8.11. 15mins Free Parking Trial - Parraween Street Cremorne - Outcomes Report

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1. Parraween St - Have Your Say - 15 mins Free Parking Submissions 2020-21 [8.11.1 - 8 pages]

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the outcomes of the 15-minute free parking trial in Parraween Street, Cremorne and the results of the community survey that was undertaken.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At its meeting on 26 August 2019, Council resolved to conduct a 12-month trial of 15-minute free parking in Parraween Street, Cremorne (EPS02, Min. No.238). The trial comprised 116 metered spaces in Parraween Street, Cremorne.

Further to the resolution of Council to trial 15minute "Free Parking" in Parraween Street, Council also resolved at its meeting on 21 March 2021, Mayoral Minute (Min. No. 8.2) to defer the trialing of 15-minute free parking at its entire network of 443 parking meters until the trial in Cremorne is complete and the new contract for On-Street Parking Management is awarded.

This report provides Council with detail information on the outcomes of the trial, including the impacts on parking utilisation in Parraween Street, revenue impacts and the results of the community survey that was undertaken during the trial.

The report recommends that Council continues to apply the "15-minute free parking" to the 116 x metered bays in Parraween Street, Cremorne only and that this initiative is not applied to Councils entire Parking Meter network for another 2 years to ascertain if the network can recover to pre pandemic utilisation levels.

The report also outlines the impacts that the introduction of "30minute" free parking would have in Parraween Street if that initiative was to be introduced.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

As a direct result of the COVID-19 Pandemic, Council's overall parking meter utilisation and accompanying revenue over the last three (3) financial years is down by between 30-35% compared to pre COVID –19 financial years.

For example, in 2018/19 Councils total Parking Meter Revenue for the year was \$9,786,143. In 2019/20 this reduced to \$8,337,196 and again reduced to \$7,860,000 in 2020/21 as a direct result of the impact of COVID 19.

The stay at home and work from home Public Health Orders have dramatically reduced the number of people who come and work and or visit North Sydney and its Village Centres. Workers and visitors coming to North Sydney are the single biggest users of the Council's Parking Meter network. Over 85% of the Parking Meter network is utilised on a daily basis by workers and visitors to the LGA.

This financial year's Parking Meter Revenue Forecast is \$6,250,000.

The cost to Council in Revenue foregone as a result of applying 15minute free parking across the entire network of Council's 443 parking meters (2770 metered spaces) is estimated on Pre COVID figures as \$211,303 per annum or \$17,608 a month.

The actual cost to Council in Revenue foregone as a result of applying 15minute free parking to the 116 x metered spaces in Parraween Street since it was introduced on 17 August 2020 is approximately \$130 a month. For the same period – Pre COVID the revenue forgone would have been \$1,779.60 per annum or \$148.30 a month based on historical data that Council has for these 116 x metered spaces.

Note: These monetary figures for revenue foregone only include Parking Meter revenue and not any potential PINs (Parking Infringement Notices) that would have been issued as a result of overstays. Parking Infringement Revenue foregone is not included in any of these revenue figures.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council continues to apply the "15-minute free parking" to the 116 x metered bays in Parraween Street, Cremorne only.

2.THAT due to the impacts of COVID-19 on Council's Parking Meter utilisation and accompanying revenue over the last 3 years, the proposed trial of "15minute Free Parking" across the rest of Councils Parking Meter Network be deferred for a minimum of 2 years to assess whether the network can recover to pre pandemic utilisation levels.

3. THAT Council notes in the recent Expression of Interest (EOI) for Council's next generation "On Street Parking Management System" and future contract, the ability to have "15-minute free parking" was built into the Project Brief as a key deliverable.

LINK TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The relationship with the Community Strategic Plan is as follows:

- 2. Our Built Infrastructure
- 2.1 Infrastructure and assets meet community needs
- 2.4 Improved traffic and parking management
- 3. Our Future Planning
- 3.3 North Sydney is smart and innovative

BACKGROUND

At its meeting on 26 August 2019, Council resolved to conduct a 12-month trial of 15-minute free parking in Parraween Street, Cremorne (EPS02, Min. No.238). To facilitate this trial under the current Parking Meter Contract, sensors have been installed in all metered parking bays in Parraween Street and the software and systems were upgraded for the 15-minute free parking. Council at the same time also commenced a survey to facilitate feedback about the trial. The trial comprised 116 x metered spaces in Parraween Street, Cremorne.

