces identified in the UraP Study area at particular property locations and I believe there is an over estimation of available spaces.

Council Response:

Where Council have been notified of specific issues relating to specific property locations, Council will consider this feedback. If any parking scheme were to be implemented, further calculations and assessments would be required.

Question:

There are 14 bus stops within Queenscliff and 2 of the bus stops are within close proximity of each other. Is there an option to reduce the number of bus stops and who has the final say in relation to bus stop reviews, State Transit Authority (STA) or Council?

Council Response:

This State Transit Authority determines if a bus stop is required and at this point they do not support the removal of any bus stops in the area. Council also does not support a reduction in public transport services.

Question:

What is a "Kerb Blister" and how might it assist in providing additional car spaces?

Council Response:

A Kerb Blister is a section of the kerb that is altered to assist busses to pull over. It effectively shortens the required bus zone. The Road and Maritime Service (RMS) do not support the use of kerb blisters at this stage. However, there are anomalies and there are similar system in Chatswood and Manly that would have been considered on a case by case basis.

Question:

Has Council undertaken reviews of what other Councils have implemented in other areas?

Council Response:

Yes. Council has undertaken studies into what other Councils have undertaken in other areas and how they comply or don't comply with the Roads and Maritime Services Resident Parking Permit Guidelines. This information will be made available to the Working Group.

Question:

What are driveway delineation lines and what are the options for line marking of parking spaces?

Council Response:

Driveway delineation lines are only permissible where there is enough room for a vehicle to legally park. Residents can apply to have driveway delineation lines marked in front of their driveway, however, there is a cost to the applicant for this service. It is illegal for any vehicle to park in front of a driveway regardless of line marking.

Question:

The data contained within the URaP report was produced in 2010 and some participants felt that parking had become worse since this time.

Council Response:

If any parking scheme were to be implement further calculations and assessments would be required.

Question:

Manly Council's parking scheme may not comply with the Roads and Maritime Services parking guidelines, why is this so and could someone from Manly Council be invited to address the working group to discuss this issue?

Council Response:

Warringah Council has written to the Roads and Maritime Services seeking their advice on their parking scheme guidelines and the compliance of the Manly Council resident parking scheme. Warringah Council is yet to receive a response from the RMS on this issue.

Warringah Council's position is that they will not implement a parking scheme that does not comply with the mandatory guidelines. The mandatory guidelines state "the number of permits to be issued for an area should not exceed the number of available on-street parking spaces in the area" amongst other requirements.

Question:

What is the law in relation to trailer parking on public roads and are trailers permitted to park under a residents parking scheme?

Council Response:

Registered trailers are permitted to park on a public road provided they comply with all parking restrictions specific to the locations. The RMS Guidelines do not allow trailers to be included in a resident parking scheme. If Council implemented a resident parking scheme in accordance with the RMS Guidelines, trailers would be restricted to any parking time limits implemented under the scheme.