

# Living Streets Aotearoa



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## Submission to Wellington City Council on November 2021 Traffic Resolutions

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit on these resolutions, as listed at <https://wellington.govt.nz/have-your-say/public-inputs/consultations/open/traffic-resolutions-november-2021>

### 1. General comments

There are often many traffic resolutions to increase or refine the area of no stopping zones through use of broken yellow lines. This helps vehicle traffic flow better but may perversely increase the amount of footpath parking, as vehicle users try to accommodate their fellows. With the new Parking Policy now in force, can we please specifically target these areas for enforcement to bed in any changes for a period of a month or so after the change has been made. For instance, TR 113-21 shows a car illegally parked on footpath and green berm on Duthie St. TR123-21 Garden Road, Northland identifies footpath parking as an issue. It is important that policy and regulation are only made when they are considered necessary and will be enforced.

### 2. Specific comments

#### **TR118-21 Moxham Avenue, Hataitai**

Living Streets support this change to improve driver sightlines so the pedestrian crossing is more visible. This also supports motorbikes to park legally on the road.

#### **TR113-21 Duthie Street, Karori**

Living Streets support the improved layout of bus stops on Duthie St. We note that on average public transport use includes an 8 minute walk at each end of the PT trip and therefore public transport can be considered active transport.

#### **TR101-21 Tawa Street**

Living Street recommends adding stop signs to the vehicle accessways to the railway station free parking areas. This would provide a clear indication that pedestrians have priority on the footpath on this important route to, among other destinations, Tawa School.

Will some physical barrier prevent vehicles making the right turn?

## **TR119-21 Molesworth Street, Thorndon**

This is located next to the very busy pedestrian access to the Ministry of Health on Molesworth Street. We note this vehicle accessway is very wide, the accompanying photo shows an approximately 8 metre wide driveway. The Wellington District Plan states:

5.1.1.3.4 The width of any vehicular access to a site shall not exceed 3.7 metres in the Inner Residential Area and shall not exceed 6 metres in the Outer Residential Area. i

Living Streets recommends that this driveway is reduced in size so that pedestrian safety is improved and vehicles must use it at a slower speed. No change would then be required to the car park and there may be additional space to provide for motorbikes.

Living Street recommends adding stop signs to the vehicle accessway to improve pedestrian safety.

## **TR123-21 Garden Road, Northland**

The footpath on Garden Road is well used but very narrow and on one side of the road only. Any changes here need to ensure that pedestrian safety and access is well maintained. The TR identifies parking on footpaths as an issue in this area “This results in vehicles parking on the footpath to accommodate through traffic flow”

What steps will be taken to ensure that footpath parking does not occur on the footpath on this road?

We would like to be heard in support of this submission.

## **About Living Streets**

Living Streets Aotearoa is New Zealand’s national walking and pedestrian organisation, providing a positive voice for people on foot and working to promote walking-friendly planning and development around the country. Our vision is “More people choosing to walk more often and enjoying public places”.

The objectives of Living Streets Aotearoa are:

- to promote walking as a healthy, environmentally friendly and universal means of transport and recreation
- to promote the social and economic benefits of pedestrian-friendly communities
- to work for improved access and conditions for walkers, pedestrians and runners, including walking surfaces, traffic flows, speed and safety
- to advocate for greater representation of pedestrian concerns in national, regional and urban land use and transport planning.

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<sup>i</sup> <https://wellington.govt.nz/-/media/your-council/plans-policies-and-bylaws/district-plan/changes/completed-changes/files/change56-hearing-resrules.pdf?la=en&hash=8C2C1D2C4C3FBE18DCAAB7042B66418515CC183B#:~:text=4%20The%20width%20of%20any,5.1.>