Further to the resolution of Council to trial 15minute "Free Parking" in Parraween Street, Council also resolved at its meeting on 21 March 2021, Mayoral Minute (Min. No. 8.2): the following:

Recommending:

- **1. THAT** Council defers the trialing of 15-minute free parking at its 443 parking meters until:
 - a) The 15-minute free parking trial in Cremorne is completed; and
 - b) the new contract for On-Street Parking Management is awarded.
- **2. THAT** Council notes the new On-Street Parking Management Contract will be going to tender in August 2021 and it will include provisions for the ability to enable 15-minute free parking functionality.

The financial and operational implications of introducing 15minute free parking in Parraween Street was modelled on the same criteria and on street parking environment that operates in other Council areas currently offering free parking. The City of Sydney and Brisbane City Council offer 15-minute free parking in selected locations using ticket and or pay by plate machines. City of Sydney have assigned 15-minute free parking to approximately 10% of their metered spaces in selected village areas only.

It is important to note that as a result of the impact from the COVID-19 Pandemic Crisis and the flow on effect it had on business activities within the North Sydney LGA, the utilisation of Councils parking meter network and accompanying income is down by over 30% compared to Pre-COVID-19 Pandemic levels.

The stay at home and work from home Public Health Orders have dramatically reduced the number of people who come to work and or visit North Sydney and its Village Centres. Workers and visitors coming to North Sydney are the single biggest users of Councils Parking Meter network. Over 85% of the Parking Meter network is utilised on a daily basis by workers and visitors to the LGA.

Survey Results

Summary 15-minute Free Parking Trial - Survey Results

Council has undertaken a survey on the 15 minute "Free Parking Trial" in Parraween Street Cremorne from 26 August 2020 to 19 December 2021. Council received 46 responses, all of which supported free parking.

In summary:

- 24 supported 15mins Free Parking.
- 22 supported more than 15mins Free Parking which included specific requests as follows:
 - 14 prefer 30mins Free Parking.
 - 1 wants no meters and 2P Free Parking.
 - remaining wanting 20mins or just more free time.

Based on the survey, 48% of responders that support "more than 15 minutes" free parking, 64% of these responders requested "30 minutes free parking".

Council should note that some submissions suggested that the "Free Parking Trial period" be extended to either 20 or even 30minutes "Free Parking"

See attachment for Survey responses and comments.

DETAIL

Changes in Parking Utilisation (Turnover – Capacity Overstays) – as a result of the introduction of "15minute Free Parking" in Parraween Street Cremorne

Parking utilisation data was collected prior to and during the 15-minute free parking trial of the 116 metered bays in Parraween Street, Cremorne. This data was collected outside of school holidays and during fine weather. The data was sourced using two methods.

 Roar Data Pty Ltd – survey data collection consultant was engaged to conduct a total of eight (8) surveys during October and November 2019, November 2020 and November 2021. For each survey, parking utilisation or vehicle occupancy was recorded at 15-minute intervals between 8:00am and 9:00pm on a Thursday and Saturday to cover the following time periods:

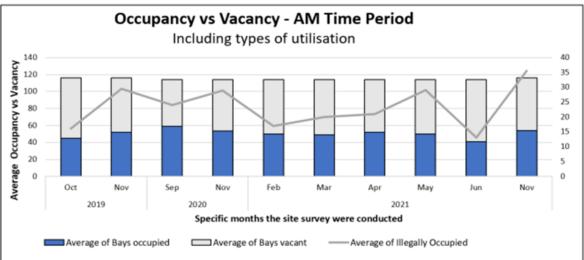
AM – 8:30am to 11:00am MIDDAY – 11:00am to 2:00pm PM – 2:00pm to 6:00pm EVENING – 6:00pm to 9:00pm

2. A second set of data was collected internally by a Council officer during weekdays between 8:30am and 5pm. The data was captured once during each allocated time period. A total of 14 surveys of this type were conducted between September and November 2020, and February to November 2021.

The two datasets were combined for a comparative analysis of pre 15minute "Free Parking" period, specifically looking at turnover and revenue, compared to the period during the 15minute "Free Parking" trial.

In addition, to validate the accuracy of the data, payment details were cross-checked with the Parking Management System (PEMS) and Council's resident parking permit records, to determine if parking spaces were legally or illegally occupied.

