

# All comments received

## Have you ever had any difficulty finding a parking spot in New Brighton?

2 hours limit parking Monday to Friday 9-5pm are best
3p should be put in place to ensure a good rotation
4 hr parking is needed so that people can actually have time to relax and do recreational activities
4P only
A 4-hour time limit may help
a time limit of 2 hours may create more parking around the sport field on farmers market days.
All areas where this parking plan is aimed out but with the plan NOT implemented
All beach side streets
All parking areas but you need to police it.
All parking areas proposed should have time limits
Are you providing a ranger or parking inspector? Seems a bit controlling. Not laid back, which is what I like. What if I want to walk on the beach on a full moon? Watch the sunset? Watch the sunrise?
Around the cafe - it is dangerous when cars park wherever they want, and children walk across to the creek - it is very hard to see them.
Around the sports field could also have better managed parking.

As long as residents are provided parking validation then I am fine with parking limits.
At the end of North Head rd., which goes into the national park of Christmas beach we have many campervans and over night stays, also people who are homeless camping, making fires and having dogs in the small wilderness area. I definitely think some parking restriction would help.
Best to try before major increase in hard services.
Completely unnecessary to add any signage, let alone Time Limits! (And obviously unnecessary to add signage of any sort.)
Definitely not! The only time its busy is when the farmers market is on! This market is only for 3 hours. Most come and go within an hour. Beach goers also come and go quickly. We do not have patrolled beaches like in south golden so no one stays for the entire day when they go to the beach.
Dog exercise area should be reduced, native animals are constantly endangered.
Don't do this, if putting a time just do the 1am-5am to stop illegal camping. But I don't feel this area needs timing limits. For locals it puts limits on everything you do and means you can't enjoy a coffee or lunch after a shop etc. So why bother paying rates and living here.
Don't put up signage limiting parking and please, please, please don't put in parking meters. It's annoying enough having meters in Byron and soon (apparently) in Mullum and Bruns. This really turns me off going into Byron altogether knowing I've got to pay so much for a spot to park. Soon I'll have that same hesitation when going to Bruns and Mullum, which will equate to less visits to these towns and less money spent in their shops.
Farmers market side
great idea - also add no camping at night signage - have seen many campers here in the early hours
Have any of you ever been here? If people are staying more than 4 hours I hope they're wearing plenty of sunscreen.
Honestly doesn't make a difference to me. Might change for people who come for the day.
I never have an issue getting a park
I only think timed parking is necessary on market days. Exclude some areas from time limited parking as stall holders / staff need to park longer.
I suggest all areas have some time limit on parking to encourage turnover, particularly for beach access areas. The sportsfield area may need alternative arrangements, given that some sport carnivals and events go longer than 3 or 4 hours.
I suspect most people who park nearby to access the beach would probably not look at staying 3 or 4 hours anyway. When a walk/swim is combined with breakfast/lunch at the cafe this might be different.
I think mixed time limits would be best. some 15 min near the store would be great for locals who just want to pop in and out. 3P at the beaches would be great to turnover people in campers who just want to chill all day so people with families can park close to the beach.
I think there is enough turnover of beachgoers that it is not necessary to put limits on parking times.
I'm not sure people park there very long normally. You still want parking for visitors, etc. Only the beach access and farmers market areas are problematic.
It gets disregarded anyway and there aren't enough compliance patrols. The van lifers will still park there overnight.
It would have no affect.
Just move the dog walking area and there will be more spaces at North Head Road. Time limited parking won't make any difference at any of the locations.

Just not needed. Most people visiting the beach or parks are only there for a few hours with the exception of some people who may bring their children to the beach/area for a day. Why put a limit on that. Just really unnecessary
Leave it alone
Local would be disadvantaged... stop the camper vans and caravans trying to drive down a dead street like Ocean Ave !!
Madness in the question...timed parking turns a space over multiple times but you still are providing free time for campervaners -overnight and this scheme will promote it
Make it 1hr
Maybe, sometimes a car is parked for a few days, but usually people spend an hour or two down there. Ive lived here for 12 years.
Most of the parking issues are short term during peak beach access. The lack of drainage and footpaths make it necessary to walk on the road in many parts of the village. Adding parking to intensify use without addressing basic infrastructure needs will make it worse. Reducing load by shifting the dog walking away from the market area will reduce impacts.
Most residents do not require parking and most visitors come for a surf, swim, use the dog beaches or have a coffee at "Salty Mangrove" and are not usually parked here for periods longer than 1 or 2 hours.
Most vehicles parking in these locations are beach users and move on in a couple of hours anyway. Time limits would unfairly impact local residents more than visitors.
Most visits are limited time - the main long stay parkers head to end of north head road.
near the shop and creek access where people picnic and hang out
New Brighton is a unique tiny village and mainly requires roadworks and drainage urgently NOT CAR SPACES in Gold Coast style
New Brighton Road and Ocean Ave
No
No because people will overstay no matter what you put up
No need for change to current situation
No this is not needed either
No, it only increases more fines that can be applied.
No. Let locals enjoy the beach at long as you want. We live here. We are locals. Leave the timed parks to Byron or you'll lose the locals here too
Nobody in this area takes notice of the law, let alone parking signs
Nobody obeys the law round here
Not at all
Not necessary
Nothing is needed.
Ocean Avenue

Park and Byron Street, Foot path on Ocean Avenue would be amazing
Park Street
park street
parking is not a problem in NEW Brighton except for Farmers market day
Parking limitations are not needed in this whole area.
Parking on any day but Market Tuesday and Surf Sunday is never an issue. Most villagers walk to their destination, whether it be to friends or to the village shop which provides mail, banking and food.
People are usually only parking for an hour or two. Unless they are using the beach and it's probably a four-hour stint. Not sure parking time limits will change the parking habits.
People break the rules, and no one monitors these rules. There are so many illegal dog walkers on the beach, cars speeding on the roads, young kids speeding on the river and the list goes on. Keep New Brighton as the proud little village it deserves to be. It cannot accommodate for major growth. Live here and you will see this. More traffic will create excessive issues for so many residents.
People have the right to spend the day at the beach
People only park for short times.
People come and go to beach
Please consider No Parking on River St opposite the shop as it is so dangerous with kids not looking and running across the road. It is a daily occurrence!
Please consider the impact
Please don't do this! We are a quiet part of the shire. We do not need time limits.
Please fix the drains and footpaths around Brunswick st, short street and north head road. The flooding and draining is atrocious and quite dangerous actually!
Policy the time limits no use having it no one takes any notice of the signs riversea lane parking should be limited
Possibly a 4P limit to areas closest to the beach to present long stay or overnight parking
Probably wouldn't make a huge difference, as I don't think people often spend more than 3 or 4 hours at beach/market/cafe etc anyway - but might help a bit.
Question makes no sense
residents need to have room to park on street
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River Street and New Brighton Road
River street is too narrow for additional new parking.
shorter time limits closer to beach access points
Shorter time limits would probably make a difference at the beach end of Ocean Avenue, and perhaps the western side of River St. Everywhere else most people are parking for shorter time periods.

Stop with the time limits.
The council have recently added bollards and moved the soccer field fence, how about you add parking there?
The Esplanade North, River street, Park street, ocean street
The market is literally the only time when parking is a real issue. Put time limits, if you must, on a Tuesday.
The rangers don't police it anyway
There is adequate parking available.
There is enough parking
There is supposed to be a firebreak at the northern end of Gaggin Street which is a joke. Extend Park Street around the corner and put the parking area in a cleared out real firebreak. I sought prices for a new insurance policy for our house last year and the triple threats were fire, flood and inundation from the sea. Having a firebreak that is better than what is there at the moment would be a great precaution. Put a big parking lot on the firebreak and move the dog beach to north of the village would alleviate parking near houses. There is beach access from there.
There will be a whole lot of angst in this community if any parking limits are brought in - certainly, it cannot go the way of larger centres like Brunswick Heads, with talk of paid parking. Will locals have to get a locals pass to park here?
This is a sanctuary. You can't put time restrictions on chilling out.
This is not Byron Bay! People come for an hour, or two so times parking seems like a waste of time.
This is ridiculous, been visiting this area for 7 years and never had an issue. Adding time limits would result in more traffic to the area
this might help with stopping people from parking all day-especially van packers
Totally unnecessary. Signage and policing would be costly. Question: How many fines have been issued on Cowper Street Byron Bay with similar signage over the last 5 years?
Unless North Head Road is widened and/or the deep drains removed or converted to covered pipes, Np parking signs are needed to allow smooth vehicle flow and pedestrian safety (there are virtually no footpaths for pedestrians). Increased parking is going to attract increased traffic.
Unlikely to make a difference.
Upgrading the existing parking would help, it's always boggy and gross and full of potholes
We don't want this brought to a small suburban beach area.
we live here and i have never had a complaint about people parking here for too long.
Who wants more parking at New Brighton?
Who would enforce this? There is already illegal camping and people parking residents in on market days and weekends. Nothing gets done about that. Not confident that council would enforce this, so a waste of my money putting in the signage.
Widening North Head Road and eliminating spoon drains would provide safe parking for residents and their guests. There are no safe footpaths, so provision of these would also enable residents, especially children, safe access to the beach.
Would hate to see it timed. Best part about new Brighton is being able to spend the whole day at the

beach without worrying about parking tickets like you have to elsewhere in the shire.

yes if enforced. On the mornings of the farmers market the time limit in that area should be even less.

