

Wellington Botanic Garden/Anderson Park/ Bolton Street Memorial Park TR115/10  
 Pay & Display  
 Summary of Submissions

Submitter	Address	Submission	Would like to present	Agree with proposal
<p><b>1. Malick Kudmany</b>  individual</p>	<p>4/318 Tinakori Road Thorndon Wellington</p> <p>malick.kudmany@treasury.govt.nz</p>	<p>1. I fail to see the reasoning behind why this change so required other than possibly an economic argument. I would welcome someone taking the time out to try and convince me any other argument existed. If the current arrangements are to be amended regardless then what allowances are to be made for regular users of the sports facilities at Anderson Park (touch rugby and cricket)?</p> <p>2. So cricketers are being singled out because their games takes longer?</p> <p>At \$2 this amounts to a tax on cricketers because, due to the size of their baggage, they need to park close to the facility and will basically regard the \$6 a game as an inconvenience.</p> <p>Has the council also factored in the cost to ACC of the injuries that will be sustained by cricketers hauling heavy kitbags up the slope on which Anderson Park is located?</p> <p>How logical is it to provide a facility for a game that takes all day and yet not provide parking?</p> <p>3. I don't expect them to cut any ice.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>No</p>

		It appears a decision has been made as from your earlier comments. None of my earlier questions have been answered such as: possible ACC claims, an understanding of the game of cricket and the evaluation of a balanced solution.		
<b>2. Andrew Dunford</b>  On behalf of  Wellington Collegians Junior Cricket Club	177 Orangi Kaupapa Road  Northland  Wellington  andrew.dunford@paradise.net.nz	I support the enforcement of P120 limits but feel it should be possible to enforce the time limit without having to implement Pay & Display.  I would support a modified proposal of Pay & Display on WEEKENDS ONLY but feel it is unnecessary on week days.  In my experience the majority of Anderson Park users do not stay for longer than 120 minutes on weekdays. It seems completely unnecessary to implement the proposed restriction on Mondays to Fridays when this is essentially a weekend problem.  I believe it is unreasonable to implement Pay & Display in an area that is not in the central city and which has no other Pay & Display zones surrounding it.	No	No
<b>3. Cheryl Wilson</b>  individual	5A Tralee Place Johnsonville Wellington  cheryl.wilson@tec.govt.nz	Making this pay and display (metered) parking will add to the costs of parents of children playing cricket on Saturdays and the costs of practicing during the week and will have no effect on the amounts of people parking there - the majority of people parking there are there because they have children playing/practicing cricket. People	Yes	No

		who use the cafe tend to have walked there as they are out walking in the botanic gardens, or are using the cafe while their children play cricket, so this proposal will have no beneficial spin off for the cafe and could actually have a detrimental affect on coffee sales at the cafe - since parents will have to use their coffee money to pay for parking.		
<b>4. Daniel Fraser</b>  individual	4/53 Dominion Park St  Johnsonville Wellington  daniel.fraser@cardno.co.nz	Whilst the limitations to parking is good in part, Anderson Park is used as cricket facility on afternoons/evenings during the week and all day the weekend. I would like to see the pay and display limited to 4pm Mon-Fri to allow the use of training facilities for all members at the club. Also all day parks be made available around the club rooms for management and officials to facilitate the running of the clubrooms. I note that the parks around the botanic gardens are intended for use of those who enjoy the facilities and making of the concessions I have listed above adheres to this ideal. I also note that as a club, cricketers pay additional contributions to the Council for the use of the Anderson Park facilities, and as such deserve a use of parking facilities directly around the clubrooms.	No	No
<b>5. Grant Richardson/John Chandler</b>  Wellington Collegians	12 Bank Rd Thorndon Wellington  grant@thelanes.co.nz	1. I am out of the country from 23rd to 1st Nov but wish to present our case. This will have a huge impact on both our volunteer coaches and the parents supporting their kids and a	Yes (x2)	No