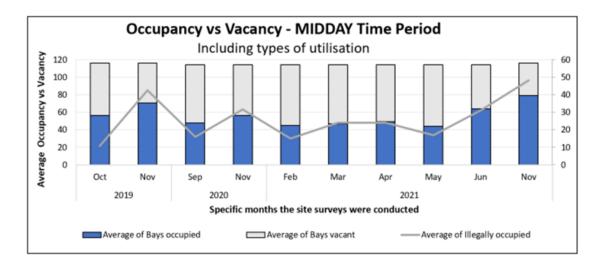
Council's data collection indicates no change to AM parking occupancy since the trial began mid-August 2020, with occupancy rates remaining within 40 – 50%. Refer to Graph 1.



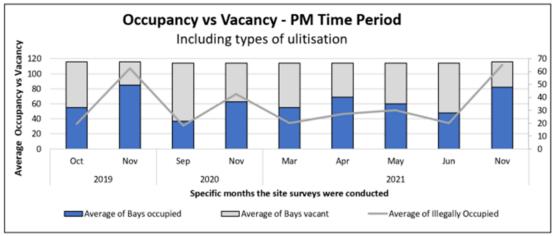
Graph1. AM Occupancy – Weekdays only

There was a slight reduction in parking occupancy during the MIDDAY time period in September 2020, which remained steady at around 40% to 50% until November 2021. This reduction in occupancy reflects the impacts that COVID-19 was having across the Parking Meter network at the time with the "Stay at home" Public Health Orders. Refer to Graph 2.

Graph 2. Midday Occupancy – Weekdays & Saturday AM

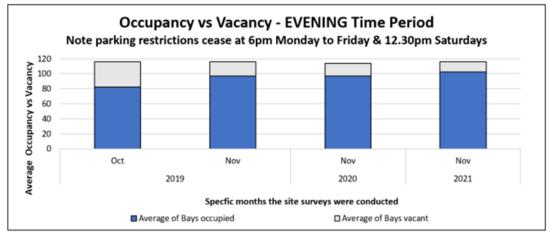


Similarly, the PM time period indicated a reduction in occupancy rates from over 70% in November 2019 to a low of almost 30% in September 2020. Refer to Graph 3.



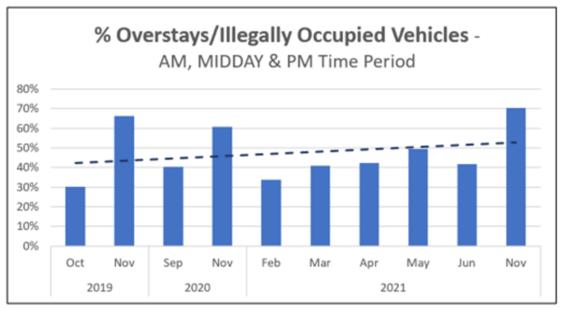
Graph 3. PM Occupancy – Weekdays and to Saturday 12.30pm

EVENING occupancy increased from October to November 2019. It should be noted that parking restrictions for the trial area (116 metered spaces), cease from 6pm Monday to Friday, 12.30pm Saturdays and all-day Sundays – so PM (Evening Occupancy) is unaffected by the trial. Refer to 4



Graph 4. Evening Occupancy After 6pm – Weekdays & Saturday

The number of overstays/illegally occupied vehicles recorded in the 15 minute "Free Parking" Trial Area is trending upwards between 10-20% when comparing 2019 and 2020 pre-trial data. Since February 2021 there has been quite a significant increase in the number of illegally occupied vehicles, due to the COVID-19 restrictions being relaxed. Refer to Graph 5.



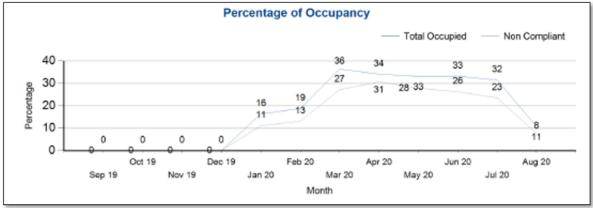
Graph 5. Overstay Data

This trend suggests that people use this area for parking are taking advantage of the 15minute "Free Parking" and are staying longer (Overstaying). Overstaying reduces turnover and the opportunity for other people to park in the area.

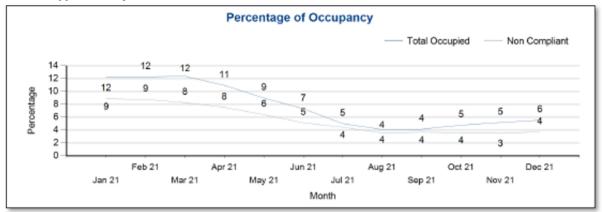
The following graphs outline the Monthly Average for Occupancy and Turnover – BEFORE and AFTER the 15mins Free Parking functionality went live: *Refer to graphs 6.1 and 6.2*

Comparing the **Occupancy** BEFORE (Graph 6.1) and AFTER (Graph 6.2) indicates occupancy declined 21% per space per month since "15mins Free function" went live. This is due to the impacts of COVID –19 which has seen a reduction in the utilisation of Parking Meters across the entire network by between 30-35% compared to pre-pandemic levels.