You are offering solutions that apply to Byron township and not this vulnerable nature based community low on the floodplain. Please leave it alone, we like it as it is

## The Esplanade South Comments

Nothing needs sealing. Asphalt sucks.
Very happy with give way sign
needs more bays and not parallel should be nose in
many more spots can be made available on south esplanade and the strand. 6 spots isn't even enough at 6am
This will not solve the issue at all.
Beach access should change for this location as well and remove access in front of Strand Av.
Yes, regulating the parking in this area is needed, it gets a bit crazy with parking at times. As long as the roadway is being upgraded as part of these changes, this looks great.
Council will also need to formalise parking at the eastern end of Strand Avenue (particularly on the southern side).
Beyond sealed parking should be resident access only
Parking the whole way down would be good
Definitely needs a seal and line marking! Agree completely
Insufficient amount of parking spaces
It would be great if the dog exercise areas could be reduced, to leave more room and parking for families and elderly...
Turn-around required.
We live on Strand Avenue. The parking on the esplanade has been reduced to such a level that we are getting the overflow cars at the front of our home. They park on the footpath, on the road where there is definitely not enough room for two cars to pass each other. They park overlapping our driveway and then either side of our driveway giving us absolutely no clear vision in backing out onto a very busy road. We need a yellow no parking line along the whole stretch of road to prevent this happening. Please don't make the carpark situation cause a problem for us.
Six parking bays seems fine. Given the large number of cars that already park in this road, I don't see why more than 6 could be marked.
Are you trying to destroy New Brighton
Subject to the drains on both sides of the road being sealed and drained all the way to the creek. This would assist with flood mitigation.
Is this necessary? there are informal parking spaces in this location already, and the roadway priority is clear. Will this gain more parking spaces, and/or improve the scenario for local landowners?
More parking is needed but I support formalising it
We don't need more people and congestion before the speeding and signage issues are addressed. Plus additional parking means more dogs, dog poo, litter and vandalism
Move the walkway to the beach south 20m so pedestrians don't have to walk out on the roadway in the middle of the intersection
Please also install traffic calming measures on the Esplanade. This flow change will increase car speed on narrow streets.
Parking along New Brighton Road is becoming a dangerous issue. Especially market day. No stopping signs would be appreciated.
People use to park at angle parking for years and it was fine. Why change it?
This parking would help minimize damage to our properties, the dunes, the road and other associated infrastructure. There is also no indication of how parked cars in these bays would turn around without impacting or causing additional damage to the newly proposed road.
The proposed area is an open drain which allows water run-off to pool and slowly infiltrate and evaporate. Sealing of this area is likely to increase water inundation of existing properties. Prior to the recent signage installed here cars were able to park perpendicular which was more practical than trying to turn 180 degrees to parallel park.
Revert back to 45degree angle parking at the esplanade for more parking spaces

There is no reason to seal or increase parking in these areas. I would feel the council resources could be better used rather than on something that is working just fine.
No need. Waste of money. Fine as is.
Why not incorporate the grassed area
The esplanade had plenty of parking before boulders and no parking signs were put in place. It was perfectly fine and worked better than it does now.
we live in north head road, the trees are stunning along this strip and should not be cut down. this is a flood area and we cut down the natives down. we do not want cars parked out the front of our house which is unnecessary
Not necessary, all locals work it out, no problems
These premium parks should have paid parking
More parking more people and illegal campers and drop kicks
There is already parking in this area, my concern is that it will impinge on the residents right to quiet.
Parking is not needed apart from market day, this parking favours day visitors over locals, this infrastructure will also promote illegal van camping in the area along with putting further pressure on our struggling infrastructure.
This is too limited amount of spaces for this cup-de-sac. I'm aware of the residents driveways, but feel more should be added
6 seems a little inadequate for the parking there give way sign would be good
Generally yes - if no clearing of native vegetation required
Would hate to see the area become inundated with out of town residents
Improving traffic flow is good. A good place for a small amount of car spaces
I don't agree with the parallel parking spots, it reduces usable area. Also think it's a waste of money as it functions just fine being unsealed. It's not a high speed/traffic area and I think the money could go into fixing the existing roads or the bridge just up the roads which has huge horizontal digits.
No mature trees..
I support the installation of the five way sign
Fix the roads first - far more important.
Yes please! Marked spaces will hopefully stop "random" parking.
No more trees should be cut down. The locals should not have to bear the consequences of ever increasing numbers flooding into the village. There is already too much speeding traffic and not enough care for the pedestrians as it is-ie, inadequate speed mitigation measure and inadequate footpaths.
I think wait here, there really needs to be a walking path built from South Golden to Brunswick Heads wall for people who are in wheelchairs, children and bikes. I would prefer to see this happen at the same time as a carpark
small area to turn if the cars go too far up
It's fine how it is No problems parking so much of the habitat has changed let's just leave the big trees there
Repositioning the give way sign will be helpful for traffic confusion
Streets around Salty Mangrove and the sport field are great options. Lots of cars parked here everyday so it is great we need proper car parks
Even though I understand the need for change I believe it is short sighted to make more provisions to accommodate cars instead of improving foot paths and bicycle paths. Lets preserve the biodiversity of this unique place we live in and come up with sustainable solutions.
Depends how much dune vegetation needs to be removed. OK with it if NO vegetation or dune material is removed.
It would be useful to accommodate for the rails that surround the power pole support line at the entrance to The Esplanade south, currently that is in the way of the first park as you enter, making vehicles park wide or impinging the next parks.



I feel this budget could be better spent on drainage or other road issues. This feels very unnecessary
Modest and not significantly affecting nearby residents.
i feel that drainage and fixing of the roads, gutters and blocked drains in the area would help before this
Nature of development not in character of the village. Note that the village has been trying to engage with Council for 4 years to help define an accepted village plan, and without that process having been completed and accepted, any major works that affect the village character are premature and likely out of character with long term vision.
This prioritises visitors over residents, not a good idea.
Put diagonal parking back here. The current 6 spots with big rocks is no functional!
The residents and roads of new Brighton need prioritizing!The drainage!It's horrible!Look at Brunswick Street!We don't need more visitors.We need to look after the residents!!!
All available resources should be directed to flood mitigation and management
Sealing and marking car parks is overkill in our small community. How to park and safety signage is all that is required. Ashpalt and white lines will completely change the ambience of the area and what makes New Brighton New Brighton.
Looks like a great improvement - it is unsafe at the moment
I'm assuming it's improving the existing parking that's available
Bitumen parking bays would ruin the amenity for residents. Six bays would have no practical effect. There is ample parking available on Strand Avenue. Surely people can walk 20-50m to the beach!
Appears that to provide more access would cause minimal environmental disturbance.
I don't support hard surfacing any spaces in NB - it is part of the Marshalls Creek Nature Reserve and a small residential community very vulnerable to flooding
Signage is already there. More than six cars regularly park there. More sealed roads is detrimental to the environment.
This part of the road should be cleared from rocks and other plants residents have put to prevent people from parking like it was before. This area should be made as wide as across the street and there should be more parking spaces nose in parking. It is very difficult to do a U turn in this street and park parallel there. What is 6 parking spots going to help with when you can fit more? Please think about this as this last decisions about this area of the beach has been a disaster for long term residents trying to access the beach knowing full well some the residents on that street are non permanent residents and have made access to the beach essentially private for them.
Tidying up existing parking bays sounds great!
People will continuously park outside the zone
Don't really use this carpark.
Good beach access
People already park in the esplanade location haphazardly, so may as well make it organised.
I support more parking but don't support creating more parking at North Head Road. And don't support removal of 7 trees
These car parks have always been in this area
I thought traffic was already prioritised? So I don't completely understand that part.
We need even more parking! Still inadequate. Also 40km all the way to the bridge at Kolora rd. So dangerous to walk there.
Please regrade the streets on the Western side of the canal in Sth Golden ( Philip st, Clifford st) that are just dirt and gravel, before investing lots of money in something that only happens once a week. We have been waiting a decade for these roads to be regraded and reseated
Not a priority

Our home fronts both river and terrace streets, number █.. we have a massive pot hole and erosion of terrace street that fills up like a pond when it rains... there are drainage issues on River street as there are generally... as a resident I would rather see council funds used to fix these issues rather than spending money on new infrastructure that is only going to further connect the area... on insufficient basic infrastructure
What are you doing to improve the roads in the area that are used daily by the residents?
This unnecessary and you need to stop cutting trees down. Trees are vital with us fighting climate change.
See previous comments
The roads can't handle amount of traffic now... any more cars in the area would be a disaster.. as it is now on market day
This will spoil the natural beauty of this beautiful relatively unspoiled spot.Would change the whole essence of why people love it.
That is not enough parking places!!!!!!
These plans significantly reduce the lifestyle quality of the tax paying residents of New Brighton. Money has not been spent to improve important things like quality of roads and drainage. The complete lack of drainage and interest from the council to improve Ocean Ave caused our flood as all the water from the street drained into our driveway . Spend money on these neglected areas . Your lack of action has hurt the residents badly and this is a terrible idea.
The beautiful village of New Brighton and its residents lifestyle will be significantly reduced by these plans. You want to spend money on decreasing lifestyle quality but do not spend money on measures which improve lifestyle quality such as drainage and flooding. Councils priorities need to be appropriate and this is not appropriate.
too much traffic already
no need for more traffic
It will make it easier.with more inf Informatikn
Need more than 6 parking bays
This is a good idea
This is a joke we do not need this Markets can be moved as it has gotten to big for New Brighton.
This area is confusing and these are helpful improvements.
this has been circulated before by the council without any community discussion and universally opposed
Only option in this area.
beach access from this spot needs maintenance
Too many car places loss of vegetation. Leave as a small seaside town. Move the markets to Brunswick if parking issue for markets
Already has a give way sign on Esplanade South
Reducing this car park will just cause an overflow onto Strand Avenue where we live. Counted 13 cars parked on The Esplanade on saturday . Reduce those parks to six and you cause them to overflow onto our driveway, our foothpath and completely block our vision in reversing out of our driveway. We are already copping this masive problem and have asked council to make it no parking on either side of our driveway
The 6 bays create confusion and encourage illegal parking and traffic blocking tge narrow street. Better to have more parking elsewhere.
No extra parking is needed in NewBrighton it is a quiet village part from Farmers Market Day, pot holes roads and drainage are more urgently required
Great idea. (Also will ensure owners along there don't try to find ways to stop people parking along there, which happens a lot now)
That's fine, but could you fix the existing roads and drainage first before you worry about new things, please?
6 car parks??? Is that really worthwhile?