Junior Cricket Club		better workable solution found. 2. See <b>Attachment 1</b>		
<b>6. Jonathan Osbourne</b>  Individual	3/56 Kelburn Parade Kelburn Wellington  jonathanblairosborne@gmail.com	As a member of the Wellington Collegians Cricket Club I am strongly opposed to the proposals, which would force players - both junior and senior - to park far away from the clubrooms and training facilities.  There are safety issues to consider, as junior and senior members will be forced to carry cumbersome gear bags across the busy Tinakori Rd during the peak traffic times as they travel to their training on weekday evenings. Additionally, on Saturdays, players and parents will be forced to park far away from the cricket fields. This will only discourage participation in sports, both summer and winter, to the further detriment of our society.  At the very least, parking restrictions should be limited to 4pm on weekdays to allow cars to be parked nearby while training takes place. Specific parking needs to be created to cater for players vehicles for weekend matches.	No	No
<b>7. Mark Hargreaves</b>  individual	26 Wade Street  Wadestown  Wellington	The parking restrictions that are currently in place are appropriate without resorting to pay and display.  Pay and display will only disincentivise any parkers (including short term parkers) from parking in the spaces provided and will clog up Kinross, Bolton and Tinakori roads even	No	No

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<b>8. Alan Orpin</b>  Wellington Collegians Cricket Club	21 Fortunatus St  Brooklyn Wellington  alan.orpin@clear.net.nz	<p>The Wellington Collegians Cricket Club (and its predecessor, The Wellington Cricket Club) has been part of the landscape at Anderson Park and the Botanic Gardens for over 100 years. As such, the use of the cricket ground by our members and Wellington cricketers is longstanding and should be reflected in any proposed changes to the surrounding infrastructure. Cricket players, parents, and supporters are predetermined users of the park but whose parking requirements are not accommodated in the proposed changes. The current alternatives of Bolton St or Tinakori Rd are busy and dangerous thoroughfares, and there is no guarantee that parking there will change in the near future in response to this demand. Congestion will merely be shifted to potentially more dangerous locations. Public transport options are also limited due to the amount of gear carried by players. We also note that the Club pays substantial costs directly for the use of the ground through affiliation fees and council levees. Most other users of Anderson Park do not, including visitors to the Botanic Gardens.</p> <p>Any change should be equitable and fair, and acknowledge the key stakeholders that pay to use the facilities. Collegians will be disadvantaged because of its CBD location and the long duration (&gt;2hrs) of the game of cricket. How does the Council intend to cater for players and officials that the Council (through Cricket Wellington) have</p>	No	No

		<p>scheduled to play at Anderson Park? Moreover, how does that treatment compare to such arrangements at other grounds e.g. Kelburn, Kilbirnie and Karori parks?</p> <p>Collegians acknowledges the pressure on parking space but requests the following concessions: (1) Pay &amp; Display parking be limited to 4:00 pm to accommodate evening training over the summer, particularly for the safety of Juniors and their parents; (2) parks at the base of our Clubrooms be reserved exclusively for Collegians Clubroom staff and officials who are required by Council bylaws to be onsite for extended periods; and (3) some provision be made for all day parking on game days through display of a limited number of Club concession permits.</p>		
<p><b>9. Gwenda Sutton</b>  Individual</p>	<p>12c/186 The Terrace Lambton Wellington</p> <p>gwenda.s@ihug.co.nz</p>	<p>1. I understand the need to restrict the time parking spaces are occupied.</p> <p>I propose that the time limit should not apply to garden guides working in the rose garden to welcome tourists and provide information when cruise ships are in port.</p> <p>I am willing to appear in person to answer questions.</p> <p>2. I think that there should be some card which could state that the parking time in the gardens is not limited to 2 hours when the car is parked by someone on duty</p> <p>Since a recent fall near the the holly hedge I</p>	Yes	No

		am less mobile but still able to welcome visitors and provide information		
<b>10. Scott Moran</b>  Individual	64 Majoribanks Street  Mt Victoria  Wellington  s.moran@duncancotter ill.com	Particularly on Saturday, having visiting parents of junior cricketers trying to find car parks in Kelburn and Thorndon will result in congestion at peak times on those roads is a serious safety issue - it is hard enough as it at the moment. Suggestions to still achieve some of the goals of the policy: -Exclude Saturday morning and finish the applicable time to 4pm on Weekdays. -Increase disabled parking spaces	No	No
<b>11. Pat van Erpers Roijaards</b>  Friends of Wellington Botanic Garden	367 Muritai Rd Eastbourne 5013 Lower Hutt	I'm a retiree and give up my time to be a volunteer/guide in the rose garden. I am there for several hours at a time, and to have metered parking would cost me a lot, not to mention the inconvenience of having to go and renew the parking meter after 2 hours. This is not fair and there should be special areas to park for volunteers or at least a free coupon for them to park. My main issue is finding a car park as walking long distance is not easy. The secondary issue is the paying for the carpark. This giving of my time is on a regular basis. Could you please give serious consideration to my submission as it not only affects me but a number of others giving their time. It would be a shame to lose this valuable help because of this proposal. The work we do is a help and appreciated by the public.	No	No

