

PROPOSED TRAFFIC RESOLUTION

Reference Number: TR 107-17

Location: Rugby Street, Mount Cook.

Proposal: Removal of one P10 car park and the installation of no stopping lines.

Information:

Rugby Street is part of the Basin Reserve road network which is a key link between Wellington's eastern and southern suburbs and the city centre. It is part of State Highway One and is very heavily trafficked. The significant traffic volumes, combined with different types of road users (e.g. buses and bikes), moving at different speeds and interacting with a parked vehicle often results in efficiency and safety issues.

This report seeks to improve safety and traffic flow on Rugby Street between Dufferin Street and Adelaide Road by removing one P10 carpark. This will allow for smoother flow for traffic making a left turn onto Adelaide Road and provide more space for people on bikes who choose to use this route.

Twelve hours of video footage over a weekday and a weekend day in early 2017 was analysed. The following observations were made:

- A large volume of traffic on the Rugby Street approach to the Adelaide Road traffic lights made a late left turn into Adelaide Road due to the presence of a car parked adjacent to 27 Rugby Street. A large number of vehicles were observed straddling the lane lines when making this manoeuvre which caused some blocking of the Basin Reserve gyratory.
- People on bikes were forced to take the lane past the parked car, exposing them to high volumes of fast moving traffic (figure 1).



Figure 1. Cyclist/Vehicle conflict past parking space on Rugby Street.

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- Some cyclists chose to avoid the vehicle conflict and rode illegally along the footpath from Dufferin Street to Adelaide Road resulting in conflict with pedestrians.
- The car park was occupied 14% of the time between 10:30am - 5:30pm on a Wednesday, and 54% of the time between 11:00am – 4:00pm on a Sunday. This shows the car park is not well used during the week, however experiencing higher demand over the weekend.

The removal of the car park will significantly increase the usable carriageway width which will help to improve efficiency and safety for all road users, particularly those making the left turn onto Adelaide Road. Alternative P10 car parking spaces are available within 14 metres of this location.

The NZ Transport Agency supports this proposal.

Key dates:

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| 1) Advertisement in the Dominion Post Newspaper | 25 July 2017 |
| 2) Feedback period closes. | 11 August 2017 |
| 3) Report sent to City Strategy Committee for approval. | 14 September 2017 |
| 4) Feedback may result in further consultation or amendment as appropriate. | |

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Legal Description:

Delete from Schedule A (P10) of the Traffic Restrictions Schedule

<i>Rugby Street</i>	<i>P10</i>	<i>South side, remove all parking restrictions commencing from its intersection with Adelaide Road extending in an easterly direction following the southern kerb line for 52 metres.</i>
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Add to Schedule D (No Stopping, At All Times) of the Traffic Restrictions Schedule

<i>Rugby Street</i>	<i>No Stopping</i>	<i>South side, commencing from its intersection with Adelaide Road extending in an easterly direction following the southern kerb line for 52 metres.</i>
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Rugby Street-Mount Cook

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