So long as locals don't pay
Keep these spaces, but not SEALING them.....completely unnecessary and environmentally destructive.
realistic and fine to me.
There is nothing wrong with current parking. Cutting down established trees to make way for more cars is a nonsense. Spend the money on fixing the roads and and drainage.
Please maintain the fencing in the area
Would far rather the road/bridge to Kolora be made safe for pedestrians/bike riders and the road on River Street be made clear of water when it rains!!
For the traffic flow needs
Yes as it's not too much work and is good for traffic AND doesn't remove any native trees like the other proposed works.
Today is market day. There are hundreds of cars parked. They are already parking in all of the areas indicated on your map, and some. It seems to me there is no point in creating parks where people are already parking. Especially if you are going to destroy natural vegetation. Doing this plan will not create one additional park. I have photographs of all the streets surrounding the soccer field on this Market Day, it shows that every available space is taken on all streets. Everywhere you intend to put a park already has a car parked in it, no vegetation lost. Your plan is simply unjustified.
None of this plan makes sense - sealing for cars means formalising stormwater and giving up swales which are far better than discharging stormwater...that alone continues to promote erosion where it exits into a water body...plenty of evidence to support that.
It is an absolute waste of money , our council rates are needed desperately in drainage issues not car parks. It is not a problem fullstop. Drainage is vital .
I've grown up in the area and this has always been the arrangement.
This area gets very boggy when there is rain, it would be a positive outcome to have it sealed.
Although I would add a zebra crossing so pedestrians can safely cross to the beach. Also a permanent bin would be better than the red bin that currently blocks the pram/wheelchair access to the footpath
The road there is unsatisfactory.

The community of south New Brighton wish to formalise a strong objection to your proposal of changes to North Head Road carpark. A petition is currently being compiled to indicate the number of local residents opposed to the suggested plan, which subsequently will be submitted in due course. Currently this carpark contains approximately 20 spaces, therefore Council is proposing adding an additional 13. This is a significant rise (over 50%). Such a rise in car spaces would directly impact residents residing in numbers [REDACTED] North Head Road by negatively altering the ambience, view and access to their properties, combined with increased noise levels and car pollutants. With no patrolled beaches within the New Brighton area, unfortunately several lives have been lost in the past due to drownings, therefore paradoxical why council are wanting to increase parking and encourage day trippers and tourists to an unpatrolled beach. Sealing the carpark with the addition of painted white lines will completely change the character of our beach side community. The increased spaces would subsequently increase the traffic on North Head Road, thereby negatively influencing and placing at risk, the residents of North Head Road, Brunswick Street, Short Street and The Stand. The main access point to the beach or anywhere within the shire for residents of these streets is to utilise North Head Rd. North Head Road is, by definition, a shared zone between pedestrians and vehicles. Anytime of the day, the road is abundant with children, residents and the elderly, both as pedestrians and bike/scooter riders, due to the deficiency of any footpath along the entirety of North Head Road. Residents already fear vehicles racing down North Head Rd navigating the above which has intensified, attributed by the recent new sealing of part of North Head Road. The sole speedhump is unquestionably inadequate to slow the flow of traffic. The proposal to remove seven large NATIVE trees is of major consequence for the abundance of birds, echidnas and smaller flora and fauna observed. Removing these trees will impact the abiotic resources of the remaining native trees, therefore placing the remaining native species at risk. Additional mitigating factors is the loss of shade, loss of natural character and potential for loss of stabilisation for vegetation supporting the dune by the removal of the two trees next to the beach access point. However, of further immeasurable importance over increasing car parking, our strongly bound community formally request Byron Shire Council use such allocated budgetary funds towards the more critical and existing constraints of inadequate storm water drainage within New Brighton. The one main storm drain that runs along Brunswick street has been proven exceptionally inadequate to protect our community from future flooding events. The drainage along North Head Road is shambolic which can be evidence during daily high tides. In 2022 the initial water that entered our homes and property was clear and fresh, not overflow from the river. Clearly a result of Council ineffectual deficient drainage. We urgently request Byron Shire Council formally address our community with an action plan of further flooding mitigation measures via a community meeting. It is immensely disappointing and appalling parking is a priority rather than Council facilitate their ratepayers in accelerating flooding resistance. As a community we eagerly await a formal response via return email or to [REDACTED] New Brighton, NSW. Ratepayers of New Brighton

Dangerous corner for traffic people exiting the beach road doesn't support increased traffic

Sealed car parking in a beautiful coastal location is unnecessary.

New Brighton is a small village and is not designed for the large volumes of traffic that has been steadily growing. Byron Shire is large and we need to plan wisely as to where we would like to create larger services where suitable. New Brighton has one road between a river and the ocean. It's too small to cater for the increased traffic that is being proposed.

Make it clear where the spots are to park

the entire esplanade goes underwater

what is proposed only serves to formalise what exists already - I'm not sure it's necessary?  
Surely council has other priorities post flood for the budget?

Yes, but don't do this for the potential of introducing paid parking

Signage, give way sign and traffic flow are important. Mark out existing car spaces but Do not support Sealing the roadway

Sealing will reduce absorption of water from local rain events. There is no outflow to the ocean at this point with fragile and vulnerable dunes being the barrier.

Impact on riparian zones. Potential loss of mature shade and habitat trees. Possible import of fill which would exacerbate flooding problems.

parking was always there

### North Head Road Comments:

Please provide more information/comments, North Head Road Car Park
33 parking spots is far too many for such a small local beach location - it will greatly impact congestion on the roads, removal of established trees for unnecessary parking is utterly terrible.
A bigger car park is easier to manage. People will have a higher chance of successfully getting a park and will reduce illegal parking.
Absolutely no, this proposal is dangerous, to extend the carpark, removing beautiful trees that make New Brighton such a beautiful place and creating car parks directly in front of residential homes is completely irrational and will impinge on the privacy of the tenants, it will be like living in a car park. North Head Rd is narrow and to create parking directly in front of houses, taking away residents parking in favour of tourists is unfair, it is also dangerous. Residents who park in front of their houses are aware of the crazy drivers that speed around the blind corner with no consideration there are cautious when reversing, tourist have no idea and there will be many accidents with cars and pedestrians if this parking is to go ahead.
Absolutely NOT!
Again, I don't think this is a high priority compared to the actual roads and drainage in the shire. Fix the drain next to the river just up from the shop that always covers the road in water. Let it still be a small-town feel. The next minute paid parking will come into these areas and for our family that we're born and raised here we don't go into Byron as the parking just puts us off. And we would need 2 locals passes and the national park for the pass and we just can't justify that spend each year.
Again, this is a busy area with children and pets parking traffic calming also needs to be addressed
Again, why? Removing native trees to increase parking for cars is nonsensical. It really makes absolutely no sense and should not be allowed. Period.
Agree! Please replace removed trees with new trees somewhere more appropriate/with appropriate species so there is no net loss of trees
All available resources should be directed to flood mitigation and management
Better than current situation which is haphazard at the best if times
Bitumen & line marking not fitting ambience /trees lg malalucas protected min 12 not 7.
Can other trees be planted to maintain the wildlife corridor?
Can you fix drainage at the showers at the same time. It gets pretty festy, muddy and boggy!
Can you not leave all the quiet areas to the locals. It has got way too busy over the last 10 years to sustain any more growth. Leave it all in Byron. You have already ruined that sleepy town.
Completely unacceptable to remove large trees (or any size trees or bushes) and sealing and marking existing spaces would destroy the ambience.
Cutting down trees
Definitely not needed! Do not remove trees. It is mostly an empty car park. This is ridiculous.
Difficult to see around trees and needs signage
Do not agree with remove trees for the parking
Do not remove trees for car parks.
Do not remove trees! This is a beautiful part of the shire because of the trees and surrounding nature.
Do not remove trees! You can tidy existing parking bays.
Does not make sense given the problem comes from the markets - relocate the markets and avoid threatening the character of place with extensive paved car parks. What are the consequences of the hydrology with this design,
Does this increase parking supply? is it necessary to seal and formalise parking in this location when it results in the removal of High Environmental Value vegetation? What is the trade-off between existing # car parking spaces / spaces gained / environmental values lost?
Don't cut trees. The wild side of New Brighton is what makes it beautiful. Concrete and white lines

will kill it soul.
Don't remove the shade trees. Why do we lose what makes the area comfortable; ie, tree coverage on a hot day
Don't remove native trees. Look into creating further marking areas along North Head Road with fenced access through to the beach. Encourage people to use the otherwise empty stretch of beach from NEW BRIGHTON through to the north Brunswick wall.
don't remove the native trees, work around them
Don't use it.
Drainage at the showers good be sorted out at the same time. It gets pretty muddy.
Drainage is an issue here
Extra spaces will be a big help.
far too many carparks. And the removal of trees needs careful assessment. North Head Road is narrow with no footpath. more carparks mean more traffic.
I absolutely object to this plan due to the following - loss of trees - too many carparks / increasing traffic & swimmers - already an unsigned incorrect speed limit shared zone. Again, UNNECESSARY for our area. Please do not ruin our small community.
I agree that sealed parking would make the beach more inviting and eliminate erosion, however, I don't like the idea of removing trees which hold our dunes together, soak up the storm water and create shade. Please save the trees!
I am against this due to loss of 7 large native trees, don't want to see further development close to the dunes/water line, also do not want to promote swimming at an unpatrolled beach
I do not support the removal of trees
I don't think removing trees to create car parks is a good idea. Improve the road condition with a bike lane... make cycling more accessible
I haven't really explored that particular spot so I'm not sure.
I like the accessible parking but no trees need to be removed and sealing things sucks.
I question the removal of the large trees. I would support resurfacing but not the removal of trees. I understand this would be less car park spaces but the trees are far more of an asset than a few extra spaces
I strongly oppose this plan. I have lived in NB for over 20 years in Dolphin Lane off North Head Road. There is ample parking in the carpark. Cutting down native trees to allow more parking is totally against what i thought the Byron Council stood for and i am genuinely appalled by the proposal. Covering it in bitumen and marking car parks will destroy the ambience of our little coastal village. Encouraging more visitors to park at an unpatrolled beach seems irresponsible and short sighted. I do wonder what the aim of these proposals are and who or what they are supposed to be achieving?? New Brighton beach even at busy times ie early morning and late afternoon has adequate parking for locals. During the day even on weekends the beach is quiet. For an unpatrolled open beach I would think this is desirable. Increasing traffic along North Head Road is also undesirable as the road is used by children to access the beach.
I support adding lined parking bays but would prefer the trees stayed. It's a country town and locals prefer it to stay that way. Trees are part of the charm.
I support sealing and marking, but definitely not the removal of native trees to achieve 33 spaces. Again they should be paid parking.
I support the work. but do you need to remove the eastern most two trees that wont create new spaces?
I think it would be good to leave as many trees as possible
I think there may be a bit of community outcry re tree removal. Are the trees native? Is there a plan for compensatory plantings nearby? Brunswick Valley Landcare are interested in working with Council to repurpose any trees we have to remove into habitat hollows for native fauna. There is a