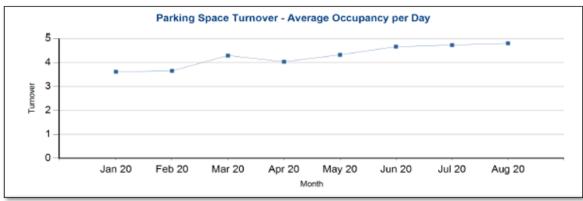




Graph 6.2 - OCCUPANCY % per space - AFTER 15mins Free Parking functionality was released at 116 spaces Finding - Occupancy averaged 7.7% per space per month – comparing before the "15mins Free" was released indicates a decline approximately 21%



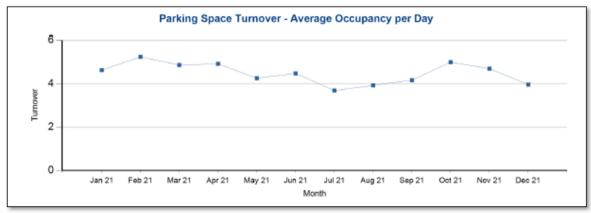
Comparing the **Turnover** BEFORE (Graph 6.3) and AFTER (Graph 6.4) indicates slight increase in turnover of 6.2% since "15mins Free function" went live. Indicating a slight increase in people who utilise the spaces for a "short term".



Graph 6.3 - TURNOVER - BEFORE 15mins Free Parking was released at 116 spaces Finding - Average turnover - 4.23 per space per month

Graph 6.4 - TURNOVER - AFTER 15mins Free Parking functionality was released at 116 spaces

Finding - Average turnover - 4.49 per space per month - slight increase 6.2% comparing before the "15mins Free" release



Graphs 6.3 and 6.4 show the comparative data for before the" free" 15minute parking trial was introduced and the results during the trial. The results show a small increase in turnover by 6.2% per car per space. This small increase in "short term" turnover is mostly due to the impacts of COVID-19 on the utilisation of Council's Parking Meters and secondly the number of" Overstays" increasing (10-20% increase) reducing "short term" parking availability on the street.

Revenue Foregone – as a result of the introduction of 15minute "Free Parking" in Parraween Street Cremorne

The following tables have been prepared to outline the impacts that the introduction of 15minute and 30minute "Free Parking" would have on Council's Parking Meter Revenue overall and also specifically at the 14 parking meters servicing 116-meter spaces in Parraween Street.

These figures are based on "Pre COVID-19 revenue figures for Table 1. All Council's 443 parking meters (2770 metered spaces) and Table 2. Parraween Street – 14 parking meters (116 metered spaces).

Table 1 – ALL North Sydney Council parking meters

Cost (\$)
\$211,303.16
\$17,608.60
-\$3,352.00
-33,332.00

Below outlines the average income "30mins & under"	
Activities – 1 March 2019 and 28 February 2020 (Pre COVID-19 Figures)	Cost (\$)
Estimated revenue forgone per annum. This is based on data from 12 months	
between 1 March 2019 and 28 February 2020 where customers have paid "30	
minutes or less".	
The total number of customers that have paid into Council's parking meter	
bays for " 30 minutes or less " is 597,523 (based on number of transactions).	
The total number of customers that have paid into Council's parking meter	
bays over the same period is 1,905,857 so this represents 20% of total usage	
/ utilisation of Council's parking meter network.	
Average revenue foregone loss (1 year)	\$1,096,881.32
Average revenue foregone loss (monthly)	\$91,406.78
Average monthly revenue foregone loss comparison within	\$22,760,00
"30mins & under" since COVID	-\$22,760.00

Table 2 – Parraween Street parking meters ONLY (116 x metered spaces)

\$ comparison between "15 mins & under" and "30 mins & under".

Below outlines the average income "15mins & under"	
Activities – 1 March 2019 and 28 February 2020 (Pre COVID-19 Figures)	Cost (\$)
Estimated revenue forgone per annum. This is based on data from 12 months between 1 March 2019 and 28 February 2020 where customers have paid "15 minutes or less".	
The total number of customers that have paid into Council's parking meter bays in Parraween Street for "15minutes or less" is 2,787 (based on number of transactions).	

