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Venue:	Civic Centre, Level 5 – Room 2	
Time:	10:00am	
Chair:	Mr Terry Dodds, Group Manager – Public Works, City of Ryde.	

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WEST RYDE TOWN CENTRE**Parking Management Options Paper (Version 3)**

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Council's Senior Traffic Engineer – Access reports 24 May 2011**Report**

This report tables Version 3 of the Parking Management Options Paper for the concurrence of the members of the Ryde Local Traffic Committee.

Background

Council in late March 2011 prepared the INTERIM “West Ryde Town Centre – Parking Management Options Paper” for the purposes of managing parking demand in and around West Ryde Town Centre, whilst construction activities associated with the West Ryde Urban Village were in progress.

Council approved the initial version of the report as there was an urgent need to address the concerns of the constituents, namely, the West Ryde Chamber of Commerce as follows.

Council at its meeting on the 22 March 2011 tabled as a MATTER OF URGENCY, the “West Ryde Town Centre – Parking Management Options Paper” and resolved as follows:

- (a) *That Council receive the report dated 19 March 2011 – West Ryde Town Centre, Parking Management Options Paper (TABLED and ON FILE).*
- (b) *That Council authorise the implementation of the recommendations contained in the West Ryde Town Centre, Parking Management Options Paper (TABLED and ON FILE).*
- (c) *That Council re-negotiate the parking arrangements in Anthony Road with particular regard to the hours of operation.*
- (d) *That this matter be referred to the City of Ryde Traffic Committee for consideration.* **(Purpose of this Report)**
- (e) *That investigations be undertaken regarding other possible options for parking which may include:*
 - *Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club;*
 - *Ryedale Road; and*
 - *Housing NSW vacant land.*
- (f) *That Council approach the Roads and Traffic Authority NSW requesting that they suspend the parking restrictions in Victoria Road from 3pm, between Chatham Road and West Parade.*

Following the initial report approved by Council as a “Matter of Urgency” an updated report was prepared titled “The West Ryde Town Centre – Parking Management Options Paper

(Version 2)". This report was circulated to the voting members of the Ryde Local Traffic Committee, being RTA, NSW Police and the Local Members representative for concurrence.

Subsequently, comments were received detailing the following:

RTA: *"The RTA would like to reiterate that, as advised to Council regarding the current traffic conditions on Victoria Rd, the RTA cannot support any additional parking on Victoria Rd, as proposed in your email (attached)."*

"The RTA is satisfied with the alternative parking options developed by Council."

"Consequently, the RTA has no objections, in principle, to the parking changes proposed in this report, provided that relevant community consultation is undertaken with businesses and residents who are directly affected by the proposed changes."

NSW Police: *"This should hopefully ease the parking issue in the area."*

Local Members Representative: *"As I am not a technical person I have no comment to make about West Ryde Parking Management. Like all shop keepers and residents I will be glad when the whole project is completed and West Ryde can get back to business."*

The responses above provided the "in principle support" of the Traffic Committee, whilst the item was yet to be formally tabled at a Ryde Local Traffic Committee meeting.

Consideration

The current report UPDATE (Version 3) is a further refinement of the Version 2 report in that it addresses the need to maintain the quantum of short-term parking to be delivered to the Community that had been previously documented in the report as "ninety three (93) short-term parking spaces".

The adjustment in the parking needs was a result of operational requirements to ensure that the current traffic arrangement for NEW Betts Street would operate in such a manner to allow traffic flow in peak periods to move transition smoothly through the Town Centre (**SEPARATE ATTACHMENT – Stage 1A – Traffic Management Plan (Interim Arrangement)**).

The changes are in reference to Table 5.2 "Stage 1A & 2: Review of on-street parking restriction times of operation within a 250 metre radius", as follows:

On page 7 of the report:

UPDATED TEXT

Anthony Road (E) west of Betts Street	2P parking – Seventeen (17) car spaces	Parking restriction will be applied up until the boundary of residential property number No.21	Existing Parking Bay Edge Lines are in place.
Anthony Road (N) west of Betts Street	2P parking – Twenty (20) car spaces	Parking restriction will be applied up until the boundary of residential property number No.28/No.30	Existing Parking Bay Edge Lines are in place

On page 8 of the report

Chatham Road (S) between Betts Street and Fernvale Avenue	2P parking – Seven (7) car spaces	Parking restriction will be applied up until the boundary of residential property number No.24	Existing Parking Bay Edge Lines are in place
Dickson Avenue (N) between Chatham Road and Bellevue Avenue	2P parking – Nine (9) car spaces	Parking restriction will be applied up until the boundary of residential property number No.15	Existing “Parked in Bays ONLY” signage in place. Marked bays along both sides of the street.

UPDATED TEXT

Council has been in receipt of the following comments, from both the RTA’s representative and the NSW Police on the 24 May 2011.

RTA: *“I can confirm that the RTA has no objections to the minor changes to parking arrangements in Chatham Rd and Anthony Rd, as detailed in Version 3.”*

NSW Police: *“No concerns with the minor parking adjustment.”*

Local Members Representative: TBC

Based on the comments above, it would appear the current version of the report (Version 3) would have the support of the Voting Members of the Ryde Local Traffic Committee thus supporting, Council’s resolution in relation to the initial parking management report

Through the process of continuous improvement to optimise parking arrangements for West Ryde Town Centre, it is likely that future updates to the current report (Version 3) will be necessary.

COUNCIL PROPOSAL

The Committee confirms that the parking measures detailed in the report (West Ryde Town Centre – Parking Management Options Paper (Version 3), 23 May 2011) are appropriate for the purposes of assisting the functionality of West Ryde Town Centre, whilst construction is in progress with regards to the West Ryde Urban Village.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

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