cost associated with this, but it might be a good option to factor in at a site where you have to remove trees from bushland. I can help put you in touch with the right people at BVL.
I think this might be overkill
I think you should leave it alone. This street is already super crowded and dangerous for the kids around. Not to mention me and my family will lose all of our privacy. I can't even be naked in my own house because people in this car park are looking up into my house. Leave our beach a private beach! This is our home and it's already over crowded as is!
I'd prefer there were fewer parking spots and the native trees were saved
If car spaces already exist, leave them as they are, mark out areas to park and no parking areas. Do not seal road.
If the dog exercise area was moved to Ocean Street beach access, towards Sth Golden Beach, the number of vehicles would decrease at this parking area. A lot of parking problems are created by people who wish to walk their dogs. Maybe create a new dog walking area between Ocean Ave beach access and Sth Golden Beach
Increased traffic along north head road nothing has been done to address drainage in that area so providing raking is going to add to drainage issues
Is this the easy plan or is it possible to create more parking without killing the trees?
It is detrimental to the environment to seal more and more area. The removal of any vegetation, particularly large trees is a travesty!
It is not needed at all. Money needs to be better spent on Drainage it is crucial and long over due
It will need a new shower.
Large tree removal less than ideal. Support if there are no other options, but would prefer all other options that don't involve large native tree removal even if they are further from the beach eg on street parking on North Head Road up to Riversea Lane
Leave as is move farmers market to Brunswick. Will change the few of the seaside village
Leave as is. Waste of money
Leave the native trees. I planted them and have cared for them for over 30 years. they provide shade, a buffer from the cars crashing into our fence, privacy and habitat for wildlife. We own the fence on the southern side of the carpark. What was once a quiet little picnic area has turned into a major carpark, a place where camper vans are pulling up to stay overnight. and they come into our yard and the dunes to use as a toilet. We find toilet paper all the time and very smelly surprises underfoot. We also have dogs that are not under control come into our yard and hassle our grandkids and own pets. It is a little out of control at times. Also remember we need somewhere to place all of the garbage bins for the street. If you take the carpark spaces right out to the edge of that southern side, we will be placing our bins in the middle of the main road for collection.
Leave the trees
leave trees parking can be around trees.
Let's not cut down native trees and road is fine how it is
Logical extension of existing car park. Minimal increased effect to nearby residents.
Looks like a more practical and updated version of what is currently there.
Make the car spaces angled it increases the accessibility and ease of manoeuvring large vehicles which frequently use the car park. Right angled spaces leave limited turning out of the spaces. Have a look at how people park there now. Only new visitors park at 90degrees and it stuffs up the whole order of parking easily.
More illegal campers
Need infrastructure first ! Kerb gutter drainage.. pot holes to be filled

New Brighton is a small village. It is located between a river and beach. Growth and increased traffic flow needs to be thought out and planned in a larger town. The geography of New Brighton will never cater for huge growth without major impacts on the residents due to traffic congestion, noise, safety. Markets need to be moved to a larger space to cater for the growth. Yelgun site is perfect. Common sense and long term planning needs to
No apparent reason to prioritise this spending
No no no. Destroys the ambience of our little neighbourhood. And removing native trees for what? To cater for more roadtrippers/tourists? Please fix our drains and roads and footpaths first!!!
North head road is already dangerous for residents and children. The sealing of the road has increased traffic speed. The one speed bump is inadequate and adding more traffic is going to exacerbate to problem. Any budget should be used to add footpaths for the safety of the residents before any money is spent to add additional traffic to the neighborhood
Not applicable
Not in support of removing the trees I think this car park is fine
Not necessary & destroying vital bird habitat for no reason.
Not sure about trees having to go to create parking, but parking area could definitely do with an upgrade. Having it sealed and marking the parking spots would already make a big difference as some people park their cars the wrong way.
Numerous issues with the current proposal. e.g., Safety - lack of footpath, increased traffic on minor roads that are already busy and dangerous enough for locals (children, animals and elderly) without needing to encourage more traffic to the area. Environmental impact - cleaning of native trees completely unacceptable, potential light pollution to the beach for nesting turtles. Inadequate infrastructure - additional impacts to drainage and services. The nature of development is not in character with the village. Note that the village has been trying to engage with Council for 4 years to help define an accepted village plan, and without that process having been completed and accepted, any major works that affect the village character are premature and likely out of character with long term vision. It is worth noting that [REDACTED] had started to engage with residents regarding developing a drainage plan for the village, and identified it as one of the highest priority localities for works of this type in the shire. Any infrastructure that is put in place before any overall plan for drainage requirements is premature. Further, as rate payers, we consider that the allocation of funds to this project is inappropriate while other issues are ignored.
Only option in this area, however North Head Road needs widening as parked vehicles only allow passageway for one vehicle. This is dangerous, especially for people walking to access the beach. Children are especially vulnerable.
Our knee-jerk reaction as a culture is: Cut down the trees and make more room for cars! I think we can do better than that. Trees are now a precious resource, we can no longer afford to cut them down. We can however built foot paths and bicycle paths all around Ocean Shores and new Brighton, Brunswick Heads etc This would greatly reduce the need for extra parking near our beaches.
Our road can't handle more people coming to the beach. Those mature trees are important environmentally. We need footpaths and bike paths so people don't have to drive. More car parks only encourages more drivers.
Over kill. Do not support the removal of ant mature trees.
Parking isn't a problem. Don't remove native trees
People already park there
Please leave this car park alone. And leave the native trees alone. We don't need this car park sealed either. Keep it as is. Don't cut down any native, shade-providing trees. If you seal the lot and cut down the trees, you'll irrevocably destroy the look and feel of that area. Leave it be!
Potential loss of mature shade and habitat trees
Prefer no trees be disturbed
Preserve the large trees and add less parks in order to keep trees over parking - trees provide shade.



Quantity of parking spots could be reduced to keep the established trees !!
Read the petition from the local residents.
Removal of mature native trees.
Removal of native trees, given the already destructive toll on bird life that the dog beach has.
Removal of native vegetation is not supported. Carparking bays located within the TPZ's of native trees should be given over as garden areas to break up long lines of carparking, therefore incurring a significant reduction in carparking numbers
Removal of seven large native trees
Removal of seven large native trees should be avoided and carpark designed around avoiding trees. They also provide shade.
Removal of trees we strongly disagree on that.
Removal of trees will destabilise the fragile dune environment. The parking bays will impact existing properties adjacent to the north edge of the access.
Remove 7 large trees, a lot hypercritical coming from BYRON COUNCIL
removing trees will mean more heat, less airflow, less calming nature. Why can't we encourage walking and riding by proving a footpath/bike path through north head road. E bikes usage is growing. this saves on carbon emissions. Why can't we provide bike racks, e bike charge station instead. Speed bumps =still have not been reinstated since the road was re sealed last year!
right near the sanctuary zone and removing native vegetation for wildlife.
Sad about the trees, but this area is getting slammed by beachgoers, so this needs to happen. Perhaps planting same species of removed trees nearby will placate those who are offended by the tree removal?
Save the tree and nature
Save the trees
See previous feedback.
So long as locals don't pay
Some of the large native trees were planted by us 30 years ago. This was to be a buffer for privacy and noise as well as protect our fence from being smashed by cars. When these trees were planted it was not a carpark and there was talk of making it a playground. Years down the track and the trees provide shade and protection for us. These are native trees. If you cut these down are you going to put bollards up to protect our fence? We will have the fear of a car or van running straight through the fence. The carpark needs proper sealinf that is for sure. The dust is horrendous and the garbage truck travels at such speed through there that huge clouds of dust is kicked up. We need signs reminding people that park that there are residents there. Keep noise to a minimum and font ho slamming doors at 5am and sitting in the car playing very loud music until it's light enough to check the surf. Dogs barking and running into your yard. And the dog poo scattered everywhere. The overnight campers has been increasing too. They go to the toilet on the beach, in the dunes and in our yard. Quite a negative impact with people constantly on top of us. Please leave these trees. In this age of preservation and the need for shade, please keep them all. The birds, possums and lizards that frequent these trees will be left without a home or safety with the removal. I'm all for parking, but please don't remove the beauty, shade and buffer foe the local residents that actually live next to the carpark.
Support for formalising carspaces and signage. But do not remove large native trees east of North Head Rd that are within the dune and littoral rainforest community and/or within Council's wildlife corridor mapping. Need to do targeted consultation with Council's biodiversity and coastal staff.

That's too many car parks I am for the reseal and some car parks but that's too many

The area floods. Sort out the drainage issues first

The car park is mostly used by people walking their dogs. It becomes more congested during holiday periods. The residents of North Head Rd do not need any increase in traffic as a result of more car spaces. It is already unsafe for children and bike riders. Move the dog beach.

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the mature trees should be retained to provide shade and fauna habitat.

The more information the better

The native trees in the area are pathways for the local wildlife, taking down those trees would result in damaging the natural area.

