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Me Heke Ki Pōneke

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Via: fyi-request-5378-357740c1@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear ER

Re: Request for information relating to parking in the Clifton Resident area.

Thank you for your email to the Issues Resolution Office received on 14 February 2017 in which you requested information relating to parking in the Clifton Resident area.

As you asked a number of questions I will address these in the order of your email.

1) "How many resident parking permits are issued and current for the Clifton parking area?"

There are currently 484 current permits issued for the Clifton zone. Of these, 55 are coupon exemptions, and 429 are residents' permits.

2) "How many new (not renewed) permits for the Clifton resident parking area are issued per month?"

Unfortunately there is no way to ascertain whether these are renewed permits or new ones. The parking permit system doesn't differentiate between the two. As such, this information is not held.

3) "How many cars should be able to park in the Clifton resident parking area if all spaces were utilised in the proper parking manner?"

Again, this information is not held as no individual parking spaces are marked.

4) "Has consideration been given to marking out parking bays in the Clifton resident parking area in order to ensure the parking is utilised in the best manner? If not, why not?"

The Clifton parking area is not marked into individual bays as it is believed that to do so would restrict the numbers of vehicles able to use the limited parking available. A marked parking space is normally 6 meters in length and it depends on the size of the vehicle as to whether this is the best use of the available parking. It is the opinion of Council that more vehicles are able to park in the Clifton Area if it remains unmarked.

5) "Has consideration been given to implementing online, monthly renewal of parking permits so that only the number of cars that can actually fit into the Clifton resident parking area can use the area?"

Resident and coupon exemption permit applications are available on the Wellington City Council website as at the link below:

http://wellington.govt.nz/services/parking-and-roads/parking/where-you-canpark/residents-parking

Any property that falls within the eligible lists, which are available on our website, are entitled to apply for a permit. Approval is not guaranteed and applicants are subject to meeting set criteria. Council does limit a maximum of two resident permits per household or one per multi-unit dwelling and as many coupon exemptions as required.

Permits are issued by zone and are not allocated to specific streets. Permit holders can park on any street within their residential zone. These parks are there so that those residents have parks close to their home, however these spaces are not reserved and they are available for use by all Clifton permit holders. Possession of a permit does not guarantee a parking space.

6) "Do parking wardens patrol Percival St / McDonald Cres area in the evening when the cars are parked outside of resident parking and into the cul-de-sac on yellow lines and in an inconsiderate manner? What powers do they have to enforce parking laws? From my experience of driving down that street to find a parking space, they do not enforce parking laws after 4pm."

Parking wardens primarily monitor and enforce areas in the evenings on complaint. Some areas are proactively monitored if complaints become frequent. Complaints can be logged by calling Council on (04) 4994444.

Wellington City Council, as a local authority, has been given the responsibility of parking enforcement within the greater Wellington region to enforce the areas within its jurisdiction. This authority comes from Central Government.

Parking Wardens are warranted by Wellington City Council and have the right to enforce under part 128D & 128E of the Land Transport Act 1998.

Yours sincerely

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