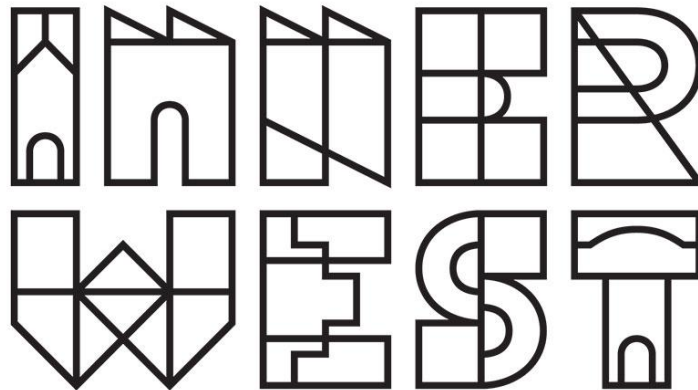


SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA 1

Distributed on 11 October 2023



LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY 16 OCTOBER 2023

11.00am

Location Ashfield Service Centre, 260 Liverpool Road, Ashfield

**MEETING AGENDA – PRECIS
SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS**

The following report appear as late item as information required for the preparation of the report was not available at the time of distribution of the Business Paper.

Parking Matters

ITEM	Page
LTC1023(1) Item 12 Fawcett Street, Balmain - Proposed 'No Parking' Restrctions (Baludarri - Balmain Ward / Balmain Electorate / Leichhardt PAC)	3

Item No: LTC1023(1) Item 12
Subject: FAWCETT STREET, BALMAIN - PROPOSED 'NO PARKING' RESTRICTIONS (BALUDARRI - BALMAIN WARD / BALMAIN ELECTORATE / LEICHHARDT PAC)
Prepared By: Amir Falamarzi - Traffic Engineer
Authorised By: Manod Wickramasinghe - Traffic and Transport Planning Manager

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the installation of 8m length 'No Parking' zone along the western side of Fawcett Street (including the repositioning of the driveway) at the rear of 14C Jane Street as shown in the attached plan be approved.
2. That the 'No Parking' signs be installed at the applicant's expense at no cost to Council.
3. That it be noted that Council is considering the implementation of a 5m length Mobility Parking Zone immediately north of the proposed 'No Parking' zone.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

This report supports the following strategic directions contained within Council's Community Strategic Plan:

2: Liveable, connected neighbourhoods and transport

BACKGROUND

The development proposed for 14C Jane Street, Balmain under DA2022/192 involves the conversion of the site into a dual occupancy and necessitates the provision of on-site parking spaces. The development seeks approval for modifications to convert an existing dwelling into a dual occupancy, which includes the construction of a new garage that would be accessed via Fawcett Street. As part of this plan, a 12.6 m length 'No Parking' zone (inclusive of the driveway) was initially proposed.

On 15 May 2023, the Local Traffic Committee considered a request to install a 12.6m 'No Parking' zone adjacent to a new driveway access at Fawcett Street.

At the meeting the proposed design of the driveway and 'No Parking' zone were deferred to address the concerns from residents regarding access, safety and loss of parking.

Subsequently a revised design has been submitted from the applicant which comprises of the following:

- Reduced 'No Parking' zone (including the driveway) from 12.6m to 8.0m, resulting in a loss of one (1) on-street parking space instead of two (2) spaces;
- Slightly widened driveway design and relocation of power pole to allow for better spacing between the proposed driveway and adjacent driveway; and
- Vehicle movement paths for a B85 design vehicle.

A copy of the revised design plan and vehicle turning assessment was provided for community feedback and is provided in the figures below.