The resources would be better used to provide better drainage and a footpath for pedestrians rather than car parking

The same as before, the carpark is fine as it is, it suits the area, it doesn't need to be hard surfaced - NB is a vulnerable flood area, in the nature reserve with a small residential community

The trees, environment and character of that area should be preserved for local residents, and not destroyed to accommodate visitors.
The village is too small to facilitate more cars; no more trees should be removed.
There is a shower located on the proposed accessible parking.
There should be no removal of any large native trees... the cars should be made to fit around what already exists!
This and south are logical visitor locations
This area of North Head Road is perfectly fine as it is, with the large trees being part of the overall lovely experience of visiting this hidden part of the shire. I have never experienced issues with parking there, there is no need for more carpark spots there, especially not if it is requiring the removal of much valued vegetation. The vegetation of New Brighton is what makes it charming and inviting. Turning this area into a Noosa-style neighbourhood is losing sight of the value of living/visiting/enjoying places that aren't concreted. There are so few left close to liveable neighbourhoods. Please don't bother with these big urbanising plans.
This car park seems to work fine as it is. Could you fix Casons Road and other streets and drainage before you worry about this
This is a beautiful area leading into a conservation area. We want less people here, not more. This is an unpatrolled area of the beach and it should not be encouraged for more people to visit this area.
This is a highly sensitive area that is being threatened by the demand for the dog beach. A simpler solution would be to create a dog offleash area away from the beach. Sealing this area will decrease the natural amenity of the area.
This will result in a negative impact on trees and wildlife. Thus also will lead more erosion and a further negativity impact the properties.
this looks like it will increase parking and make it safer/more clear for drivers and pedestrians
this seems unnecessary, to cut down 7 native trees for a few more car spaces? the reason people want to come visit is because it's a leafy quiet spot. by doing this it's creating the opposite. there are some drains on north head road that are in desperate need of an upgrade. or a footpath for pedestrians instead of increased car parks making it even busier and unsafe to walk
This will be a better use of the space
This will encourage more people to use the area. It is not patrolled.
This would be disastrous., The tree removal alone will destabilise the dune area and make for a very hot car park space. Those trees provide welcome shade, and habitat and form part of the transition zone between the dunes and the littoral rainforest behind. if they are taken out and more parking squeezed in, this will exacerbate the traffic down North head Road into the nature reserve which is already under enormous pressure. The area cannot be expected to cope with more than it currently bears. Given that a nature reserve has a higher conservation value than a national park, the natural environment and the flora and fauna that exists there should be the highest priority
This would increase the amount of traffic on our already busy road, it is a shared road with pedestrians because there is nothing else to walk on, many children and adults walk on this road and there have already been cars travelling in excess of the speed limit, increased parking would significantly impact our road. Drainage would be a much better use of resources
to seal & mark 33 car spaces in this little area / cut down basically all the trees - the melaleucas there form the southern part (protection) of a grove that goes behind the house and garage at [redacted] North Head
trees are part of the heritage of New Brighton and the village is not the Gold Coast which it would be like if implemented - seems there is some grifting going on to have such a ridiculous proposal without local input

Trees need to remain and a better plan for flooding put in place
under no circumstances should trees be cut down to make way for car parking unnecessary.
Unsafe to have parking just beyond the bend. People travel too fast around the bend as it is. Parking is not generally an issue here and offering more will encourage more visitors to what is an unpatrolled and unsafe beach with the highest rate of drownings in the shire. We also do not need more traffic honking down our residential road that has no footpath for the families and elderly that live here.
We do not agree with tree removal on this large scale to gain a few extra car spaces .. the ambience of a large bitumen carpark does not fit in with New Brighton village
We do not need more parking.We need the money to be spent on wxisyjng roads and the lack of drainage!Look at Brunswick Street Drains! Please!
We park here very frequently and it is rare that we find there isn't numerous of free parking spots. This seems an inappropriate removal of large important native trees.
We should not be cutting trees to make way for parking - also will increase local traffic along small road not acceptable
What is being proposed will help destroy the beautiful village like feel of New Brighton. What the Council is proposing will diminish the quality of life for the residents of new Brighton. Where by measures that would improve the Quality of life,such as drainage,flooding,roads have been totally inadequate. Councils role is implement measures that improve quality and those which diminish quality. But this has been the exact situation that exists with this plan.
What is the replant to remove ratio of trees?
Whilst I acknowledge there will be some environmental disturbance, the area is being degraded currently, so it will be improved facilities for residents.
Why are the trees being removed?
Why are trees being removed?
Will change the low key character of New Brighton
Will encourage more people to cone to the area whereas now numbers are limited due to access difficulties
Will the trees be replaced?
Wonderful idea - EXCEPT please do NOT add signage for the carpark!! If so, it will be mobbed by tourists/festival-goers which will make it even more difficult for locals to park. (At the moment, only locals know about it, and yet it is still too full to park at peak times).
would like to see more actual detail and discussion re how the parking
Would ruin the natural environment and destroy the essence of why people love the atea
Wouldn't create more car parking , and aesthetics would detract from village vibe
yes
Yes the proposal outlines and marks the existing parking infrastructure in a more clear and concise way. However, the removal of flora should be minimized.
Yes, great to have this area enlarged and formalised, and making way with tree removal a good thing.
You are about to diminish the quality of life for NB residents. You have NOT spent anything on improving the quality of the roads or drainage and because of that we flooded from the Ocean Ave water build up which ran down our driveway. This car park is a TERRIBLE idea. You need to consider the needs of NB redidents ahead of anyone else. This will ruin our unique village vibe. Spend our money fixing roads and drainage.

**Ocean Ave and Park Street Comments**

<p>Too many parking sites. No footpaths. Traffic congestion. Is it absolutely necessary to have 2 soccer fields in the area. Seeing there is a more than adequate soccer facility on Tweed Valley Way, the soccer field area in New Brighton could be used for markets, fitness activities, including exercise equipment. A small soccer/basketball practice area could be provided. By removing the Cocos Palms, a noxious weed, more space would be opened up for the possibility of parking. Eliminating the soccer field would enable River Street to be widened and parking provided in this area.</p>
<p>138 Parking bays - that is such a lot and will ruin the ambience of our little seaside village - bollards and signage this is all so formal and I feel unnecessary</p>
<p>138 parking spots really ??? What are ? Farmers market ? Move the markets the current area is totally inappropriate increased parking for a few hours one day a week with a area already struggling with drainage problems</p>
<p>A lot of people live at this end of the shire because of how country and under developed it is. It's a quaint little beach village. There are enough parks on market day. That's the only time parking is busy and people manage. I have lived here for ten years and have always managed on market day. Perhaps the money would be better spent on safe crossings for children in NB and south golden, along with reduced speed limits. The newy store needs a zebra crossing to the river and the corner of Helen st and beach rd on Sth golden is dangerous for pedestrians. I've seen many car accidents there and it's a matter of time before a kid on a bike is injured.</p>
<p>Again the beautiful natural ambience of our community will be completely destroyed by such a proposal and i can only imagine how horrified the residents of those 2 streets will feel.</p>
<p>Again you are urning New Brighton village into a carpark. The amount of carparks you are proposing nearly outdoes the population of New Brighton. For a farmers market once a week this proposal is ridiculous and strips away yet again, all of the hard work and plantings that the local residents have done to beautify this village.</p>
<p>Again, sealing increased areas creates more runoff directly into Marshals Creek. More pollution of our waterways will result as well as changing the hydrology of this area. Widening Ocean Avenue will cut into sand hills. The removal of yet more vegetation will have a negative impact on this fragile environment. It would be better to restrict paki g rather than increase it. New Brighton is a village not a city!</p>
<p>All available resources should be directed to flood mitigation and management</p>
<p>All that parking for 3 hours a week? Waste of money. Let's keep the area the way it is! This is why people love the area and why we love living here</p>
<p>Already too much traffic, better off moving the market</p>
<p>Appalling lose of community - what is provided for the residents</p>
<p>As a property owner in the NB village it is important that more car parking is installed but there is not a need for 100+ spaces. Maybe just one side of each Park &amp; Ocean streets.</p>
<p>As I have said before, we need to look at a long term solution which takes into account the beauty of our natural environment, sustainability, consideration for our threatened wild life and the quality of life for permanent residents that live in the area all year around rather than the holiday makers and the property owners that do not live here but make a living of the beauty and name of the Byron Shire.</p>
<p>As listed above; this will significantly change the character of New Brighton and damage the sensitive environment. Incompatible with current drainage systems.further hard surfaces cannot absorb water and will add to flooding. Priority should be given to encouraging bicycling.</p>
<p>As long as it doesn't involve cutting down trees.</p>

Bringing more people to the area will fundamentally change the character of New Brighton. There's already so much traffic travelling well above the speed limit presenting a danger to the pedestrians on a very narrow road.
By doing this. It will no longer be New Brighton !!
Change the nature of this beautiful hamlet
Complete overkill. Ocean avenue cannot support this level of intensity or parking. There is no footpath now and is dangerous enough without adding more obstacles. Some additional parking in Park street might be acceptable, but listen to the residents there.
Creating this many new spaces totally changed traffic flow and the local feel of the area. Totally out of proportion to the area and it's surrounds and will massively increase traffic on a small narrow road
Desperately need more safe parking.
Do not widen or seal roads. Provision of adequate drainage, soft edges and maintaining greenery is essential to the character of New Brighton. The excessive allowance of parking is outrageous for such a small town.
Don't really use it so, can't really say, but I approve of better facilities for residents.
Drainage can be problematic here, footpaths for accessibility and prams would be amazing
Excellent I have seen alot of near misses with children in these high traffic areas
Farmers market parking is a nightmare - we go less because of it. Sports days are tricky too and that area gets very muddy for normal cars.
Fix the roads
Having more car spaces in this area would be helpful - most especially on market days.
Hell no! Who came up with this idea? Ludicrous! Totally destroys the reason we all love to come to this part of the shire! Leave it as it is. If you have money to spend in the area, fix the existing bridge between OS and NB.
highly over the top plans. this is not the gold coast.
I agree you could probably due a few for the soccer on Park street but really - 138. Why do you need so many - for the markets??? Ridiculous and one sure way on how to wreck an environment.
I don't support the removal of 7 native trees
I don't think it needs to be sealed that will just ruin the town. It works how it is and again spend it on roads/drainage/footpaths that are needed elsewhere around the shire. This is just cosmetic and a connected footpath through, Balemo, Orana to new Brighton and SGB, from Kolora way to new Brighton rd.
I don't think this is necessary for the one event a week that requires parking
I don't park in this area very often so not totally sure. I do think making parking areas clear by marking them and sealing the surface will always make the situation better.
I don't use this much, but better curbs would be good
I find this proposal unnecessary for the number of people actually visiting the town of a regular basis. Most days are quiet and there is just no need, especially over winter months, in creating this many car parks at such a high cost to the community, environment and safety of the people. Please reconsider this plan!
I have grown up around new Brighton and never in my 40 years here have I felt the need for asphaltting parking. I like the natural feel. It will only encourage more people to come to our village!
i oppose this proposal for these reasons: • Loss of village character relating to swathes of paved car parks on the road reserves of Ocean and Park Streets • Loss of safe pedestrian access and increased traffic on Ocean and Park Streets • Potential loss of mature shade and habitat trees • Possible import of fill which would exacerbate flooding problems • Concerns regarding adequate design of stormwater drains in parking areas • Possible relocation of Farmers Market to reduce the perceived

