

ITEM 5.2 ADMINISTRATOR MINUTE NO 15/2017 - CHURCH POINT

PARKING PERMIT 2017/18

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ATTACHMENTS NIL

BACKGROUND

On 27 June 2017 I adopted Council's 2017/18 Operational Plan. This included amendments to, and consolidation of, Council's Fees and Charges.

The Fees & Charges included an increase to a single Church Point Parking Permit to \$500 for residents from the 2016/17 charge of \$307, effective from 1 September 2017. This increase was determined by the former Pittwater Council following significant community engagement as part of the basis for approving the Church Point road realignment, boardwalk and new carpark project.

The intent for this increase was that it would commence when the new carpark began operation.

However as the permits commence on 1 September the Fees and Charges reflect this increase from this date as the carpark is due to come in operation this financial year.

The Scotland Island Residents Association and the West Pittwater Community Association have written to Council in a joint letter seeking a review of the fees and a delay of the planned increase until the carpark is in operation.

Council staff have raised this issue with me and recommended that Council delay the introduction of the increased charge to the 2018/19 financial year. Another option considered is to delay the introduction until March 2018 as this is when the new carpark is forecast to open.

The basis of this request from staff is that the current civil infrastructure works are ongoing within the precinct and that the community is being inconvenienced during the construction. The request was also made in recognition of the proactive and collaborative contribution and support from the Church Point Aesthetic Advisory Group who are volunteering their time to assist in bringing a great outcome to the precinct as a whole.

I agree with the recommendation from staff and propose to delay the introduction of the increased fee. This involves revoking the fee associated with the permit and reverting back to the 2016/17 rate, plus the 2.9% increase required as per the Plan of Management for Church Point Reserve, making the 2017/2018 fee \$316.

Given that this change was driven from an adoption of Council this Administrator's Minute is formally required under the Local Government Act to amend the adoption.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- A Delay the introduction of the planned increase to the Church Point Parking Permit for residents to 2018/19
- B. Amend the Fees and Charges 2017/18 in regards to:
 - a. Church Point Reserve & Precinct "Residents only Full Year 01 September 31 August (no guaranteed space)" to be reduced from \$500 to \$316
 - Remove the fee associated with "Residents only Second Permit Full Year 01 September - 31 August - there is no guaranteed space"
- C. Proactively seek to reimburse the balance to any customers who have paid for a Church



Point Parking Permit for residents under the 2017/18 Fees and Charges

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