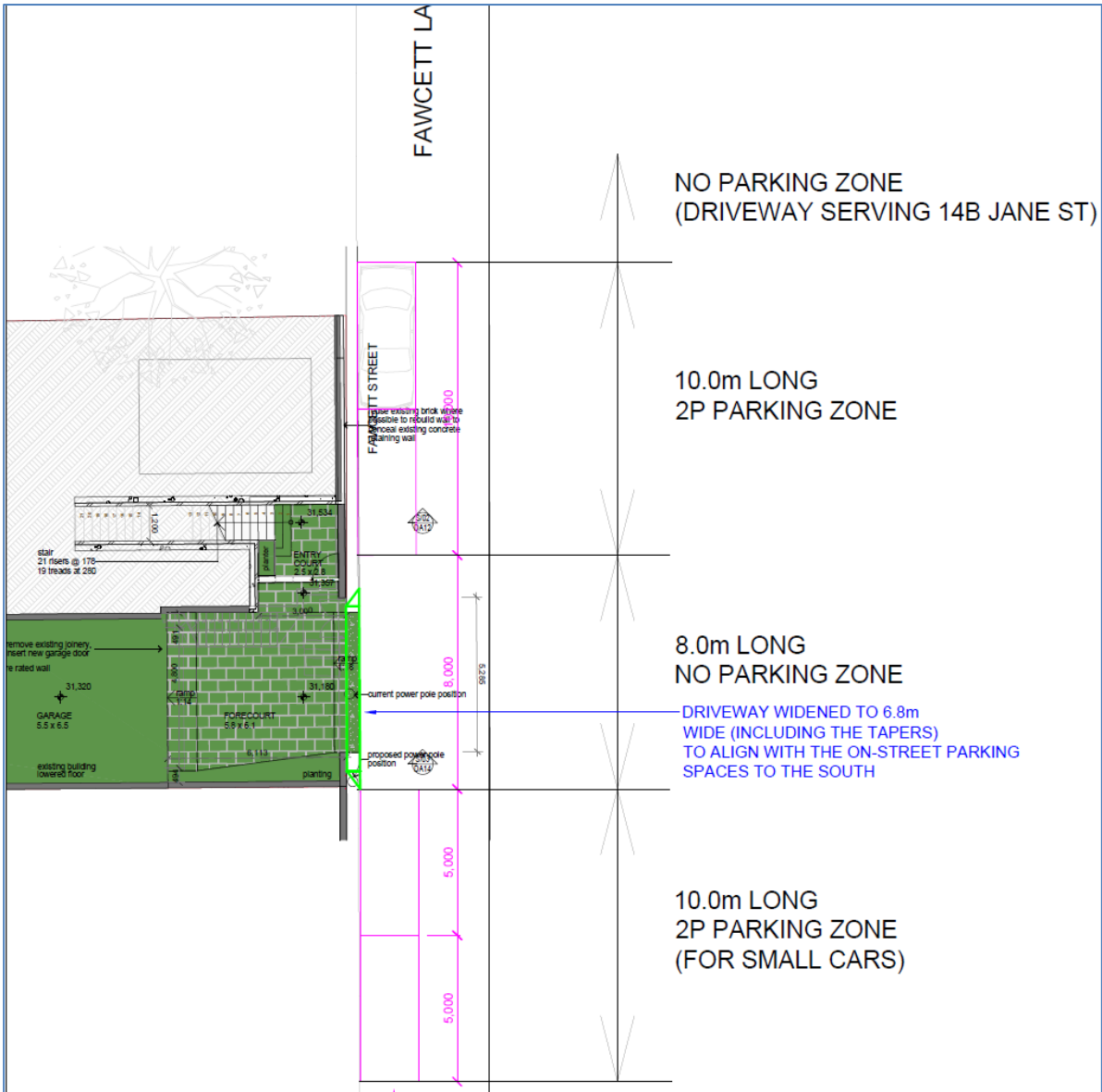


Figure 1: Design plan

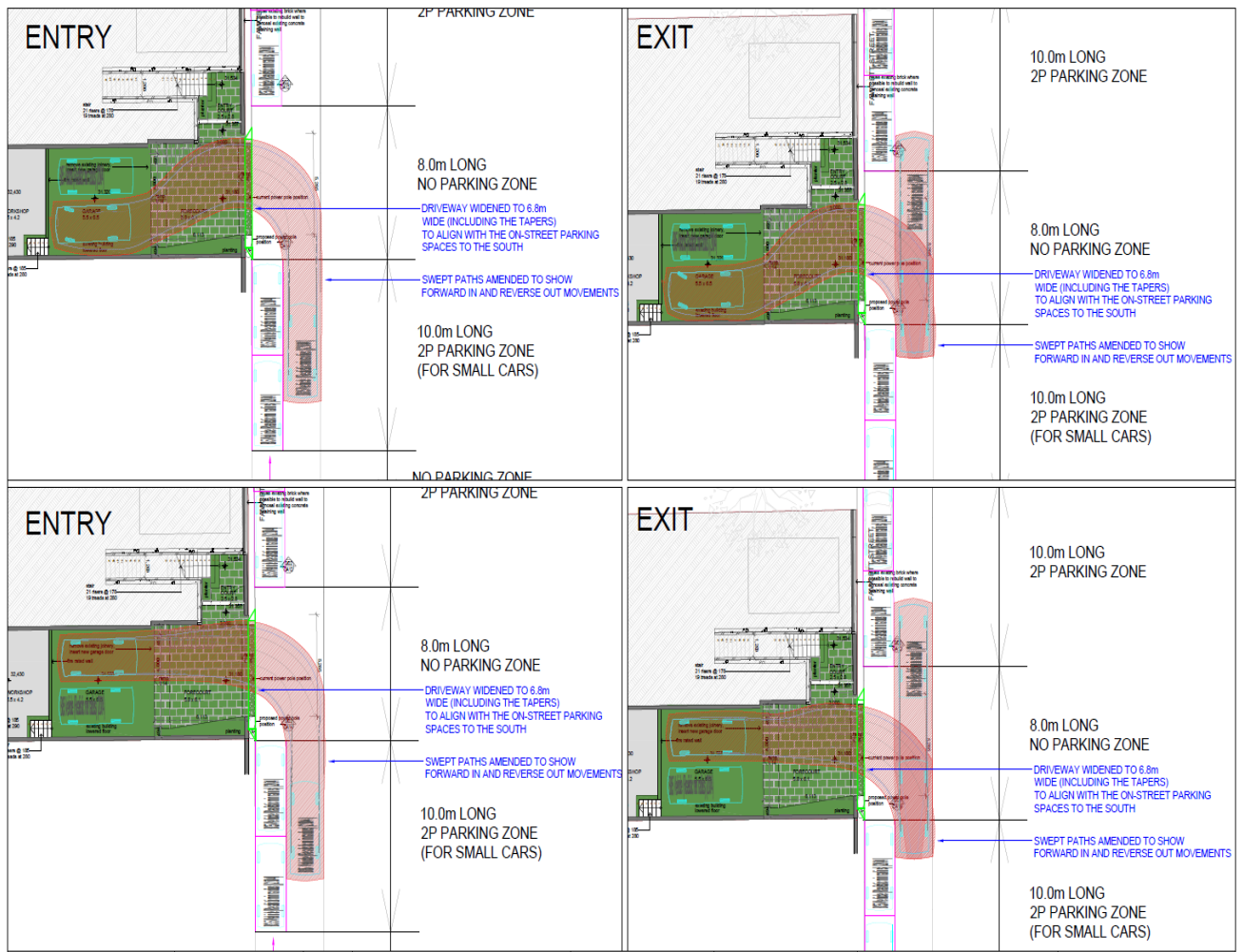


Figure 2: Swept Path assessment

DISCUSSION

A letter outlining the new proposal was mailed out to 38 residents in Fawcett Street and surrounding streets on 19 September 2023, with feedback closing 13 October 2023.

At the time of preparing this report, four (4) comments were received expressing concerns about the proposed 'No Parking' zone and the development at 14C Jane Street. The main concerns, including raised by the residents including Council officer comments are outlined in the table below:

Residents' comments	Officer Comments
<p>Children are picked up and dropped off from the school at the end of Vincent St and require parking around 9 AM and 3 PM for half an hour. In addition, Fawcett St and Gladstone St require on-street parking as most residents on both streets have no garage. The loss of parking means friends of residents has nowhere to park when they visit.</p>	<p>The revised design has now resulted of a loss of parking from two (2) spaces to one (1) space. It should be noted that the proposed development could accommodate up to three (3) off-street spaces.</p>
<p>I have a friend, who resides at Fawcett Street. She will be significantly affected if the proposed loss of parking spaces directly opposite her house is approved by the Council. She is deeply concerned about the situation and feels powerless compared to the more resourceful developers and their team of paid experts. I am therefore writing to express my support on her behalf both as a friend and concerned member of the community. Without the convenience and certainty of being able to park