

Submission: Parking Bylaw and Controls 2024



WHANGANUI
DISTRICT COUNCIL
Te Kaunihera a Rohe o Whanganui

Submissions close at 5.00pm on Thursday, 2 May 2024

How to submit

You can complete this submission online at www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say

Alternatively, please return this form to:
The Policy Team
Whanganui District Council
101 Guyton Street
Whanganui 4500

Or email your submission to:
polycy submissions@whanganui.govt.nz

Privacy statement

Your submission and your name will be made publically available. Your contact details may be used to contact you, and to administer the consultation and decision-making process. They will not be made publically available. Demographic information may be reported in combination with other submitters without identifying you individually. All information will be held by Whanganui District Council, 101 Guyton Street, and submitters have the right to access and correct their personal information.

Your details (please print your details clearly)

*Name:

*Email:

*required (email or address)

*Postal address:

Best daytime
contact number:

Organisation

If you are completing this submission on behalf of an organisation, please name the organisation

Presentation of submissions

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at a hearing?

Yes

(Please ensure you have completed the details above, including your contact number)

No

If you would be interested in being involved in further consultation opportunities with the council please tick the box below and ensure your contact details have been completed.

Yes, I would like to be involved in future consultation

Note:

Hearings are planned for **14-15 May 2024**. If you have indicated that you wish to speak to your submission we will contact you to arrange a time for you to speak.

Parking Tariffs

Council is proposing to increase parking tariffs and use any extra revenue generated from these increases to off-set the general rates bill.

Do you agree with the proposal to increase parking tariffs to help off-set rates?

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following:

Agree

Neutral / don't know

Disagree

Please tell us the reason(s) for your response.

Increasing parking tariffs also encourages faster turnover of premium car parks. Council parking data shows that parts of Victoria Avenue often reach full occupancy. Increasing parking tariffs on Victoria Avenue by \$1 per hour (to a total of \$3 per hour) is intended to reduce the amount of time people park here and encourage them to park on side streets of off-street instead.

Do you agree with the proposed increase in parking tariffs on Victoria Avenue?

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following:

Agree

Neutral / don't know

Disagree

Please tell us the reason(s) for your response.

Parking options outside of Victoria Avenue have lower rates to encourage their use. Council is proposing to increase the tariffs for our CBD side streets (currently \$1 per hour) and off-street parking bays (currently 0.50c per hour) and make them the same fixed rate of \$2 per hour.

Do you agree with the increase in parking tariffs for side streets and off-street car parks?

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following:

- Agree
- Neutral / don't know
- Disagree

Please tell us the reason(s) for your response.

Are you aware of the council's off-street parking bays – Winstone carpark (in St Hill Street), Moutoa carpark (in Moutoa Quay), Phoenix carpark (in Drews Avenue), Wharenui carpark (in Ingestre Street) and the Museum carpark (in Cameron Terrace)?

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following:

- Yes
- No
- I'm aware of some of these car parks, but not all of them

Parking Meters

Council is also proposing to install 14 new parking meters in high-demand CBD parking areas. The proposed meters would apply a tariff to parks which are currently free and tend to be occupied all day. The proposed meters would encourage higher turnover of parks and the increased revenue would be used to offset rates (a map of the proposed new meters is attached at the end of this document).

Do you agree with the proposal to install 14 new parking meters in the town centre?

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following:

- Agree
- Neutral / don't know
- Disagree

Please tell us the reason(s) for your response.

UCOL Student Parking

UCOL students currently receive two hours free parking on Taupo Quay directly outside the UCOL building.

Do you agree with council's proposal to lengthen the parking exemption for UCOL students from two to three hours, in order to accommodate typical lecture times?

Agree

Neutral / don't know

Disagree

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following:

Please tell us the reason(s) for your response.

Mobility Parking

The council has received feedback that more mobility parks are needed in our CBD. Two new mobility parks are already being installed on Guyton Street as part of the Streets for People project. We are proposing to install a further three – one located on Victoria Avenue outside BNZ Whanganui, and two extended mobility parks in the council-operated off-street Winstone carpark to accommodate mobility vans with loading ramps.

Do you agree with the proposal to add three more mobility parks to our town centre?

Agree

Neutral / don't know

Disagree

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following:

Please tell us the reason(s) for your response.

SuperGold Card Senior Parking Scheme

The council currently offers free parking for SuperGold card holders between 8.00am-11.00am on weekdays. We have received feedback that this exemption should be extended until 2.00pm – doing this, however, is likely to make parking occupancy and congestion in Victoria Avenue worse during peak hours (11.00am-1.00pm). Instead, we are proposing to expand the SuperGold card scheme to include Saturdays from 8.00am-11.00am.

Do you agree with the proposal to expand the SuperGold card parking scheme to include Saturdays from 8am-11am?

Agree

Neutral / don't know

Disagree

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following:

Please tell us the reason(s) for your response.

Parking Bylaw

The council's Parking Bylaw provides the legal basis for council to enforce rules on the parking, stopping and standing of vehicles on our roads. Council is required by central government legislation to review our bylaws and ensure they are fit for purpose.

Do you have any comments about the council's Parking Bylaw?

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

If you wish to include any documents in support of your submission on the Parking Bylaw and Controls 2024, please attach to this form.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

These questions are not required, but help us better understand the community and how best to engage.

Demographics

Gender

Female Male

Another gender
Specify if you feel comfortable

Age

Under 18 years 18-29 years 30-39 years
 40-49 years 50-59 years 60 years and over

Ethnicity

Tick all that apply

NZ European Māori Asian
 Pacific Peoples Middle Eastern / Latin American / African
 Other
please specify

Location

Tick one

Aramoho (Lower Aramoho, Upper Aramoho) Bastia Hill / Durie Hill
 Blueskin / Pākaraka Castlecliff (Castlecliff North, Castlecliff South, Mosston)
 Fordell / Kakatahi Gonville (Balgownie, Tawhero, Gonville South, Gonville East, Gonville West)
 Marybank / Gordon Park Putiki
 St John's Hill / Otamatea Springvale (Springvale West, Springvale East, Mosston)
 Whanganui Central (Laird Park, Whanganui Central, Whanganui Collegiate) Whanganui East (Williams Domain, Wembley Park, Kowhai Park)
 Other
please specify

Map of existing and proposed parking meters in Whanganui CBD