		thankyou for your time of reading this submission.		
<b>12. Christopher Berry</b> individual	2 Jasmine Grove Maungaraki Lower Hutt	The proposed changes will have a massively negative impact on Wellington Collegian players, club members and parents. I am a member of the Collegians cricket club	No	No
<b>13. Peter Murphy</b> individual	26 Biddle Crescent Taita Lower Hutt  peterl.murphy@xtra.co.nz	I am regular attendee of botanic walks and lunchtime concerts with friends. Attend wgtm cafes after. We intend to attend hutt concerts if charges apply(an pensioner).If policing present situation is a problem, how come policing metered parking is not? Is the proposed solution about revenue collection,as you are commonly accused of??	No	No
<b>14. Nicola Nelson</b> individual	140 Campbell Street Karori Wellington	(No submission commentary text received)	No	No
<b>15. Terence Brandon</b> individual	9 Wesley Rd Kelburn Wellington	Apart from being a local resident I am also a member of The Friends of Botanic Gardens and on the committee of the Friends of the Bolton Street Memorial Park. I agree with the 2 hour time restrictions but strongly object to the proposal to install meters or pay and display. Living close to the gardens I do not often use the parking. My wife and I however occasionally return from shopping etc at about morning tea or lunch time. We then tend to stop off in the gardens to have a cup of coffee or lunch at the cafe. We have never had difficulty in getting a park. If we	No	No

		<p>were required to pay for the parking we would very likely carry on home and the cafe would miss out on our custom.</p> <p>We also quite often meet our son and his family to have a coffee and take the children to the playground. It is unlikely that they would park in the grounds if they had to pay when in the street was free.</p> <p>I strongly feel that the imposition of parking meters would discourage people from visiting our wonderful asset.</p> <p>Basically I see no need for any changes apart from possibly putting up more notices.</p>		
<p><b>16. David Boldt</b></p> <p>Wellington Collegians Cricket Club</p>	<p>82 Northland Road Northland Wellington</p> <p>boldt@paradise.net.nz</p>	<p>I adopt the written submission already made by the Wellington Collegians Club. I am the chairman of the club, and would like the opportunity to speak to our submission in that capacity.</p>	Yes	No
<p><b>17. Susan Stacey</b></p> <p>individual</p>	<p>3B Upland Road Kelburn Wellington</p> <p>susandstacey0105@yahoo.co.nz</p>	<p>Due to heavy traffic around this part of Upland Road, residents do have a difficult time finding carparks particularly during the day. As you may be aware there are ten medical practitioners in this area. I believe we need to look at structuring parking for the future in a different way. If two or three of the current Skyline carparks could be made available for residents parking this would alleviate the congestion on Upland Road itself particularly during the day. It would be absurd for residents to have to use their cars and further clog up the traffic, due to no residents parks being available on Upland Road.</p>	Yes	No

		<p>I appreciate that this is not what you are looking at and the consideration of meters does have merit. However as the Skyline Carpark is empty a lot of the time more revenue could be obtained by more residents purchasing Residents parking Permits.</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to put forward my views</p>		
<p><b>18. Sharon Ludford</b> individual</p>	<p>26A Upland Road Kelburn WELLINGTON URBAN</p> <p>sharonludford@gmail.com</p>	<p>I am concerned that a flow of effect of metered parking will be that nearby residents parking will be at a premium</p>	No	No
<p><b>19. Stuart Brown</b> individual</p>	<p>26A Upland Road Kelburn WELLINGTON URBAN</p> <p>Email: stuartbrownvc@gmail.com</p>	<p>No comment text received</p>	No	No
<p><b>20. Bill Viggers</b> individual</p>	<p>23 Ngaio Road Kelburn Wellington</p>	<p>There should be two or three residents parks allocated in the skyline carpark to allow elderly residents or families with young children to easily visit one of the nearby doctors surgeries as the allocated parks are not always available.</p>	No	Yes