The total number of customers that have paid into Council's parking meter bays in Parraween Street over the same period is 46,033 so this represents 6%	
of total usage / utilisation of Council's parking meter network.	
Average revenue foregone loss (1 year)	\$1,779.60
Average revenue foregone loss (monthly)	\$148.30
Average monthly revenue foregone loss since	-\$130.63
"15mins Free Parking" installed	-3120.02

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The total number of customers that have paid into Council's parking meter	
bays in Parraween Street over the same period is 46,033 so this represents	
21% of total usage / utilisation of Council's parking meter network.	
Average revenue foregone loss (1 year)	\$10,178.52
Average revenue foregone loss (monthly)	\$848.21
Average monthly revenue foregone loss since	-\$613.97
"15mins Free Parking" was installed	

Summary of Trial Data collected

As a result of the introduction of the "15mins Free Parking" Trial, the occupancy in the 116 x metered spaces has actually declined by 21% and the turnover has increased only slightly by 6.2% when comparing the PRE "15mins Free Parking" occupancy and turnover data.

The reduction in occupancy can be directly attributed to the impacts that COVID-19 has had on the utilisation of Council's Parking Meter network which is down by 30-35%. In addition, there has been a corresponding increase in illegal/overstays in the trial area as indicated in Graphs 6.3 and 6.4. This trending upward in "Overstay behaviour" suggests that when people do park in this area, they are taking advantage of the 15minute "Free Parking" and staying longer than 15minutes.

What is also clear from these results is that if Council considers extending the "free parking" period from 15 to 30 minutes anywhere across its network of Parking Meters, it will have a detrimental effect on turnover and "Overstay behaviour". People would take advantage of the "Free" parking period and "Overstay". Reduced turnover and increasing "Overstay behaviour" denies those people who utilise the 15minute "Free Parking" to buy a coffee, pick up takeaway and the like, driving them away to make their purchases elsewhere which would impact upon local businesses.

Since the trial began in August 2020, the actual cost to Council in Revenue foregone as a result of applying "15minute free parking" to the 116 x metered spaces in Parraween Street is

approximately \$130 a month. For the same period – Pre COVID, the revenue forgone would have been \$1,779.60 per annum or \$148.30 a month based on historical data that Council has for these 116 x metered spaces.

The estimate of revenue foregone if 15minute "free Parking" was increased to 30minute Free Parking for the 116 x spaces in Parraween St is \$848 per month, or \$10,000 per annum with an accompanying increase in potential "Overstays" or simply a reduction in available parking spaces in the street.

These figures maybe relatively small for this stand-alone area, but they are significant in that they represent what a broader effect on turnover (Parking availability) and revenue would be if 15 minute "Free Parking" is applied across all of Council's 443 parking meters (2770 metered spaces).

It is clear from these results that the "15mins free parking" achieves some of the desired effect on parking utilisation and turnover with a consequence being higher incidences of short term "Overstays" (between 10-20% increase) being reported. The results do clearly indicate that an increase to 30mins "Free Parking" would have the opposite effect on parking utilisation and turnover in Parraween Street and also across the LGA and should not be considered.

CONCLUSION

Overall, there was strong support to retain the "15minute Free Parking" in the 116 x metered spaces in Parraween Street, Cremorne and therefore it is recommended in this report that the "15minute Free Parking" remain in place.

The overall parking turnover and capacity is only marginally impacted in this section of Parraween Street as a result of the introduction of "15minute Free Parking" of approx. 6.2% increase in turnover. The cost to Council in revenue foregone as a total percentage of the overall parking meter revenue is also very small – less than 1% or \$1,779.60 per annum.

The introduction of 15mins "free" parking in this area (116 metered spaces) has also resulted in an increase in overstays (10-20% increase) compared to pre-trial data.

It is not recommended to increase the "Free Parking" to 30minutes in this section of Parraween Street or across the LGA because of the demonstrated impacts on Parking turnover, availability and overstaying as well as revenue impacts. Overall turnover and parking capacity for all street parking users in this section of Parraween Street would be significantly impacted if "30minute Free Parking" was introduced. It can be accurately predicted that "Overstays" would increase to 50% or more and the revenue forgone to Council would be in the order of \$10,178.52 per annum.