need for extra parking • Inappropriate funding for this proposal when there are higher priorities which need addressing such as drainage and flood mitigation • Providing extra parking for tourists to a non-patrolled beach is a major safety concern • No need for additional formal parking
I see the need for better parking here and it's great that you've tried to keep it away from the more sensitive areas along the edge of Marshalls creek. However, as a local, I love how low key and informal the streetscape is around here. Widening Park St and Ocean Ave and putting in formal parking is going to really change that. Please limit the road widening as much as you can, and please don't put in any kerb and channel. New Brighton is special because it looks like a little old beach village, it would be a shame for it to end up looking more suburban. New Brighton oval is also sometimes habitat to endangered Bush Stone-curlews. Council is working on a project to educate residents about these birds at the moment - so this site might be a good option for some signage. I'm happy to discuss this with you further.
I think this will be ugly and won't solve the need for parking. If there is more parking it will just attract more people. If it's hard to park then people will have to go elsewhere
I would strongly support this if it also addressed some of the drainage issues that are present. Muddy/ stagnant water and large puddles for days after rain
if any changes need to occur then this makes some sense but i do not support more car parking. if you provide more parking it will only attract more people and then you will need more parking again
In rain events this area gets extremely wet and boggy. I would support this if the problem is solved. I also note that on tuesdays when the market is on it is extremely difficult to find a park. If this assists this, then it would be a benefit.
In the 2020 floods, I had to help a number of people who live or were staying in the homes along Park St. I'm a fit young male and still struggled to walk against flowing water as it ripped down Park St towards Marshall's Creek. I strongly oppose the parking along Park St. The drain along the entire length of the sports field is filled with water when ever it rains. How will council manage the flood water with car parks in place? Will council encourage people to park where a raging river can be created after every flood?
Is there any tree removal/ vegetation clearing required for this area? Again, I do not support removal of large trees and littoral rainforest vegetation especially at the eastern end of Ocean Ave. Need to do targeted consultation with Council's biodiversity and coastal staff.
It changes the whole feel and quality of life of New Brighton residents for the benefit of non residents who would object strenuously if Council would try to do it near there abode.
It will materially improve parking
It's perfect how it is
It's a highly used area and the parking is largely informal and chaotic. Widening roadways and increasing the amount of designated parking will be of real benefit. Great to see development slated for this part of the Shire.
It's a waste of money.
It's central to the issue and provides the most car parks of all proposals
Leave our flood prone land some ability to absorb the water
Leave the area as it is
Lots of people use this area
Make these changes and you will fundamentally alter the nature of Newy
More removal of trees and privacy for the residents that live there. Leave them there. It's such a lovely walk to and from the beach in ocean ave. I feel the extra parking at Park St is just for the benefit of the farmers markets so is a massive impact for those residents for a three hour market. Fix the carpark up next to the oval though. Full of holes and mud at times. The parking area opposite Salty mangrove and adjacent to the parking is woeful. A drain has been dug which makes it near impossible for a low car to park and not rip their front bumper along the ground. It's way to steep a drain. I can no longer park there after having my bumper ripped off.



<p>MOVE THE MARKETS and solve the problem rather than ruining the amenity of the of the village. Surely, the views of village residents must prevail. It is our home, not a visitor carpark! Residents on both roads would be confronted with car parks on their boundaries instead of natural verges. The majority of residents don't have front fences so the amenity would be destroyed. The proposal for Park St is particularly galling as you would be building on a flood plain.</p>
<p>My concern is Ocean Avenue. It is simply too narrow for this plan. Why is Byron St not included as a site for more parking? It is wider, longer and has more land on either side. Parking there is a short walk to the northern access point to the beach as well as the oval. At present, Ocean Ave is a de facto single lane road . It cannot take parking bays on both sides as well! Level and allocate bays on the north side of the road but not to the south.</p>
<p>need to address the parking along the front of the oval and markets along river st.</p>
<p>New Brighton does not need more parking. The beach is unpatrolled and dangerous</p>
<p>New Brighton is a small village. It is geographically small as it has one road between a river and road. Markets need to be moved and we need to preserve the small village that it is and appreciate that this is why people enjoy visiting. New Brighton is not able to cater for increasing g traffic flow! It is far too dangerous!</p>
<p>No consideration for the several large native trees that these parking spots would destroy including the native and endangered wildlife that are present in the area. I find this survey Bias as there was no mention or consideration for our Coffee Cart business that I have a permit for and operate at ocean avenue when there was mention of the "The Salty Mangrove". I can see the merit in creating car spaces on park street and byron street.</p>
<p>No need</p>
<p>No need for additional formal parking</p>
<p>no need for formal car parking and no need to take out mature native trees</p>
<p>Not sure why bollards are needed? It's important to keep the village feel in this area.</p>
<p>Obviously this involved removing a bunch of trees also but isn't specified. Would be good to get further clarification around this?</p>
<p>Ocean Ave is the hub and needs more parking if it can be sensitively designed. Park Street has significant trees (koala food trees) and a deep drain which is essential in flood times, as well as a small village character which will be spoilt by the proposal as it stands. Additional parking is needed but the density proposed is unacceptable. Avoid trees to retain amenity and habitat and reduce density on resident side.</p>
<p>Ocean St should be closed for all vehicles east of Gaggin St and kept for pedestrians only- reversing vehicles are a huge risk currently for toddlers and all pedestrians Put most of the parking on the west of the ovals off Byron St to service the Creek and the beach - Most are driving to New Brighton to walk their dogs so surely can walk the first 100m to reach the beach</p>
<p>OCEAN STREET. This is complete overkill and will completely decimate the tree lined avenue leading to the beach and forever change the ambience of residents living in that area, 1. The area opposite cafe on the northern side of Ocean Street would benefit from some car spaces but not going further east than the lane between behind homes in Gaggin and Park Street.. There is room for a few car spaces on the southern side of Ocean Avenue outside the cafe but certainly not continuing through to the beach. Ocean Avenue is a narrow street and will never be able to handle the volume of traffic that this proposal will be able to generate. 2. The safety aspects in this area cannot be overlooked with the current proposal. At this spot many young children, dogs, parents and teenagers on bikes use this area to access beach. On market day the corner of River and Ocean Avenue are crowded NOW and we are concerned this would be more hectic crowded in the future with this proposal. Parking has only ever been an issue for 3 hours on market day. The rest of the week all the parking spots on both Ocean Avenue and Park Street are deserted. PARK STREET. The only area in Park Street that requires an upgrade is the western side facing into the oval. Parking on the eastern side would ruin the ambience for the properties in Park Street and create problems for underground facilities ie sewage, drainage, phone lines etc. There are only 2 permanent residents in Park Street -</p>

<p>the rest are holidays houses and holiday rentals so this many car spaces is total overkill. This area also floods very badly and easier and earlier than other areas.</p>
<p>Once again this is a shared pedestrian traffic area, it would make it unsafe</p>
<p>Over the last 34 years since I purchased a property in Ocean Ave, I have seen a huge increase in the amount of cars attempting to park in the local area. This increase has three main causes: 1. The introduction of a dog beach extending south from New Brighton 2. The commencement of the Farmers Market at the New Brighton Oval 3. The increased popularity of the Café adjacent to The New Brighton Store Additionally, the lack of footpaths causes most of the pedestrian using Ocean Ave to walk on the road. The proposed widening of Ocean Ave plus the addition of 90 degree parking on both sides of the street would probably leave no room for footpaths thereby resulting in far more people using the roadway to access the dog beach, markets and shop. However, with cars backing out of the 90 degree parking spots the chances of hitting pedestrians, including large numbers of children, is significantly increased. This could be a significant health and safety issue for council. The widening of Ocean Ave would also require the destruction of a significant amount of native vegetation which significantly adds to the ambiance of the Ocean Ave streetscape. To the north of New Brighton township there are two Reserves for Public Recreation. In 34 years I have never seen anyone in these Reserve areas. Also, the Reserves are thick bushland and therefore not suitable for recreation. Proposed solution: Rather than spread the parking over all the street of New Brighton, concentrate the parking of cars into a dedicated carpark in the northern Reserves. In order to serve the interests of the dog owners, the dog beach could be moved to adjacent to this carpark extending north to South Golden Beach. Such a carpark would also serve the needs of people attending the Farmers Market. An additional benefit of such a car park would be to establish a fire break between the bushland to the north of New Brighton and the village. This would give the Rural Fire Service an advantage in protecting the village from fires coming south through the bushland. To meet the needs of the patrons of the café, there is ample room on the eastern end of Tom Kendall Park for a small off street car park.</p>
<p>parking in new brighton is ok much of the time only really buse on tuesday market day and holiday times. no need to destroy the area and bring more traffic in. e</p>
<p>Parking is not a problem in New Brighton it is mostly quiet and this will destroy the quiet unspoilt seaside village it is</p>
<p>Parking should be around oval. Parking should bon creek side of road plus abovee</p>
<p>Pavement only increases flooding. This village can't withstand that much parking. I would love to walk to the market but it is difficult due to poor footpaths and sharing the footpath with bikes. Discourage cars and fix footpaths.</p>
<p>People already park there, no need to chop down beautiful trees</p>
<p>People tend to park wherever they want creating a traffic hazard. Especially cars parking across the road from the cafe and the creek.</p>
<p>Plan is overkill. Concered about impact on drainage in the area.</p>
<p>Please keep it the same.</p>
<p>Please refer to my emails with regard to specific information</p>
<p>Please spend the money on fixing the drainage issues and Sgb western side streets, this offers long term fixes than widening roads for tourists</p>
<p>Please stop ruining the natural essence of this area and destroying the very thing that makes people love it</p>

