

Public Consultation Package - Bridge Street and Brooklyn Road BROOKLYN - Proposed Changes to Parking Restrictions - To Residents + Retailers + Owners Corporation + Community Groups							
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D08957217	BCA President - Mrs Cindy Corkery					The information being distributed by Council does not reflect that the BCA and DIL simply requested three (3) existing parking spaces be reassigned modest time restriction changes as per your correspondence dated 24 July 2024 (attached) and the relevant sections highlighted in italic below.	Comments are in reference to the initial proposal which was not referred to the Local Traffic Committee.  Council has updated the proposal in agreement with BCA. Refer to D08981936 for latest submission comments which now supports the proposed changes to parking restrictions.
D08958093		1				These appear to be suitable changes to me. I support them in that part of Brooklyn	Comments noted.
D08958572			1			I do not support any changes as proposed, unless Council provides residents and businesses operating in this area with parking permit stickers. There are a number of residential properties (ratepayers & tenants) which require street parking along the Eastern end of Brooklyn Road beyond Bridge Street!	Council will consider the issue of parking permits as part of future Brooklyn parking management.
D08960407					1	My name is Mark Payne, I live and have a business located at 11 Bridge St Brooklyn. Our property does not have off street parking, and we have two pre-teen daughters going to school in the area. Notwithstanding the likely negative impact this change will have on accessing parking nearby our house on the weekends, we understand the local community's need. However, what is not clear: •which property boundary of number 9 Bridge St will see the 4hr extended parking extended to. Your letter does not specify north or south boundary? •If the 4P parking is restricted to business hours only, could you please clarify.	The extension of the 4P parking zone is up to the southern boundary of No. 9 Bridge Street and the time restrictions will reflect the existing 4P restriction on Bridge Street.
D08963975				1		Our motel has made it work over the last 13 years (we opened in 2011) when you read the reviews of the Brooklyn Motel, you will understand why the parking is such an important issue for us. We would hope that council will support local businesses but we understand that there is a trade-off. It is impossible to make and keep everybody happy. We understand that council has to make difficult choices. Our three major issues are: A: Council wants to change two (2) parking lots and change them from 4 hours to 15 minutes. This is rather logical because there is a pharmacy, a cafe, a real estate agent and another shop where the post office used to be. The concept is of course that none of these businesses need 4 hour parking. Our motel is next to these four businesses, and the current proposal is that the 15 minutes parking will start at 8 O'clock and go on to 6 O'clock. That means that our motel customers can not park before 6 PM. It also means that our motel guests must leave before 8.15 AM or risk a fine. It would be logical to start the 15 minutes parking at say 10 O'clock and finish this at say 14 O'clock. This way the Pharmacy can be visited by the locals during the day, but there is no penalty to Brooklyn visitors who want to stay overnight. B: Council also proposes to extend the 4 hour parking to the boundary of 9 Bridge street which in effect creates more limitations to Bridge Street car parking. We are not a big business, but we have people living on site and we normally would park our own cars on Bridge Street. Maybe council has a reason, but I have no idea who will benefit from two more car parks with 4 P restrictions in front of 9 Bridge Street. To me the best solution is if the council would not extend the 4 P zone and leave the parking in front of 7 and 9 Bridge Street as it is at the moment. C: The post office building (which had the biggest parking issue) has moved 60 or 70 meters up the street, and I can see the logic in creating a single 15 minutes car parking spot in front of this new location. This could be all day, or also only for 4 hours. This parking would suit locals, but it seems not to be proposed. Of course, after 15 years talking and thinking about how to improve car parking in Brooklyn, council wants to do SOMETHING. Making 15 minute parking available for locals is absolute something Brooklyn residents long for. If you visit a motel however, you normally would have some luggage to bring to your room. For that reason, parking a long way away is not acceptable. It is sensible to change the existing parking as proposed by council and have 15 minute parking in front of 3 and 5 Bridge Street. We suggest to have this 1/4P parking only between 10 and 14 O'clock. To our way of thinking, it is a good compromise because the 15 minute parking will help locals, but it also allows visitors and customers to park their cars close to their motel rooms. I do hope that council will see the logic and wants to support our business. When it is all said and done, our customers add to the local economy of Brooklyn and we as the Brooklyn Motel are proud to offer our services.	A: The time restrictions of the proposed 15min parking will be consistent with the existing time restrictions of other 15min parking spaces in Brooklyn. The 15min parking spaces are intended provide short-term parking options within Brooklyn town centre. B: The extension of the 4P zone along the eastern side of Bridge Street is to offset the loss of two 4P parking spaces due to the proposed provision of 15min parking. C: The proposed 15min parking is located in front of No. 1-3 Bridge Street.  Customers of the motel can park for more than 4 hours from 2:00pm onwards as the 4P restrictions would be in effect between 6:00am to 6:00pm.