<b>21. John Bowers</b>  individual	82 Beazley Ave Paparangi Wellington 6037  jjbowers27@hotmail.com	While I think that the revenue going to the gardens is a good thing, I feel that you are going to deter people from visiting gardens, not only by having to pay, but it is not always known how long a visit is going to be on arrival, only after sometime there: until it is seen what is of interest on that visit. The experience is not going to be enjoyable if one is always worried about time constraints! Afterall, going to the gardens is a leisure activity. Putting in metered parking sounds like a money grab. Why don't you just police the present situation, as you'd have to do if proposal is adopted anyway? Because of points noted above, some lee-way should be given, as it sometimes takes more than 2 hours.	Yes	No
<b>22. Paula Warren</b>  Living Streets Wellington	Flat 2, 1 Wesley Road Kelburn Wellington  pwarren58@yahoo.co.nz	However, we would also like to see the issue of pedestrian routes in the Rose Garden/Anderson Park/Cemetary part of the gardens addressed at the same time. This is a major route not only for those using the gardens, but also for commuters. There are a range of problems that need to be addressed urgently:  1. Lack of signposting to help visitors find the gardens through the adjacent walkways and streets. It has been previously suggested that stencilled routes be used, and councillors appeared to agree this was a good idea. But this idea has not yet been picked up and implemented. It would	Yes	No

		<p>provide a very cheap and effective way to stop visitors getting lost in the Terrace/Kelburn area.</p> <p>2. The footpath between the steps down to Tinakori and the rosegardens is too narrow. Parking should be removed from there to allow it to be widened.</p> <p>3. Routes from Salamanca to the cemetery need to be improved to provide commuting walkers with more direct routes.</p>		
<p><b>23. Brian Dickinson</b>  Cricket Wellington Incorporated</p>	<p>Basin reserve Rugby Street Wellington  b.dickenson@firebirds.co.nz</p>	<p>See <b>attachment 2</b></p>	No	No
<p><b>24. Susan Batley</b>  individual</p>	<p>27 Putnam St Northland Wellington 6012  sue.batley@freeuk.com</p>	<p>I am a member of the Friends of the Wellington Botanic Garden. Whilst I endorse the enforcement of the 120 minute parking limit at the Lady Norwood Rose Garden, and the no parking on yellow lines rule, I am opposed to the introduction of pay and display parking in this area. From my perspective, it goes against the spirit in which the gardens were conceived and made available free of charge to the citizens of Wellington and numerous other visitors. Although paid parking may seem attractive as a means of recouping the cost of enforcement, I suggest its introduction at this focal point of the garden would discourage regular and potential users and would diminish the overall experience of</p>	Yes	No

		visiting one of the city's most popular attractions and one that is still free.		
<b>25. Priscilla Williams</b> individual	14 Kinross Street Kelburn Wellington 6012  Priscilla.williams@paradise.net.nz	See <b>attachment 3</b>	Yes	No
<b>26. Kate Fortune</b> Friends of Bolton Street Memorial Park	PO Box 2336 Wellington  Kate.fortune@paradise.net.nz	See <b>attachment 4</b>	No	No
<b>27. Hamish McConnochie</b> individual	46 Tinakori Rd Thorndon Wellington  hamishmconnochie@gmail.com	<p>First of all, I may have not followed the proposals properly, so please disregard this submission if it is in reply to a non-existent change.</p> <p>Whilst I must applaud the council for taking proactive steps to solve the problem of people abusing the current parking situation, I feel the proposed changes are counterproductive and unnecessary.</p> <p>In regards to the changes being unnecessary, if it is a known problem of people overstaying the length in parking time, then the council should direct ParkWise stay to include this on their routes. I would imagine they already patrol the nearby Tinakori Road shops, which has free, 60 minute parking spaces, along with the nearby coupon parking areas. Logic tells me that people are only abusing the current situation due to the lack of ticketing occurring, rather than having to pay for pay and display parking.</p>	Yes	No

