

Chief Executive Officer
Attention Christine Laurence, Transport Policy Analyst
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Dear Sir /Madam

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Draft Neighbourhood Parking Policy 2017

The Glebe Society is a long-established community group representing the interests of nearly 400 members in Glebe and Forest Lodge. We appreciate the opportunity to make a submission on the City's Draft Neighbourhood Parking Policy 2017. We believe that the City's current parking policy achieves a workable balance between discouraging commuter parking in Glebe and Forest Lodge and providing residents with priority access to parking. The revision of the policy appears sensible to us and we support the proposed changes subject to our comments below.

1 Pay Parking

In the paragraph 3 (Time Limits and Pricing) of the draft policy, there is a recommendation that "all parking "on Glebe Point Road should be pay parking. We understand that this is an error in the draft policy and that the City intends that only the sections of Glebe Point Road adjacent to commercial and retail premises should be pay parking. In any event we would oppose pay parking being extended to residential areas in Glebe and Forest Lodge including sections of Glebe Point Road adjacent to residences.

We support the continuation of the 15 minute free parking trial on Glebe Point Road.

2 More visitor parking permits available and changes to pricing and the number able to be purchased.

We support these changes, in particular the increase in the number of visitor permits available and the ability to purchase permits in packets of 10. There has been proven to be a demand for visitor permits in Glebe and Forest Lodge. Some of the difficulties experienced with these permits are addressed in the proposed changes.

3 Week-Long visitor permits for tradespersons.

We support this proposal.

4 Care Worker Permits to be available for overnight and permanent parking.

We support this proposal.

5 Broadening the criteria of vehicles available for a business parking permit.

We support this proposal.

6 Visitor Parking permits – tradespersons

We would support this proposal in principle but await the community consultation process.

7 Long Term and Permanent Street Parking

Long term and permanent parking is proving to be a problem in the streets of Glebe and Forest Lodge where there are no parking restrictions. Vehicles used by campers and other itinerants, associated at times with people sleeping in their vehicles overnight, fall into this category. We ask that the City imposes parking restrictions in these streets to prevent long term and permanent parking and to provide consistency with the other streets in Glebe and Forest Lodge.

Yours sincerely

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On behalf of the Glebe Society