

Attachment 5

Pick-up and Drop-off Parking

The congestion created by the morning and particularly afternoon peak time for pick-ups and drop-off has been observed and it is noted that the timing of the afternoon pickup is more condensed.

Based on the travel survey data and the increase in students numbers it would be expected that the proposed development would result in an additional 44 morning drop-off trips between 8:00am and 9:30am and in the afternoon an additional 43 pick-up trips between 2:30pm and 4:00pm.

Council's Traffic Engineer has identified a number of areas of restricted parking that could be amended to provide a higher turnover during the peak drop-off and pick-up times. The increased availability and efficiency would seek to mitigate the increased demand for short term parking. The following options have been raised:

- a. On the western side of Chisholm Street between Wardrop Street and Glenview Street there is 30 meters of P15min and 48 meters of unrestricted parking. The unrestricted parking could be converted to P15min during the peak times to provide 8 additional pick up / drop off spaces.
- b. On the eastern side of Greenwich road in front of the school there is 43 meters of P30min parking. This could be restricted to P15min. *Comment: This recommendation is not considered to be the most favourable option given the proximity to the neighbourhood shops which benefit from the 30min parking for customers.*
- c. The Bus Zone located on the northern side of Wardrop Street only services the school special bus that operates twice per day (AM and PM). This bus stop could potentially be amalgamated with the Greenwich Road bus stop which would allow for an additional 3 parking spaces during the afternoon peak. Additional consultation with Sydney Buses would be required.

The above recommended changes to parking restrictions have been indicated on a site plan shown in Attachment 2.

The Applicant's Traffic Engineer has recommended the implementation of "No Parking" zones which would allow parents to drop off and pick up students although not leave the vicinity of the vehicles to walk the children into school. Given that the Greenwich Road Campus is for Kindergarten to Year 1 students (5 and 6 years old) this raised safety concerns as young children would not be supervised and is recommended that this proposed action not be implemented.

In order to account for the additional trips made to the school at each peak time it is recommended that option a and c be considered for implementation. The P15min restriction would allow sufficient time for parents to pick-up and drop-off students although in all likelihood the turn over time would be much quicker. This assumption is made based on observations of current pick-up and drop-offs at each campus of the School. The Applicant's Traffic Impact Assessment also identified that pick-ups and drop-off can be limited to just 2 mins where the driver does not leave the vehicle. In order to implement these recommendations Council would need to put forward the proposed changes to parking restrictions to the Lane Cove Local Traffic Committee which consists of local stakeholders.

A crossing warden currently provides assistance for students and the general public to cross Greenwich Road at the pedestrian crossing located in front of the School linking to the neighbourhood shops on the western side of the road. The provision of the crossing warden assists in the safety of students and the efficiency of the traffic movements as pedestrians are encouraged to cross in groups.