<p>Proposal will devalue properties (I don't live there), cause congestion with cars driving up and down looking for parks. My proposal would be to turn the small area of Tom Kendall between Ocean Ave and Park St. into a car park. This would mean moving playground equipment and seating to the soccer field area. As soccer now has a new field on Tweed Valley Way, at best only a small junior field should remain at New Brighton with the rest of the area to be utilised for markets and some parking. Also exercise equipment could be installed to allow the area to be used by all residents, not just soccer players with an "expensive" alternative</p>
<p>Proposal won't increase parking availability as cars already park in proposed area, and aesthetics of formal parking bays will detract from informal village vibe of New Brighton.</p>
<p>Provision of that number of parking spots would change the ambience of the area. It would necessitate the removal of mature native trees and earthworks on the sandy hill in an erosion prone area.</p>
<p>refer previous comments</p>
<p>Refer to comments earlier</p>
<p>Roads will not withstand reverse parking on both sides. We should not be encourage greater visitation to both the creek bank which is deteriorating or the beach that is unpatrolled. To cater for market traffic - this is overkill. Can the end of the oval be repurposed?</p>
<p>Same comment as before. The experience of going to this area is always lovely, including because it is so laid back and in touch with nature by not being overly designed by humans. It's not nature on its own with the park, houses and venues, but it's closer to feeling part of nature than places overly squared and concreted. The parking complexity only happens during the farmers market and it's a vibrant experience to see a village come together and make it work. Creating a formal parking system there will ruin the experience at all time, and won't improve the parking situation during farmers markets because it's always going to be vibrant and busy at the time, and that's the beauty of it. Other major argument against this proposal is the absolute non-sense of adding concreted spaces in an area that floods so easily. Concrete and runoff water are not compatible, and these are completely unnecessary changes. Maintaining the spaces as they are is all that's needed.</p>
<p>Same comments as for park street</p>
<p>Same concerns here. Concrete and white lines will kill this special areas</p>
<p>Scheme is a potential loss of shade and habitat trees and if there is any fill required you are making for aggravating flooding problems</p>
<p>Sealing is awful. Why can't the money be spent on the bridge at the end of Kolora Way, as promised years ago. It's bloody dangerous.</p>
<p>See initial submission section. Proposed parking will severely and adversely affect the village. We are a small community. New Brighton is the original village which existed long before the creation of Ocean Shores. Such improvements are not to the benefit of the homeowners and residents of the village. They are solely to support visitors who have no investment in the environs of the village. We all live here because we love the existing village community and its ambience and environment.</p>
<p>See previous comments, councils infrastructure materials and design are in general pretty horrid, which will spoil the natural, simple aesthetic which New Brighton is loved for. Extra carparking beyond the playground should be avoided.</p>
<p>See previous feedback</p>
<p>Seems like a lot of parking for a small area. What about parking on the main street along the creek? And around the oval?</p>
<p>Seems to be too many new carparks allocated to that particular area. I don't know how you can achieve this proposal on Ocean St with parking on both sides of the road. Maybe you could put some in Gaggin St?</p>
<p>Signage and clear delineation of parking would be great</p>

So long as locals don't pay
Something needs to be done to make it easier for locals & visitors to drive thru
Strongly against the proposals at north end of Park Street - this area of land has been identified for potential other higher purpose uses.
Strongly oppose re Ocean Ave. This development will destroy the feel and ambience of this part of New Brighton. I have always been able to get a park when going to the beach.
Strongly oppose the ocean avenue parking plan especially the ones closer to beach access. Also are you going to cut down trees in this proposal as I cannot see how you can create that many car spots without cutting trees. Transparency would be good, thanks.
Suffocating this beautiful land with sealed parking - strongly oppose.
suggest another accessible parking option at river street end, interested to better understand impact on residents of ocean avenue, park street, goggin st before fully supporting this plan.
Terrible for the current residents the markets really need to be moved to a better location it's crowded dangerous and inadequate parking this proposal is not realistic move the markets unfair to residents
That Council is proposing 130+ hard surfaced parking spaces in the precincts around New Brighton amidst threats from heatwaves and climate change is a shocking idea. This area is the most vulnerable part of the floodplain within our three villages. We believe substantial vegetation is being proposed for removal in certain streets e.g. Ocean St prior to hard surface spaces being constructed. This proposal will both substantially impact the social and ecological fabric of New Brighton as well as increase the run-off and flood potential. Our northern shire areas have seen an increase from non residents following a few key changes. One was the closure of off-leash dog areas on many Tweed beaches. Another, the loss of slow pace in Byron and the introduction there of paid parking. That residents in this northern area lose their amenity because of outside pressures should be discussed, reviewed and properly considered in the bigger context. New Brighton is a quiet peaceful village within the Marshalls Creek Nature Reserve and we like it that way. The local fauna and flora is under threat because of increased human pressure. There is a small bush curlew population and a reproduction site for loggerhead turtles. Building more parking to cater to vehicle traffic isn't the answer. Our feeder roads and residents are noticing and feeling the impact by the speed and lack of care on these roads. Many of those drivers are visitors and not residents. We strongly recommend that the need and determination for such a proposal be included within the Future Place Planning for our three villages due to commence in the second half of this year and into 2025. This will enable proper consultation and holistic decision-making to be undertaken. The residents of New Brighton (and South Golden Beach and Ocean Shores) are still very fragile post 2022 floods and this proposal is creating significant community angst. We welcome conversation with any relevant Council staff or elected representatives around this matter.
The area needs a bit more parking but this seems excessive. I feel for the local residents and potentially this area can't cope with that amount of traffic. We need more parking along the creek and around the oval.
The area not supposed to hold that many cars and people. Area too small
The areas flood. We dont more more people and cars when the infrastructure crumbles as soon as it rains
The facilities in New Brighton will not cope with more visitors.
The infrastructure not suitable for any more traffic...
The look and feel of this section of new brighton will change dramatically with so many carspaces. The carspace placement and aesthetic (including landscaping) needs to be reconsidered, i.e less carspaces , grouped in smaller lots , with intermittent landscaping plots for trees and vegetation. Perhaps the market has outgrown it's location and needs to be relocated?

The nature of the development is not in the character of the village. Note that the village has been trying to engage with Council for 4 years to help define an accepted village plan, and without that process having been completed and accepted, any major works that affect the village character are premature and likely out of character with long term vision. It is worth noting that [REDACTED] had started to engage with residents regarding developing a drainage plan for the village, and identified it as one of the highest priority localities for works of this type in the shire. Any infrastructure that is put in place before any overall plan for drainage requirements is premature. Further, as rate payers, we consider that the allocation of funds to this project is inappropriate while other issues are ignored.

The number of parking bays proposed here is outrageous. There is only a corner store, a cafe and a small soccer field here - it doesn't warrant this many car parks. Especially given that it is in one of THE most fragile environments for flooding in the entire shire. This very small part of the region has always had a very special green feel but over the years, the majestic coastal banksias that used to surround the soccer field have gone and not been replaced. To think of removing more vegetation and destabilising the soil here would be disastrous for future flood events. Vegetation must be a priority not only for amenity and the quintessential character of the place, but for the stability during a flood event. And what kind of fill and how much of it would have to be brought in to make these carparks? That is a very bad idea; the water displacement caused by any fill will make flooding worse in other places. It makes no sense in this location. Who are all these carparks for? Daytrippers and tourists, probably and that also seems to make no sense bringing more people to a beach that is unpatrolled.

The only thing to add is that the Park street beach access needs clear large signs to say no dogs here. As this access is north of the dog beach. Ocean Ave is a dog beach.

the parking is not close to the beach

The residents on ocean avenue have a right to peace and privacy, creating 30 new car parks will not only destroy the peace and privacy of the locals but will also cause chaos with traffic and completely ruin the village atmosphere that New Brighton currently has.

The village appeal of New Brighton is characterised by its soft edged streets and natural landscape that has evolved over many years. Roadways that are not much more than tracks are a significant contributor to the appeal of the town. Tripling the width of the sealed area would bring an unwanted sense of urbanity that is simply inappropriate for New Brighton, particularly in the format as proposed on the diagram above. A significantly reduced number of car spaces, provided via a permeable surfacing treatment in clusters on the western side of the street only. Rather than unbroken lines of carparking, regular gaps between car spaces for deep planting zones for shade trees should be provided. We would be interested to review the data that Council has obtained to support the parking quantities being proposed.

There are already too many cars going east of Gaggin St. Why not limit the parking to the areas around the park and pedestrianise access to the beach from there? You could fix the drainage around the park at the same time.

There are way too many parking spots added, especially along Ocean Avenue. The parking study should include Byron St as well which is heavily used on market days and sporting events. Adding more parking only makes it more convenient to drive. Council should instead invest more money in alternatives like a level cycleway from Ocean Shores to New Brighton.

<p>There is already sufficient space for informal car parks along Park Street that aren't an issue and doesn't interfere with the minimal drainage infrastructure that's currently grated into the road. Just last week with the heavy rain, Park Street was under water. See photos taken on Friday 5 April of flooding at Park Street where the car parks would be. This happens very regularly. Imagine how much worse it would be once there is the fill and asphalt. *By adding asphalt car parks, it would mean more fill being added along with asphalt which therefore creates more water to run off and down into the houses yards on this street, which are already flood prone! *Adding car parks in park street would encourage campervans/vans to the area. This is already a growing problem in the area, especially on Byron Street by the soccer field. *Adding 136 car parks that are black asphalt with white lines along Ocean Avenue and Park Street, along with North Head Road area will interrupt the village charm and beauty. Visitors come to the village because of its laid back, old style charm filled with trees, a flowing river and the beach. New Brighton gives a feeling of nostalgia! *Removal of native tree's are definitely not needed! The black asphalt will create more heat, and less airflow not having the trees to help with airflow and cooling. *The Farmers Market 17 years ago when it first begun was 1/4 of the size it is now. At this time, the village could sustain this small market. Now, the amount of visitors that attend the market has quadrupled in size. Hundreds of people attend the market, where cars are running out of room to park. New Brighton Village who has a population of 356 (see ref), and the market has grown so much in size that it has outgrown our village. **New Brighton only has 1 restaurant and 1 general store. Why do we need more car parks when the only time New Brighton gets busy is for Market day. The market is only 1 morning every week. We do not need 100's of car parks just for 1 morning of the week. Solutions/alternatives to help our Village *If Market stays in New Brighton, encouraging bikes and walking by providing a bike/footpath that links up all of ocean shores new brighton and south golden. E bikes are on the rise, why not provide an e bike charge station and bike racks to create this mode of transport. Its better on the environment with less carbon emissions and it is more safe *The road/bridge to Kolora way from New Brighton is extremely dangerous! The road itself is extremely narrow, there are numerous pot holes, and when a bus is met with a car they cannot both get through almost always causing an accident. There is no signage to give way. There is also no where to ride a bike or no foot path for pedestrians! If we could fix this area, then more locals could walk and ride to the market, along with children riding to school with less buses on the road. *We need help with The riverbank that's falling on river street/esplanade/casons lane corner. *Stormwater and drainage. Flooding mitigated *Roads to be resurfaced A bike path that links Ocean Shores South to Ocean shores North through New Brighton and South golden. Children can't cycle to Ocean Shores school on a bike path! *At least 20 Native Banksias have been removed from Byron street and park street next to soccer oval by Council and have never been replanted! Why is it that residents need to plant extra trees when removing a tree (after gaining approval through council) but council do not have to replant?</p>
<p>There is not enough room on Park St and the impact on residents unfair. People can park there anytime but they don't...only for farmers markets and soccer. Ocean Avenue makes sense but not Park St. People never use that beach access.</p>
<p>there is one narrow through road and it is already very busy with speeding traffic. it is very difficult to even cross the road. what measures are o]in place to compensate for the local residents' loss of peace and increased dangers.</p>
<p>There is too many car spaces proposed here. Park st especially is a residential street. More parking should be provided on the other side of the oval not on park at.</p>
<p>There should be no loss of trees, why do the parks have to be sealed? What can't they be gravel or grass, sealing the car parks will affect the ambience and character of the area, don't want to make it easier for people to swim at an unpatrolled beach</p>
<p>This area would benefit only on market day</p>
<p>This is a complete over kill we do not need this we need compliance to step up and start fining</p>
<p>This is a horrendous loss of amenity to local residents. The level of traffic this would generate is unacceptable for the local street nature and would create an unreasonable safety risk. This option</p>