		<p>If, for whatever reason, the parking is outside of the council's jurisdiction, then surely timed parking, as per the Thorndon shops would be a better step, as opposed to pay and display parking.</p> <p>I feel that the council needs to take into account all those who use the park and this has not been done. I have, in years gone by, played cricket at this ground. I realise this may no longer be the case and if so, please ignore this paragraph. Cricket takes a lot longer than 120 minutes to play and requires a lot of equipment. It seems unjust that players will need to pay to play at this ground on a Saturday morning. Surely a solution similar to Kelburn Park could be more suitable, where people are entitled to park there, provided they are using the park.</p> <p>As such, timed parking should operate 8 am - 6 pm Monday to Friday and be monitored by ParkWise.</p>		
<p><b>28. Dean Scott</b></p> <p>Amalgamated Workers Union of New Zealand</p>	<p>2 Pretoria St Lower Hutt Wellington</p> <p>dean@cawu.org.nz</p>	<p>The Parks and Gardens Business Unit is proposing to make all parking within the Botanic Gardens metered with a two hour limit. An unintended (but foreseen) consequence of this is that Parks dept staff employed within the Rose Gardens, Begonia House and Lower Gardens Area will no longer be able to park their vehicles at work. Historically staff have been permitted to park in this area in acknowledgement of the lack of long term parking available in the vicinity.</p>	Yes	No

		<p>Management did not consult on this change, nor have they acknowledged the negative impact on staff. The immediate manager sees no need to consult on this issue or a need for discussion.</p> <p>The Union has approached management with several suggestions to address this issue all have been refused.</p> <p>We acknowledge that public transport is the desired option, but seek recognition that this is not always a practical solution.</p> <p>Possible solutions we suggest are;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. the provision of staff car parks ( as supplied to the shop staff)</li> <li>2. a dispensation method such as staff car tags/ stickers</li> <li>3. an alternative car parking site as identified by staff</li> <li>4. a recognition within staff remuneration, via allowance or other means, of the extra cost being placed upon them</li> <li>5. any other method that will alleviate the cost burden being imposed upon our members.</li> </ol> <p>A majority of the staff we represent are paid at below the New Zealand average wage (as per Dept Stat figures 2009) and some earn below the median wage. Transport costs are a substantial part of their weekly non discretionary spending.</p>		
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		<p>Management have raised the following objections to providing staff parking;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. they want to treat all staff the same and do not want to create a precedent</li> <li>2. car parking had never been a contractual certainty and hence staff have no entitlement</li> <li>3. limiting the number of car parks available may result in loss of jobs</li> <li>4. staff car parking limits spaces available for members of the public</li> </ol> <p>In response we note that all other parks and gardens staff have access to free parking near or at their respective depots.</p> <p>No business treats all staff the same, the chief executive's package is highly dissimilar from a gardener's and we see no value in this point. The provision of a few parks in this instance will not create an across the board requirement for all council staff.</p> <p>Carparking has not been a written part of the staff contracts but has been the custom and practice of the workplace for over twenty years.</p> <p>Point three is, apart from threatening to our members, unable to be substantiated.</p> <p>Point four we concede but point out that the situation will be no worse than it is now if parks are reserved and that we are willing to negotiate on the number of spaces available for staff and to look at alternative sites</p>		
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<p><b>29. Pauline Swann</b>  individual</p>	<p>47 Mairangi Road Wadestown Wellington 6010  Athol.swann@paradise.net.nz</p>	<p>See <b>Attachment 5</b></p>	<p>We are seeking to encourage turnover of the car parks and see the low fee of \$2.00 per hour as a way to encourage this</p> <p>There is no enforceable traffic resolution in place at present. The only enforcement we have is through towing of vehicles which we are extremely reluctant to do</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>No</p>
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# Attachment 1 - Submission 5

Traffic Resolution – Botanic Garden  
Resolution Number TR115-10 Botanic Garden  
Wellington Collegians Junior Cricket Club