To address the Mayoral Minute (Min. No. 8.2) and resolution of Council of 21 March 2021, this report is also recommending that due to the impacts of COVID-19 on Council's Parking Meter utilisation over the last 3 years, the application of 15minute "Free Parking" across

selected parts or even the entire parking meter network of Council be deferred for a minimum of two (2) years. This two-year period would allow Council enough time to assess accurately whether the network can recover to pre pandemic utilisation levels or whether the workplace and business environment has changed permanently in the North Sydney LGA because of the impacts of COVID-19.

Council is also to note that in the recent Expression of Interest (EOI) for Council's next generation "On Street Parking Management System" and future contract, the ability to have "15-minute free parking" was built into the Project Brief and Proposed Systems criteria

Parraween Street, Cremorne - 15-minutes free parking meter trial

Submissions received during public exhibition period between 26 August 2020 – 19 December 2021

Outcome of survey - Note all responders accepted that they read and understood Council's Privacy Statement. Only one responder requested that their details be withheld. A copy of the Privacy Statement has been included at end of this survey summary document.

46 submissions were received and all supported Free Parking. In summary:

- 1. 24 supported 15mins Free Parking.
- 2. 22 supported more than 15mins Free Parking. (14 prefer 30mins free; 1 wants no meters & 2P FREE and remaining want 20mins or just more free time)

No.	Name and Address	Issue/Theme	Key Points Raised - Comments	Criteria
1	89 Bent St	In favour of free parking.		FREE
2	Rachel Thompson 1 Prospect Avenue	In favour of free parking.		FREE
3	130 Spencer Rd	In favour of free parking.	Good initiative to assist local business.	FREE
4	Helena 17 Hayes Street	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 20 minutes.	While I support this initiative, which will help the local businesses somewhat, it would be more beneficial for the businesses to extend the 15 minutes to 20 minutes.	More than 15 FREE 20
5	Jane Hagan 220 Falcon Street (Unit 11) North Sydney	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 30 minutes.	Please consider making the 15 minutes free from when you attend the meter. Furthermore, could council please consider allowing half an hour free parking. Remember, this is suppose to compensate people for the free parking that was lost on Military Road - if you are visiting a shop on Military Road, especially the south side, it would take ten minutes to walk to a business and back to your car, not leaving much time to do anything at all.	More than 15 FREE 30
6	Fergus Maclagan 110 Alfred Street Milsons Point 2061	In favour of free parking.		FREE

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7	Name and address withheld	In favour of free parking.		FREE
8	Diana Coffey 72 Ellalong Rd	In favour of free parking.	I use the free 15-minute parking to drop my child at Jiu Jitsu on Military Rd but now that it's available, I also stop more often to use other businesses in the area because it's free and convenient and there's usually ample parking. I have recently (in the last two weeks) stopped and picked up from Fratelli Fresh, Vintage Cellars, Barrel Bar & Dining and Don Anan coffee because I knew I could park quickly and run in.	FREE
9	30 Ryries Pde	In favour of free parking.	It is an excellent idea to allow very short term free parking as there are many times when I need to make a pick up or drop off or simply collect something which takes a few minutes. I would like to see more of this in the whole of Sydney.	FREE
10	Phil Worrall 32 Montague Rd	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 20 to 30 minutes.	Extension to 20 or 30 mins, to permit walk to premises(incl traffic crossing), brief confer/chat, collect docseven short shop (mainly south side) for northside residents. Wld reduce traffic and pollution impact of the drive-across to southside	More than 15 FREE 20 - 30
11	14 Montague Rd	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 20 to 30 minutes.	I think it should be increased to 20 or 30 minutes. 15 minutes does NOT give you enough time to get across the street to the shops and back especially if you are elderly. Locals Should be Excempt from paying anything for parking.	More than 15 FREE 20 - 30
12	29 Gerard St	In favour of free parking.		FREE
13	Peter Young 61 Parraween St	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 30 minutes.	Should be 30 minutes	More than 15 FREE 30
14	Kate DUFALL 40 Macpherson St	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 30 minutes.	Consideration should be given to extend the 15 min free parking to 30 minutes as there is barely time to access the majority of the businesses from Parraween St parking.	More than 15 FREE 30
15	11 Euroka Street	In favour of free parking.		FREE