right in front of her home or indeed in her small street, she will be deprived of the ability to participate in the community, which plays such a crucial role in her daily life. If the proposed loss of street parking is approved, Fawcett Street will lose two highly valuable parking spaces that have been available to residents for many decades.</p>	<p>Refer to the above officer comments.</p>
<p>This proposal is wrong and is very disadvantageous to the Fawcett St residents. This proposal will significantly impact the residents of Fawcett St, their privacy and access to residential parking. The owners, 14C Jane St already have access to 2 off street parking spaces.</p>	<p>Refer to the above officer comments.</p>
<p>My mother has applied for a mobility parking zone outside her home in Fawcett St as she is no longer able to walk up the street. She relies on her car to drive to the shops and to medical appointments to maintain her independence. Pedestrian safety will be adversely affected by this proposal due to increased traffic and cars reversing out of the proposed driveway. Pedestrians in Fawcett St are obliged to walk on the roadway as there is no footpath, the street being very narrow. The loss of parking spaces is significant for the residents of Fawcett St, many of whom are elderly.</p>	<p>Refer to the above officer comments. It is noted that an application for an on-street mobility parking space in Fawcett Street is currently being considered adjacent to the subject 'No Parking' zone.</p>

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with the implementation of the proposed recommendations outlined in the report.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.