

Date:	Tuesday, 5 December 2017
Time:	10.00am
Location:	Council Chamber 107 Heuheu Street Taupō

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

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4.10 LAKE TERRACE PARKING SPACES TIME RESTRICTION**Author:** Woinshet Hailesilassie, Engineering Officer**Authorised by:** Kevin Strongman, Group Manager, Operational Services**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to discuss the proposed 23 parking spaces parking time restriction on Lake Terrace.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council is proposing to install 4 x 120minute or 180 minute time restriction signs to be installed on Lake Terrace along the lakefront. It is recommended that the signs be installed for a trial period and that the Fences, Roading, Reserves & Dogs Committee considers Lake Terrace parking again at the end of the trial period (i.e. at its 20 March 2018 meeting).

The Taupō District Council Traffic controls may be updated from time to time with new controls or prohibitions

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. That the Fences, Roading, Reserves & Dogs Committee approves the installation of **either** 4 x P120 minute **or** 4 x P180 minute time restriction signs on the western side of Lake Terrace from Rifle Range Road south to No 88 Lake Terrace between the times of 6pm to 8am, for a trial period of three months.
2. That a report be brought back to the 20 March 2018 Fences, Roading, Reserves & Dogs Committee meeting providing an update on Lake Terrace parking over the parking restriction trial period.

BACKGROUND

At a public forum held on 28 November 2017, Taupō District Council was asked to consider parking restrictions on the western side of Lake Terrace from Rifle Range Road south to No 88 Lake Terrace due to the number of trucks parking in this area during the early evening and the potential hazards arising from pedestrians crossing Lake Terrace in the same location.

DISCUSSION

There have been concerns raised due to the Heavy vehicles parking along Lake Terrace mainly due to vehicles obstructing the view of the lake for those staying in the accommodation providers opposite and the noise when the heavy vehicles start up in the early hours of the morning.

These issues have been raised prior to this committee, and it was decided not to install specific No Truck Parking along the lakefront due to the minimum size of sign required and the number of signs required.

Another suggestion is to consider parking restrictions in order to stop truck parking for longer hours on these parking spaces time restriction will alleviate this problem. When parking restriction signs are installed without any specific times identified they apply from 8am to 6pm only (Mon to Sun, except public holidays).

OPTIONS

The three options before Council are:

Option 1. Status Quo

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All vehicles can park unrestricted • No sign pollution along the lake front • Will increase income for accommodation providers • Truck operators can park close to accommodation providers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trucks will continue to park overnight opposite the restaurants and motels. • Demand for parking during summer is high and this option does not allow high turnover.

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Option 2. Parking restriction for P120 or P180 minutes 6pm to 8am Monday to Sunday

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does not impact vehicles visitors accessing Lakefront during the day or attending events. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does not create vehicle/parking turnover • Truck operators will be required to park elsewhere. • Problem may be shifted to the adjacent parking spaces or onto side roads off Lake Terrace. • Does not improve turnover of vehicles during the day. • Sign pollution at the lake front • Restricts guests accessing restaurants or does not allow overflow of parking of guests • May have issues enforcing this

Option 3. Parking restriction P120 or P180 At All Times Monday to Sunday

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creates good turnover during peak hours. • Will impact all vehicles not just heavy vehicles (24 hours per day). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Truck operators will be required to park elsewhere. • Problem may be shifted to the adjacent parking spaces or onto side roads off Lake Terrace. • Sign pollution at the lake front • Restricts guests accessing restaurants or does not allow overflow for parking of guests • May have issues enforcing this.

Preferred option

Option 2 is the preferred option. The parking restriction which covers the night time only, will not impact those accessing the Lakefront during the day or when large events are on during the summer months. We may need to consider the extent (length) of the restriction as larger vehicles may continue to park outside these restrictions or the problem may see heavy vehicles move into the side roads such as Tui Street. This can be considered at the conclusion of the trial period.

CONSIDERATIONS

Financial Considerations

The financial impact of maintenance to the Register does not change and is met within current budgets.

Legal Considerations

Local Government Act 2002

The matter comes within scope of the Council's lawful powers, including satisfying the purpose statement of Section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002. The matter will enable the Council to meet the current and future needs of communities for good quality performance of Council's regulatory functions. (i.e. efficient, effective and appropriate to present and anticipated future circumstances).

The proposal has been evaluated with regard to the Traffic Bylaw 2014, the Land Transport Act 1998 and the associated Rules. Prescribed signs need to be installed in order to be enforceable by our compliance officers.

Policy Implications

There are no policy implications associated with this report.

Risks

There are no risks associated with this report except not having prescribed signs installed.

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE DECISION OR PROPOSAL

Council's Significance and Engagement policy identifies the following matters that are to be taken into account when assessing the degree of significance of proposals and decisions:

- a. The level of financial consequences of the proposal or decision;
- b. Whether the proposal or decision will affect a large portion of the community or community of interest;
- c. The likely impact on present and future interests of the community, recognising Maori cultural values and their relationship to land and water;
- d. Whether the proposal affects the level of service of an activity identified in the Long Term Plan;
- e. Whether community interest is high; and
- f. The capacity of Council to perform its role and the financial and other costs of doing so.

Officers have undertaken a rounded assessment of the matters in clause 11 of the Significance and Engagement Policy (2016), and are of the opinion that the proposal under consideration is of low importance.

ENGAGEMENT

Taking into consideration the above assessment, that the decision is of a low degree of significance, officers are of the opinion that no further engagement is required prior to Council making a decision.

The compliance team has been advised. They are in support of the proposal.

Due to time constraints, staff have not yet advised any adjoining property owners.

COMMUNICATION/MEDIA

Any change to the parking limits will be communicated to the community through various channels. The commercial operators in the vicinity of the affected area will be informed of any change directly.

CONCLUSION

To solve the safety issues accept the parking restriction from 6pm to 8am or restricting the parking spaces at all times.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Lake Tce Parking Restriction - Drawing 001 - 120 6pm-8am [↓](#) 
2. Lake Tce Parking Restriction - Drawing 003 - 120 At All Times [↓](#) 
3. Lake Tce Parking Restriction - Drawing 004 - 180 At All Times [↓](#) 
4. Lake Tce Parking Restriction - Drawing 002 - 180 6pm-8am [↓](#) 