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16	Garry Webb 58 Murdoch	In favour of free parking.		FREE
17	123 Eastern Valley Way	In favour of free parking.	Especially useful as I'm often picking up or dropping off kids from the movie theatre.	FREE
18	Greg Johnson 2 Langley Ave - Unit 403	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 20 minutes and Park'nPay app.	Given the time it will take a person to park their car, lock up and leave their car, walk to the meter and engage with the meter, I suggest increasing to 20 minutes free parking. As it stands, a person could easily spend 5 of their 15 minutes just parking and interacting with the meter. I also suggest council consider adopting the Park'n'Pay NSW app, used by Mosman Council and other councils. This app makes paying for parking MUCH easier.	More than 15 FREE 20
19	6 Prospect Avenue	In favour of free parking.		FREE
20	PJ Williams 25 Parraween St	In favour of free parking.	I live on the street and the free 15 min helps when receiving deliveries	FREE
21	C Podolinsky 27 Harrison Street	In favour of free parking.	this is an excellent idea ans should be introduced in other retail areas in North Sydney council, it encourages people to shop in local businesses without overstaying therefore allowing a high turnover and increases interest in using these business rather than an alternative business that offers free parking	FREE
22	27 Harrison Street	In favour of free parking.	A short term free parking arrangement is an effective strategy for cycling available parking spaces to the largest number of people - the system as tested still allows for a stay up to the maximum allowed paid time, should that become necessary. Perfect.	FREE
23	JAMES DRYSDALE MCBEAN 21 Parraween Street	In favour of free parking.	It is an excellent change and is making more spaces available for short term visits and purchases.	FREE

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24	Lesley Sommerville 75 Benelong Rd	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 30 minutes.	I want the 15 minutes retained, but I want more than 15 minutes. 15 minutes is not long enough to park, get across Military Rd to the shops at Cremorne Town Centre, and get back across Military Road, especially as the time starts from the minute the vehicle enters the space. At the last Mayoral election, the Mayor promised 30 minutes of free parking for residents. A broken promise. The parking meters were introduced years ago as a temporary measure to raise revenue to be used by North Sydney Council to submit a DA to itself for the development of the Parraween Street Carpark/Early Childhood Health Centre site. The development has still not eventuated - where has the revenue gone??? Parking spaces at the Parraween Street Carpark are generally hard to come by, as Council's public carpark is being used as private carpark by the Mercedes Benz dealership in Macpherson Street, as are other free on- street spaces in Macpherson St, Langley Ave and Gerard St. Not illegal but not being a good corporate citizen. At any time of day you can see Mercedes employees shuffling cars from the carpark and streets back to the office pick-up areas. Cars are frequently parked in the public carpark all day. Maybe NSC Rangers could patrol the carpark and surrounding streets more regularly. Give us 30 minutes minimum, but 60 minutes would be better. Give the parking back to the local residents, and not a commercial business.	More than 15 FREE 30
25	Wayne Lewis 61 Parraween Street	In favour of free parking.	It is needed to keep the community feel. We are not and do not want to be Balmoral Beach!!	FREE
26	Don Brown 402 Parraween	In favour of free parking.		FREE
27	59 Parraween Street	In favour of free parking.		FREE

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28	Dael Lane 38 Parraween Street	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking.	Too short a time to do anything meaningful in the area and shops need as much help as they can get to keep going and keep the community functioning normally. What happened to the promise to build a multi level carpark?	More than 15 FREE
29	Jane Barnes 61 Parraween Street	In favour of free parking.	we need to keep business in this area to retain the community the free park makes me consider using places like the laundry	FREE
30	59 Parraween	In favour of free parking.		FREE
31	15 Langley Avenue	In favour of free parking.		FREE
32	Philippa Pritchett 5959 Parraween St, Apartment 301	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 30 minutes.	The businesses in the Cremorne area suffer because of lack of available free parking. I suggest half an hour free parking, just like Mosman Council has in its shopping centre. We don't want commuters parking here all day, so I agree that parking restrictions are necessary. As a resident of Parraween St, I would prefer that my family and friends could drop off/pop in to see me, with a half hour free parking time restriction.	More than 15 FREE 30
33	Barbara Osborne 9 Baden Road, Kurraba Point 2089	In favour of free parking. Comments unrelated to Parraween St free parking trial.	I appreciate the work that has been done in North Sydney BUT don't ruin it by further high rise in the non- commercial areas. To pull down houses ad lib all over the suburbs ruins the heritage in many areas and I strongly object to the Council giving so much leeway to the high rise developers. St	FREE
34	Ros Fletcher 59 Parraween Street Cremorne	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking.	15 minutes is not long enough, if one of my family come to drop anything off it requires more time to do so. Not enough parks available now theatre & restaurants have reopened!! Trucks delivering stock to businesses take up lots of spaces, needs to be better planned.	More than 15 FREE
35	Ken Frye 47 Reynolds St	Against paid parking. WANT 2 hr free	Parking meters should be removed from Parraween St altogether and a two hour free parking be introduced. This will assist local business in attracting more customers. Revenue to council will not be greatly impacted as the	More than 15 FREE