D08967983						To whom it concerns,  I am so pleased that we have the opportunity to comment on the councils proposal to improve on the parking in Brooklyn. My wife and I are owners of the Brooklyn Motel, and our business will be affected by the decision that the council will take.  First, a bit of history: When my wife and I bought the property at 7 Bridge Street in Brooklyn in 2005, the site had approval for a 6 bedroom motel. Initially it was requested by the previous owners that on the site at 7 Bridge Street should be a "geisha house". The way I understand it was that Council realised that this was just another name for "Brothel". It took the previous owners 6 years and 3 DA requests to get the site approved, not as a 6 room geisha house, but as a 6 Bedroom Motel.  When my wife and I bought the site, we wondered how it was possible to get council approval, because clearly there is absolutely no parking on site, and a motel needs car parks. We were told that council had used the parking issue initially as reason to reject previous DA's, but at the end, the previous owners proved that there were existing parking rights for the site. These rights consisted out of 10 car parks on the street. The reason for 10 car parks (existing rights) was that there had been a restaurant on the site and this restaurant had a certain amount car parks allocated in relation to the size of the dining area.  The previous owners had spend a lot of money on getting a DA, but as motel owners, we realised that the way the building was proposed and approved, it would not be suitable to used as a motel. There were originally 6 rooms designated as "Motel rooms". The foyer in the original design was huge and the rooms were tiny. These "Motel Rooms" would be suitable as "Entertainment rooms", but certainly not as motel rooms.  We discussed this with council and we changes the approved drawings. We deleted one motel room (less parking requirement) and ended up with five (5) proper and suitable motel rooms. Our location is perfect and we are truly in the centre of town. Overnight parking in Bridge Street is not too bad, but during the day, parking is challenging. Our motel customers are mainly seniors who visit the Riverboat Postman, the Oyster Farm or are people who want to go fishing very early in the morning.  Now, coming back to the parking. Our motel has made it work over the last 13 years (We opened in 2011). When you read the reviews of the Brooklyn Motel, you will understand why the parking is such an important issue for us.  We would hope that council will support local businesses but we understand that there is a trade-off. It is impossible to make and keep everybody happy. We understand that council has to make difficult choices.  Our three major issues are: A: Council wants to change two (2) parking lots and change them from 4 hours to 15 minutes. 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D08966481				1		Just like to see some changes so people can visit and have lunch. Maybe some 1h or 2h parking close to restaurants and pub. Been down there for lunch twice in 2 weeks and still only 1 parking spot on both days. (Thursday and Friday) lots of cars parked close to restaurants with lots of dust on them that haven't been moved for days or weeks. Only about 4 cars parked in upper McKell park.	Council understands that there is a fine balance when managing on-street parking between residents of Brooklyn and Dangar Island and to support local businesses in the area. Council will be preparing a Precinct Parking Plan for Brooklyn which would detail both short-term and long-term parking management measures to ensure that on-street parking is utilised more effectively for all road-users.
D08975056						Still need more parking for waterfront and near Ferry wharf When down last week on Thursday and Friday. Each day there was only 1 parking spot available. Need to measure the changes or you won't know how they are going. A parking officer every now and then would solve some of these issues. Why don't you issue a council sticker so we can park, all others without a sticker that live in another council area would have to park in upper McKell park.	Council understands that there is a fine balance when managing on-street parking between residents of Brooklyn and Dangar Island and to support local businesses in the area. Council will be preparing a Precinct Parking Plan for Brooklyn which would detail both short-term and long-term parking management measures to ensure that on-street parking is utilised more effectively for all road-users.
D08979745						Still need more 4hr parking around restaurants so ratepayers can use these areas for recreation and dining. Lots of cars are covered with dust and haven't moved.	Council understands that there is a fine balance when managing on-street parking between residents of Brooklyn and Dangar Island and to support local businesses in the area. Council will be preparing a Precinct Parking Plan for Brooklyn which would detail both short-term and long-term parking management measures to ensure that on-street parking is utilised more effectively for all road-users.