## Background

1. The Wellington Collegians Junior Cricket Club is part of the Wellington Collegians Cricket Club. The Club was formed in 1849 and has been based at Anderson Park since the late 1960s. The junior club has approximately 340 players enrolled for 2010/11 season aged from five through until 13. We are one of the largest junior cricket clubs in Wellington.
2. The catchment for our junior club is wide – we cover Northland, Kelburn, Wilton, Wadestown, Thorndon, the central city, Roseneath and Brooklyn.
3. As a club, we actively encourage parental involvement, participation and encouragement.
4. In general terms, Anderson Park is used primarily by the junior club during the cricket season (late October – March) for the following activities:
  - a. On Saturday mornings from about 8.30am through to about 10.30am.
    - i. For Nursery grade (Years 0 and 1- ages 5 and 6). This involves 40-50 children playing, plus siblings and parents attending.
    - ii. For games at the Year 2 and 3 levels, sometimes Year 4. Often parents in attendance.
  - b. Practices during weekday afternoons from 3.30-6.00. The busiest days are Wednesday and Thursday with 40-50 players practicing along with supervision from coaches and parent support. On other weekdays the number practising is closer to 20 players. Many parents drop off, but there are volunteer coaches attending mainly straight from work (with cricket gear bags) which makes use of public transport problematic.

## Impact of Proposed Parking Charges

1. We consider that the proposed charges will increase the costs of attending children's sport in our community.
2. We also consider that the proposed changes will discourage attendance by parents and player families to games and practices. We (like most other junior sports clubs) have a constant battle to attract and retain volunteer parental involvement in coaching, managing and supporting their children's sport. Any barriers placed on this involvement by the council should be well considered and any adverse impacts mitigated.
3. The majority of our players and families are not within walking distance of Anderson Park and our clubrooms. We would be loath to encourage primary school children to use public transport on their own as a cost saving measure.
4. Additionally, our younger grades (ages 5-8), are nearly always accompanied by their parents and more often than not also have younger siblings in attendance, often with prams and buggies. The proposed changes will lead to our members making greater utilisation of free parking in nearby streets (which is extremely limited) or further up Tinakori Road (which is not available due to coupon parking usage during weekdays).



#### Submission in respect of proposed changes

1. We are not objecting to the P120m parking restriction currently in force.
2. We consider that there should be no charge for parking during weekdays or at weekends on Council parking spaces at the Botanic Gardens / Anderson Park and recommend that the proposal be rejected by the committee.
3. We feel that the proposal does not address the issues outlined in it. It suggests congestion caused by parties staying too long. This issue seems to be a lack of enforcement in respect of P120 – an issue which does not directly require a change to the rules rather a refocus of enforcement activities.
4. Our members do not feel that revenue generation for “administration and maintenance of the garden infrastructure” is linked to the congestion issue. It could be construed that the change is mainly focussed on charging for park usage in an area currently free to ratepayers.
5. In summary, we consider that the council should take this opportunity to reaffirm its support for children’s sport and for parental involvement. We note (and appreciate) the extensive commitment the Council makes to sports facilities in the city. However, we also note that the cost of parking at shopping malls and other facilities is often free. Our families feel that the Council should not be looking to increase costs for parents supporting active children.

#### Suggested alternatives

1. Greater enforcement of the current rules limiting parking to 120 minutes.
2. Pay and display only before 3.00pm on weekdays, and no parking charges on the weekends.

Our club would appreciate the opportunity to make an oral submission to the committee on this matter.

Regards,



John Chandler  
Treasurer  
For Wellington Collegians Junior Cricket Club Committee

Attachment 2 – Submission 23

We believe the proposed changes would negatively impact upon cricket at Anderson Park, in particular the 120min maximum ~~stay~~ stay. As cricket is an all day sport, it is impractical to expect players to attend to their parking during a game. We believe the compromise proposed by the Collegians Cricket Club is a workable solution.

## Attachment 3 – Submission 25

I live immediately adjacent to the Botanic Gardens and pass through there by foot or car on average once a day. I am very aware of the situation about parking and have been checking it over the past few months since I heard of the proposal to charge for parking. From my personal observations it is very evident that most days and early evenings, including weekends, there are parking spaces available, and indeed often very many of these. The times when the park is full are: when there are popular sporting events, when the Spring Festival or Summer Festival are on (annual events) and over some lunch times on sunny week days.

The proposal to bring in paid parking for seven days from 8 am to 6 pm seems to be a gross over-reaction to a problem that exists only occasionally and spasmodically. It is difficult to avoid the conclusion that it is being proposed for revenue gathering reasons.

It is particularly difficult to understand the proposal to bring in paid parking at the weekend, given that all other public parking in Wellington is free over that time. This is providing a deterrent to visiting an amenity which is central to Wellingtonians and an important part of our city. It is an undesirable statement to make when the city is aiming to establish its environmental credentials. A series of parking meters will be an unattractive addition to the gardens for the many tourists who visit.