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			street has very few vehicles parked during the day. IGA shoppers on the North side of Military Rd have to travel down Military Rd to access the free parking whereas they would more likely park in Parraween St if it was free. The parking meters were introduced to help fund redevelopment of the Parraween St car park which is not going to proceed therefore council has no justification for retaining the meters.	
36	1 Paling Street	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 30 minutes.	30 minutes free would be better as 15 minutes is too short	More than 15 FREE 30
37	Robyn Lilienthal 11 Ellalong Rd Cremorne 2090	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking.	I find the 15 min is not long enough to shop and appointments. I think as a local resident I should have more time to support my local businesses.	More than 15 FREE 30
38	Wayne Cahill 53 Ellalong Rd	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 30 minutes.	Should be extended to 30 minutes. 15 minutes is too short	More than 15 FREE 30
39	Evelyn 4 Wonga Road, Cremorne	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 30 minutes.	15 minutes isn't long enough 30 mins better because we've lost parking on Military Road	More than 15 FREE 30
40	Peter Moor 4 Rangers Road	In favour of free parking. Comments unrelated to Parraween St free parking trial.	Make Military Road a clearway 24/7 to deal with the impossible traffic situation created by council continually approving more and more high density housing. Every approval to erect a multi floor apartment block adds more cars to Military Road.	FREE
41	81 Gerard St	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 30 minutes.	15 minutes is too short a time to transact business in a local shop. The time should be increased to 30 minutes as was originally planned	More than 15 FREE 30
42	Pamela Wall 81 81A Gerard Street, Cremorne	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking.	15 minutes free parking is not long enough. By the time you find a park and wait for the lights to change to cross Military Road, that period is up. There is no time left to visit local businesses, which is meant to be the purpose of the scheme.	More than 15 FREE
43	Sher Canny 26 Illiliwa Street, Cremorne	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 30 minutes.	Am in favour of a free parking period for locals but 15 mins is too short esp if one has to cross Military Rd. We were promised 30 mins so why 15 mins now. It is pretty useless considering how many park spaces have been lost.	More than 15 FREE 30

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44	Rob McKay 8 Parraween Street	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 30 minutes.	Receiving visitors and deliveries 15 minutes is insufficient - please extend to 30 minutes AS PREVIOUSLY PROMISED. Please also advise as to the future of the parking meters on Parraween Street. They were originally installed to help fund the Parraween Street carpark development. However, the only information coming from Council regarding this development is that it will NOT proceed. Therefore, why are the parking meters still in situ? Please respond.	More than 15 FREE 30
45	Willoughby Precinct	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 20 or 30 minutes.	Precinct noted that submissions on trial close 31 Aug. After discussion Precinct commends this facility trial and indeed suggests the time limit be extended to 20 or 30 minutes, better to permit resident parking for foot access to main shops across Military Rd.	More than 15 FREE 20 - 30
46	Brightmore Precinct	Requesting more than 15 minutes free parking. Suggesting 30 minutes.	Comments by Attendees - The parking meters were introduced years ago as a temporary measure to raise revenue to be used by North Sydney Council for the development of the Parraween Street Carpark/Early Childhood Health Centre site, which has not eventuated. The installation of parking meters was contingent upon this development. When will this development go ahead? - At the last Mayoral election, the Mayor promised 30 minutes of free parking for residents. - 15 minutes is not long enough to get across to the other side of Military Rd shops and back again. - 30 minutes minimum required - Many of the free 15 minute parking spaces are being used by delivery vehicles, despite there being dedicated loading zones along the street. - DA 85/21 Review of hours of operation of paint supply shop at 89 Parraween Street, to allow hours of operation Monday to Saturday 6am - 6pm, Sunday 7am - 6pm. This will generate significantly more delivery vehicles and general traffic. Request to restrict delivery vehicles to before 10.00 am. The following MOTIONS were put to the meeting and passed UNANIMOUSLY. 1. Brightmore Precinct requests an update on the status of the proposed development of the Parraween Street Carpark/Early Childhood Health Centre 2. To restrict delivery vehicles for the paint supply shop at 89 Parraween Street to before 10.00 am 3. Minimum of 30 minutes free parking be provided	More than 15 FREE 30

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