

# Thorndon Parking Review

# Background information

- In email sent out to Councillors
- Policy to protect residents from stadium
- Coupon Parking 8 am – 6 pm Monday to Friday
- Additional time restrictions 6 pm – 9 pm Monday to Friday and 8 am – 9 pm Saturday and Sunday
- Request is review of additional restrictions, not coupon parking

# Reply to Officer's Response

- Limited time in public participation
- As such, will not be addressing
- My reply to the Officer's Response was done via email to Councillor's [wcc.govt.nz](mailto:wcc.govt.nz) email addresses

# Reasons for a review

- As per email
- The current policy no longer protects Thorndon residents from “stadium parkers” due to the increased volume of night matches
- A policy to protect Thorndon residents from “stadium parkers” does not need to apply 365 days a year
- If a review is not feasible, the Council should request that Parkwise do not enforce the time limits outside of the coupon parking period if no matches are occurring at the stadium
- There are no-cost options
- Lack of information on the restrictions outside of the coupon parking period
- The Council should undertake a review, as it was agreed to in the November 1999 resolution and the, when considering good governance, it seems to be a logical period before the World Cup and now over 10 years since the policy was introduced.

# Current policy no longer protects residents

- Policy developed in 1999
- Day matches for most sports far more common
- In 2011 onwards, the majority of our matches for the Hurricanes, All Blacks and Lions start from 7.35
- A restriction until 9 pm will not capture those who park from 7 pm.

# Current policy no longer protects residents

- Rugby World Cup?
- Two of the biggest pool matches Wellington is hosting begin at 8.30 pm. Again, this will not capture those parking in the area

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- In documents I received under the LGOIMA, 1686 tickets were issued in Thorndon on Saturdays and Sundays in the last two years.
- Many of these tickets were issued on days where no event was on at the stadium
- Enforcement of the policy is done every week, regardless of stadium events – source – Colleen Thessman

# There are no-cost options

- Add visitors exemptions to the list of Council exemptions for Thorndon
- Minimal cost



# Lack of information on the restrictions outside of the coupon parking period

- No information on [wcc.govt.nz](http://wcc.govt.nz)
- Only information is about Thorndon Quay

The Council should undertake a review, as it was agreed to in the November 1999 resolution

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2. *Agrees that the Thorndon Coupon Parking Zone be formally reviewed by the Committee in 6 months.*
  3. *Note that an informative and educative approach should*

- Review was agreed to
- According to LGOIMA, no review ever carried out
- Mr Carruthers gave reasons not to support a review rather than reasons to support the current policy
- I have a number of letters of support for a review