

Public Question Time – answers to questions taken on notice*

Mr. Adrian Jackson asked the following questions in relation to parking:-

1. When is Port Phillip City Council going to return all our streets to residents and visitors and get rid of the elitist residential parking permit system?
2. Is Council aware in 1996, 23% of households didn't own cars but by 2001 that had dropped down to 17.9% and I don't know what the ABS statistics are for 2006 but at that rate it's probably down to 12%?
3. Is Council going to consider maximizing the parking in our wider streets by implementing the 90 degree and angle parking scheme in the streets that don't have them currently for example Deakin St and Mary St (West St Kilda). In Fraser St which is just near my corner are you aware that on the Middle Park side it is 90 degree parking and on the St Kilda side it's parallel parking?
4. Is Council aware that during festivals, triathlons and so on in St Kilda attendees are forced to move further away from St Kilda because of parallel parking or parking permits (in West St Kilda for example) and park down in Middle Park, which I don't object to, because the elitists have got a stranglehold on the parking system closer to Fitzroy St?
5. Is Council aware that property titles finish at the front fence and they don't include the roadway outside people's properties?

Response to Question/s

1. At this time there are no proposals to review the City of Port Phillip Resident Parking Permit Scheme; however a review of parking in general is scheduled for 2010.
2. Council is aware of the trend showing the number of City of Port Phillip households with no cars is reducing each census period. Council's Sustainable Transport Policy is attempting to respond to this trend by providing & encouraging more travel choices for City of Port Phillip residents and visitors.
3. The City of Port Phillip has parking restriction change guidelines which provide significant weight to the views of immediately affected residents for any proposal. At this time, proposals in the locations mentioned have not been well supported by those direct communities.
4. Council's transport and parking policy and response for St Kilda Festival Day strongly supports public transport, walking and cycling modes of transport to and from the event.
5. Yes, Council is aware of title boundaries.

Mr. Adrian Jackson asked the following question regarding a bike path:-

1. Also could they have a look at the off road bike lane, as you know it's an excellent bike lane that was built by the South Melbourne Council along Beaconsfield Parade and perhaps extend that bike lane along onto the eastern side of Catani Gardens next to the roadway there, rather than closing the bike access to Pier Rd, where they turn it into a pedestrian mall (if that happens). I think it's a much more direct route and it doesn't interfere with the gravel footpaths that are in Catani Gardens. That whole area needs a real re-think, it's a disaster at the moment. .

Response to Question

1. Council is currently constructing on-road bike lanes on Jacka Boulevard between Pier Road (south) and Cowderoy Street, as part of the \$5m Fitzroy Street Foreshore Connections Project.

**Note: answers to any questions in Public Question Time which were answered at the meeting are included in the minutes of that meeting.*