The obvious solution to this problem, insofar as it exists, is to provide proper enforcement. This is easy to do as the primary aim should be to discourage commuters, of whom there are very few and can be easily distinguished from park visitors who stay for shorter times. For a while, temporary barriers were put up for the first hour or two in the morning cutting off the area by the Seddon Memorial to discourage commuters but this simple practice has now ceased.

Consideration should also be given to the fact that taxis use the parking area by the Seddon Memorial as a holding area and at times four or five are there to the detriment of genuine park visitors.

Charging for parking will disadvantage those who are less mobile and therefore are unable to walk a distance from the free parking outside the park.

It will also force park visitors onto adjacent streets at weekends. This will particularly affect Kinross Street where I live, as the exit street to the park. We already have a parking problem at weekends and this will become noticeably worse.

One solution, in addition to proper enforcement of the current arrangements, would be to examine the parking provisions in those parts of Tinakori Rd and Glenmore St which are alongside the gardens. These are currently a mix of two hour free parking and coupon parking. They provide excellent access to the main gardens and good overflow parking for park visitors on those occasions when the grounds are full. It would be undesirable to charge for parking inside the grounds while providing free parking immediately outside the gates.

Finally it is worth noting that charging for parking will not solve the problem of too few parking places when there are popular events in the Park. There will never be enough parking places on these occasions.



## Attachment 4 - Submission 26



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The Friends of Bolton Street Memorial Park discussed the proposal for metered parking in the Botanic Gardens at our recent committee meeting on 12 October 2010. It was decided that the proposal should be opposed for the following reasons.

**Proposals for paid parking and for strictly enforced time limits would impact conversely on all our society's activities. Current parking arrangements are satisfactory for us.** We hold working bees about five times a year; we conduct guided walks through the Memorial Park from time to time; and various members are working on conservation or research projects in the Park throughout the year.

**Guided Tours.** These take around 1½ to 2 hours. By the time participants have walked back to the top at the end of the tour, often stopping to look at additional memorials en route, they would have overstayed the two-hour period. In addition, the need to pay for parking would make people less willing to come on the tours and less generous about donating to the tour. (We ask participants for donations which go in full towards the restoration work within the Park.)

**Working Bees.** These are held on either Saturday or Sunday mornings. We try to avoid Saturday mornings when sports events are on as there is limited parking at those times. However there is plenty of parking on Sunday mornings and also on Saturday mornings when there are no sports events. From our observations, there is no justification whatsoever in charging for or limiting the time of parking on these mornings. If volunteers have to pay for parking they will be less inclined to participate in the working bees. These are for two hours but usually take longer because of preparation and cleaning up, also because volunteers often wish to give extra time. Timed parking means less volunteer input.

**Other Work or Research in the Memorial Park.** The requirement to pay for parking and the limited time frame would militate against those who do extended work or research in the Park. An aim of our society is to encourage development of and interest in this very important historic cemetery and the parking proposal would undermine this.

**We believe that there are spare parking places in the garden most of the time, and therefore the current proposal is neither justified nor necessary.** In particular there are plenty of spaces on weekend mornings (apart from the sporting events).

We therefore request that a proper review be conducted of the parking situation and that **enforcement** measures be implemented to ensure that parking is confined to genuine park visitors and is around two hours. Should this not be possible or acceptable, then at the very least there should be **free parking on weekend mornings up to midday.**

## **Attachment 5 - Submission 29**

I am writing to express my opposition to the installation of meters in the Lady Norwood Rose Garden, Bolton Street Memorial Park and Anderson Park.

As currently, there is 120 minutes free parking, the suggestion is that there are complaints from visitors to the garden about lack of parking through lack of resources to administer parking management. However, if meters are installed it will require wardens to regularly check and can see no reason why their services are not called upon to monitor the current system. At present wardens are required to “police” the free 2 hour parkings in Tinakori Road and Glenmore Street and this should not present any problems, apart from perhaps extra staff. The installations of meters will not guarantee the availability of more parking.

The meter cost of \$4.00/\$8.00 could even see a reduction in the number of visitors to the Café and loss of revenue.

A similar situation, could arise with the plans for Meters in the current 2 hours free at the top of the Cable Car.