

Correspondence received regarding 2 Hour Parking

Date	For	Against	Submissions	Comments
03/02/2016	For		<p>I wish to put forward a plea for two hour parking in Avon Terrace for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I believe restricting parking to one hour will cause unnecessary stress for many elderly residents in York. • I take an elderly resident - in her mid 80's - shopping in York once a week. She does not drive and it provides relief for her husband who has health problems. • To avoid rushing this Lady I must allow two hours for her to complete bill paying, visits to the Pharmacy and shopping. • I need to park within easy access to the Co-op and CBD to minimise walking for her. • When possible I do park in McCartney Street if I am able to park close enough to Avon Terrace. 	Noted.
04/02/2016		(parking restrictions in general)	<p>I trust you will give serious consideration to two hour parking instead of one.</p> <p>In response to the article in the current "York Community Matters" newspaper regarding parking in Avon Terrace the C.W.A has already expressed our objection to this restriction to the Shire Ranger on the 25th November, 2015. Could you please ensure that our concerns and objection are a part of the Councils deliberation on this matter as a restriction of less than four hours would seriously inconvenience members of the C.W.A and other groups who use our rooms. Some of these people are elderly and it would be impossible for them to walk from Council parking behind the shopping precinct.</p>	CWA adjacent street parking bays can remain unrestricted if acceptable to Council.
13/02/2016	For		<p>My wife and I own two buildings in Avon Terrace.</p> <p>Parking We support the initiative of extending parking to two hours and extending this to Christie Retreat.</p> <p>Trees please I also take this opportunity to ask for the planting of mature trees in Avon Tce, as they used to be please, or more. A town with trees is a cooler town. And more beautiful. A canopy of trees please.</p>	Noted.

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13/02/2016	For		<p>Thank you for your recent notice, and for the opportunity to comment on the proposals. We would like to support both proposals –</p> <p>To extend the restricted parking in Avon Tce on both sides of the road to the intersection with Christie Retreat</p> <p>And to amend the current time restriction of one hour in Avon Tce to two hours.</p> <p>As owners of a property in Avon Tce, we believe the street parking bays should be available to potential customers of the businesses in close proximity to them.</p>	Noted.
16/02/2016	For		<p>In reply to the current proposal to extend the period to two hours would be better than one hour. But I believe we still need to address the overall parking problem on the northern end of Avon Terrace. I think it is time to really assess the long term usage of Macartney Street which runs between the IGA and York Home Hardware. I believe if the York Community want the IGA to survive in the next 10 years then the car park behind the York and Districts Co-Operative has to be upgraded to a sealed carpark (without parking restrictions).</p> <p>The footpaths leading to the current carpark and the footpath between the post office and the Courthouse I would definitely like to see improved and am really surprised that someone has not tried to claim litigation for slipping on the loose surface and pot holes in the footpath. This has become the main walk through for people coming from Avon Park.</p> <p>I pride myself in being a local supporter of local business but the other day when I found I had to park right down the back of the co-op I decided to keep driving and went to Northam to do my weekly shop as I am sick to death of trying to balance a runaway trolley full of groceries down that pathway. How many others are making the same choices as me.</p> <p>Also the Royal car park corner of Avon Terrace. Maybe it is time to approach the owners of the block and negotiate a lease back arrangement for the block to be used as a carpark again. This has become an eyesore fenced off from the public.</p>	Refer to Guide to Traffic Management extract main report. With the length of Avon Terrace problems with extended parking may not be experienced by all business owners in Avon Terrace.

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16/02/2016		(parking restrictions in general)	<p>I am writing in reply to the Council seeking community views on two proposals to change the restricted parking in Avon Terrace.</p> <p>Proposal 1: To extend the restricted parking in Avon Terrace on both sides of the road to the intersection with Christie Retreat.</p> <p>As a business that attracts around 1000 customer transactions a day we believe an extension to the restricted parking along Avon Terrace to Christie Retreat would achieve little impact on turning cars over to allow easy access to the CBD. As an example, I have observed at 11.30am on this Monday morning 3 vehicles occupying car parks between Macartney Street and Christie Retreat. By 11.45am, those three vehicles have turned over. While the occasional vehicle will stay for longer periods there appears no impact on business activity. We have in the last seven years had only one discussion with community members in regards to parking issues in this area, which was resolved in 5 minutes with a phone call.</p> <p>Proposal 2: Amend the current time restrictions of one hour in Avon Terrace to two hours.</p> <p>With recent moves to enforce the one hour restriction, the first time we have seen enforcement of time restrictions in Avon Terrace in the last seven years, issues have arisen where customers have complained that they had received a ticket while doing their shopping. With attempts to encourage community to shop local we need to ensure that enforcing time limits is not counterproductive, by acting as a deterrent to customers supporting local business.</p> <p>It would also be worth considering, in conjunction with the shop local campaign, the low level of population growth in York and the lack of customer complaints in regards to shortage of parking areas which from our perspective is negligible. While I would heed business owners input on parking issues, our focus should be on customer centric. If overwhelming numbers of customers do not complain about parking issues in Avon Terrace then we should not enforce restrictions.</p> <p>As a larger business in York, we have strategic plans to assist in future parking issues in the CBD area, reliant on population growth and community local support.</p> <p>We thank the Council for allowing inclusion in future plans with parking in Avon Terrace and hope our input helps to develop worthwhile future planning.</p>	<p>Council has limited influence over existing privately owned car parks. Macartney Street pathway is currently being repaired.</p>

Appendix 2 – Proposed 2 Hour Parking



TIME RESTRICTED PARKING HOURS
8am - 5pm Monday to Friday
8am - 12noon Saturday

Proposed 2 hour parking bays

