
**NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING BUSINESS PAPER – 13 NOVEMBER 2024
QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE REPORT**

The following Questions with Notice have been received from Cr Leak:-

1. NO PARKING SIGNS – LIGHT VEHICLE PARKING AREA ON BURRAWAY STREET, NARROMINE

What is the background on the “no parking” signs in front of the new light vehicle parking area on Burraway Street, Narromine?

What is the process required to remove the “no parking” signs given the improved safety with the new parking area?

Response from Director Infrastructure and Engineering Services: -

In 2023 Council worked with bus operators and reviewed the safety of Burraway Street. There were a number of concerns around people of all ages (including children) crossing the highway at a location that has a lot of activity. To add to the activity when trucks parked on the southern side of Burraway Street the visibility for pedestrians and drivers was limited and Council staff observed several unsafe situations that could have resulted in serious incidents. To improve the safety of the area, a paper was taken to the Local Traffic Committee to recommend “no parking” signs be erected on the southern side of Burraway Street. In mid-2024 Council found funds to complete the new car park on Burraway street, increasing parking locations and providing provision for a bus stop. Council reviewed the changes and has found the increased parking and off-street bus collection to be key in increasing the safety in the area. The new parking area also has space for one vehicle of up to 19m. However, although the safety has improved there are still concerns around visibility for pedestrians crossing the road at this location and therefore the “no parking” signs are considered to be appropriate. In Council's Pedestrian and Access Mobility Plan (PAMP) one of the highest priority projects is to install a pedestrian crossing across Burraway Street, however, this project is contingent on funding.

To remove the “no parking” signs Council would need to take a business paper to the Local Traffic Committee outlining the benefits and risks of removing the signage and the Committee would need to determine the appropriate next steps. Council could take this matter to the February committee meeting.

It may also be worth noting that Council is keen to encourage truck drivers to stay out of the town centre, the only trucks that should be continuing along the highway at this point should be going out the Dandaloo Road, all other trucks should either be going down the bypass along Manildra Street (either turning South over the railway line or turning north towards Culling Street). There is a designated truck parking bay immediately south of the train line on Manildra Street that should be the designated truck parking area. There are public toilets and showers at this truck stop, approximately 200m walk from the service station.