D08981901		1				We are writing to express our qualified support for the proposed changes as outlined on Council's website. We have inspected the existing installed signage and that proposed and consider that the changes will achieve the desired outcomes. Our qualifications offered relate to the following. 1. We believe it is appropriate for the 4P signs installed should include the time period in which this restriction occurs, namely 6am to 6pm. This would achieve consistency with the recently installed signs in Lower McKell Park. 2. We trust that the proposed signs will be attached to the existing poles.	Council will ensure time restrictions for the 4P signs are consistent with the existing 4P signs along Bridge Street. All signs will be attached to existing signposts where possible.

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D08981936	BCA President - Mrs Cindy Corkery	1				<p>Thankyou for the opportunity to respond in writing to the Updated Public Consultation for the Proposed Changes to Parking Restrictions in Bridge Street and Brooklyn Road BROOKLYN (Reference No F2004/09762-002"). Please accept this email submission as support for the updated proposal subject to the following assumptions as we note that the proposal could be read as 24 hours/7 days per week which was not the intention.</p> <p>1.All new parking restriction signage is consistent with other signage in the vicinity i.e. 4P 6am to 6pm. 2.All new parking restriction signage is installed on current signage posts i.e. replacing current signage and not installing new signs/posts.</p> <p>The BCA acknowledges that some residents, without onsite parking in Bridge Street and Brooklyn Road, remain concerned about access to their properties. Some residents have requested that Council revisit the possibility of parking permits for those in these circumstances.</p>	<p>Council will ensure time restrictions for the 4P signs are consistent with the existing 4P signs along Bridge Street.</p> <p>All signs will be attached to existing signposts where possible.</p>
D08982787				1		<p>There is only one accessible parking space &amp; your worded version appears to reflect that &amp; it should be changed to time parking but there is no need for two as it appears in the map.</p> <p>Agree with the 1/4 hour parking and the extension of the 4P on Bridge Street.</p> <p>I don't think the no stopping on the corner of Brooklyn Rd &amp; Bridge is warranted however a no parking maybe considered. It doesn't really interfere with traffic.</p> <p>The no stopping on Dangar Rd is a necessity starting before the concrete island.</p> <p>A no stopping sign is required on the corner of Brooklyn Rd &amp; Dangar Rd. People are parking right on the corner of Brooklyn Rd not leaving any distance from the corner at all.</p> <p>There should also be something to stop coaches from reversing on the wrong side of the road from the corner of Brooklyn Rd down Dangar Rd. They should be using the bus turn around point near the station.</p>	<p>The proposal is to convert the existing accessible parking space on Brooklyn Road, in front of the community centre, to a 4P accessible parking space. The proposal will not provide an additional accessible parking space.</p> <p>The extension of the 4P parking zone is up to the southern boundary of No. 9 Bridge Street and the time restrictions will reflect the existing 4P restriction on Bridge Street.</p>
D08957816	REFERRAL COMMENTS - Ausgrid	1				Thankyou for the email, ok from an Ausgrid perspective	Noted.
D08963039	REFERRAL COMMENTS - NSW Police	1				No objection for the changes.	Noted.
D08976709	REFERRAL COMMENTS - NSW Police					No objection.	Noted.
D08966040	REFERRAL COMMENTS - Transport for NSW	1				Thank you for your email regarding the proposed changes to parking restrictions on Bridge Street and Brooklyn Road, Brooklyn. TfNSW has reviewed the proposed changes and has no objections or concerns regarding these.	Noted.
D08969694	REFERRAL COMMENTS - Transport for NSW					Thank you for your email regarding the proposed changes to parking restrictions on Bridge Street and Brooklyn Road, Brooklyn. TfNSW has reviewed the proposed changes and has no objections or concerns regarding these.	Noted.
D08959907					1	Has a minimalist* roundabout been considered for the intersection of Brooklyn Rd/Dangar Rd/Bridge St to address the safety/traffic amenity issue? *traversable by large trailers - ie low kerb height and no gardens or other sundry features.	A small roundabout was also considered but the design would be non-compliant to current design standards and not accomodate buses.Council will consider the instalation of a formal roubaoutt at this intersetion as part of the Brooklyn Plan.
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