Public Notice – Proposed Traffic or Parking Amendment



Members of the community are invited to view and make comment on the following proposed traffic or parking amendment.	
Reference No	TR2023/01334
Road/s	Joanne Street, Kotara
Traffic Engineer	Daria Chen, Traffic Engineer
Contact No	4974 2000
Approval Authority	City of Newcastle
Notice/Submission Period	9 November 2023 to 23 November 2023

Exhibition

City of Newcastle is proposing the following traffic or parking amendment:

It is proposed to install "1/4P (8am – 9.30am, 3.30pm – 5.00pm School Days)" parking restrictions and extend "No Stopping" restriction on Joanne Street Kotara, between No.11 and No.25.

The proposed changes are in response to concerns raised by a local resident regarding road safety and lack of access to short-term parking to support pick-up/drop-off activity in the area.

The current Road Rules 2014 (Rule 208) states that if the road has a continuous dividing line or a dividing strip, the driver must position the vehicle at least 3 metres from the continuous dividing line or dividing strip, unless otherwise indicated by information on or with a parking control sign.

Currently, double unbroken centreline (BB line) is present in Joanne Street between No.13 and No.23, and "No Stopping" signs are installed on the northern side of Joanne Street.

Due to the limited road width, when vehicles park fronting No.13 and No.23, the statutory 3m minimum clearance cannot be maintained at all times. Observations also indicate that when parking spaces fronting No.11, No.13, No.23 and No.25 are occupied, moving vehicles are forced to cross into the opposing travel lane while approaching the BB line. The visibility of oncoming traffic is also restricted by the parked vehicles due to the presence of the bend at No.10 Joanne Street.

On-street parking is also observed frequently being occupied by long-term parking which impacts the parking availability for parents to pick-up and drop-off children.

It is proposed to extend the existing "No Stopping" restrictions on the northern side and install "No Stopping" restrictions as well as 1/4P restrictions on the southern side as shown in the proposed plan.

This proposal will reinforce legislation and improve road safety while negotiating the bend. It will also allow a higher rate of parking turnover during school times, improving access for parents to pick-up and drop-off children.

Submissions

Any person, during the specified submission period, may make submissions to the City of Newcastle concerning the proposed traffic or parking amendment. The submissions must specify:

- the reference number TR2023/01334,

- the submitter's name, residential address, contact number; and preferably an email address, and
- whether the submission is in support or objection of the proposal.

Submissions must be made in writing and should be lodged via the <u>online submission form</u> on City of Newcastle's website.

Alternatively, submissions can be made by mailed to PO Box 489, Newcastle NSW 2300 or delivered in person to the Customer Service Centre at 12 Stewart Avenue, Newcastle West NSW 2302.

All submissions received are considered 'Open Access Information' under the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (GIPA) and therefore may be made available to the public.

Following the closure of the submission period, the proposal and submissions received will be considered by the Newcastle City Traffic Committee at an upcoming meeting.

Submission closing date

Submissions must be received by 5.00 pm on 23 November 2023.

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Joanne Street Kotara, between No.11 and No.25



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