<p>CANNOT proceed. I cannot believe there is enough space to even consider this. Parking could MAYBE be considered on the north side of the park, but that where the markets are, which is the primary cause of parking congestion to begin with. Also, these roads are dead ends and there is already issues with cars passing when people park on the verge. It's simply just not an option.</p>
<p>This is an outrageous expansion of existing parking facilities. The parking bays on Park Street ( particularly on the East side ) will have a large impact on existing residents. The huge expansion on Ocean Avenue will turn the main thoroughfare to the beach into something resembling the wasteland of a Woolie's car park. The enormous amount of greenery that would need to be removed would leave an ugly scar. Pity the poor residents close to the widened road. Perhaps there is some justification for expanding the existing car park East of the Gaggin Street intersection as residents there knew they were buying next to a car park. Not so those poor souls to the West. New Brighton is supposed to be a quiet village, as it has been for most of the forty years my wife and I have lived here. Why is council trying to massively expand car parking in the very heart of this village creating an incentive for large crowds and an absolute eyesore as well?</p>
<p>This is an utterly outrageous proposal that would effectively destroy the village of New Brighton. Much of the issue around parking that you seem to have identified would be a direct result of those people who intend to use the dog beach. To put the most parking at the northern end of the dog section would undoubtedly place great pressure on the fragile environment to which this entry point gives people access (immediately to the north) and which many residents over many years have put a lot of time and energy into protecting (including Tom Kendall after whom the park near here is named). People visiting this area already flout the rules regarding dog use on the beach and this proposal would effectively ensure that this issue would be greatly exacerbated. For all the residents, who pay rates and for whom this council should put first in their decisions, I implore you not to go through with this appalling proposal. It would mean the end of New Brighton and would destroy the beach.</p>
<p>This is have a negative impact on the flora and fauna of the region. It will be aesthetically unwelcoming and could create a place for graffiti and antisocial activities.</p>
<p>This is unnecessary &amp; will dramatically change the appearance &amp; ambiance of our small community. Why on earth would we need 138 carparks for a suburb with one cafe? This is a wild misuse of rate payers money &amp; does not benefit the residents whatsoever .</p>
<p>This is unsafe for pedestrians and dogs</p>
<p>This needs to happen. The market and beach are getting more and more popular. People are parking haphazardly in these areas anyway, may as well make it organised.</p>
<p>This option makes most sense. Provide additional parking where it is needed: adjacent to a commercial premise, sports field and natural waterway which are all in high-demand for the community. This proposal does not require removal of the natural values that make NB special and proposes hardstand in areas that are already heavily modified bywith hardstand.</p>
<p>This plan sucks all of the charm of this village. Revolting. Tasteless.</p>
<p>This proposal goes against the natural character of the area,the main reason people choose to live here and visit.The proposed areas are natural drains that hold water run-off and let it drain evaporate slowly.Sealing these areas will have major impact on the areas poor drainage and cause run-off to enter surrounding properties. These areas have remained unsealed for goods reason as the area is a flood plain that requires water to infiltrate the ground to escape.The natural feel of the area will be lost with this proposal and the regular flooding will addnsignicant costs to upkeep and maintenance of council assets and residential properties</p>
<p>This takes the pressure off Nth Head Road which is a shared zone. For adults and children walking to the beach, the traffic travels too fast</p>
<p>This will be good. However it would be also good to work with the local residents to stop planting all the way out to the road. It means no one can park on the street. I would like to point out that as a property owner in Mullumbimby I was told to remove curbside plantings or be fined. I do not think it is equitable that in New Brighton they are allowed to do this.</p>

<p>This will change the integrity of NB. It will look like the Gold Coast! This will bring too many people to the area. It is not a patrolled beach and this idea is fraught with safety issues. This will also require you to cut down a lot of trees. This area is special because of the nature. You are literally proposing 'to pave paradise to put up a parking lot!' This is a quiet part of the shire and will just bring too many people to the area. Please rethink this plan. Putting in more car parks is not the answer.</p>
<p>This will completely change the beachside nature of the area.</p>
<p>This will ruin the unique village atmosphere at NB. Diminish quality of life for residents whose needs are paramount. Fix the roads and provide drainage instead.</p>
<p>This would benefit the community greatly and provide beach access to more of the community and visitors.</p>
<p>This would make the area look totally like a shopping centre. Very unfair to the residents in those streets &amp; nearby area. On most days of the week there isn't a car on park street. Only the corner of Ocean Ave, outside Salty Mangrove is a bit busy.</p>
<p>Too many car parks not needed.</p>
<p>Too many car parks we do not need that many cars coming in and out.</p>
<p>Total overkill. Will change the look and feel of the place. I come here because of the laid back feel and natural vibe. This amount of parking will change the vibe completely.</p>
<p>Totally against the ethos of our neighbourhood! Happy for you to tidy up the existing parking bays, but strongly opposed to the removal of any vegetation! We live here for the nature!</p>
<p>trees being cut/black bitumen &amp; marking /signs all will ruin the ambience of our beautiful seaside village</p>
<p>Vehemently oppose widening and sealing of anywhere in this area, and especially along Ocean Avenue would be devastating. Car parking along Park Street seems to work fairly well, without widening or sealing required; but to do so on the other side would be more destructive than anything else. To further tamper with Ocean Avenue (especially beach side of Gaggin Street) would really be deflating to one's soul.</p>
<p>We already have a lot of parking area. Does it really need to be so citified ? I think the way it is now more cars can park than if you do this plan .</p>
<p>We don't need this, especially the scale of what you're proposing! This will again kill the ambience of new Brighton. Sometimes it's busy at new Brighton but everyone still finds a park no worries! Spend the money where we really need it! Fix the drains, roads and footpaths. That flooding on river street is absolutely horrible and so dangerous actually!</p>
<p>We live in this area and are not aware of issues that would require these changes. There are infrequent occasions where I have observed visiting cars waiting short periods to access parking at the beach end of Ocean Avenue, but most of the time, the areas outlined in this proposal have no, or very few cars parked there. These changes seem dramatic and unnecessary and will spoil the relaxed look and feel of New Brighton which is what residents have come to enjoy.</p>
<p>We need this sort of parking - hopefully it is not too many spots</p>
<p>Well overdue. Drainage infrastructure may need careful consideration.</p>
<p>Why is there a need for 138 parking bays on Ocean and Park Streets, as there is sufficient parking available for beach and the cafe. This parking proposal is only for the farmers market, which is held once a week on Tuesdays. Solution, move the markets to a more appropriate location.</p>
<p>Why? Again, I just echo what I have previously said in my other comments. We don't need anymore parking spaces in New Brighton.</p>
<p>Will completely ruin the character of the area</p>
<p>Will provide badly needed additional parking. (Also - if signs are added for these parking spaces, but NOT for the North Head Rd carpark, then the North Head Rd carpark will remain mainly locals which will mean locals will still have a half-decent chance of finding a spot at peak times)</p>
<p>Would far rather the road/bridge to Kolora be made safe for pedestrians/bike riders and the road on River Street be made clear of water when it rains!!</p>



Yes agree! This area is chaos
Yes please! The sooner, the better!
Yes to Park Street parking bays that will have gravel that rainfall can soak in or rather than run off. Tidy up existing parks on Ocean Ave but not to add more.
You want to add 138 parking spaces to an unpatrolled beach?

## Emails and calls register

Most engineering and planning guidelines suggest that a nature strip of between 3.5m and 5.5m to provide for pedestrian access disabled access and the provision of services etc. To propose no nature strip is positively outrageous given the loss of amenity for the local residents and a danger to people trying to access the park or the beach. Byron Shire Councils DCP for street tree planting states that a tree should be able to be planted every 1 to 3 lots and Council car parking areas should demonstrate that shade trees can be incorporated into the design. Once again this proposal fails dismally. The Swamp Mahogany on the Western side of Park Street will need to be protected as not only are they a Koala food tree but also provide visual amenity. Mathematically your proposal assumes in a 20m road reserve 6m of 90 degrees parking on either side of the road with a 8m sealed road. So if we start reducing that by say 2m to save the trees and 6m for nature strip provision of services and stormwater control the proposed parking on the eastern side of Park Street should be removed. Recently I installed a new driveway and pipe crossing via a S138 approval which was a Development Consent condition this DA included a second stage which could be comprised if Council rips out the pipe crossing and asphalt and concrete as it will not be in accordance with the approved plans.

██████████ Park Street, New Brighton and the proposal is totally unacceptable. The village association and residents responded to this previously but the submissions seem to have fallen an death ears. A easy way to relieve the parking situation is to relocate the farmers market. The proposal seems to favour day trippers over local residents. Whilst kerb and guttering and parallel parking might be acceptable on the eastern side of Park Street the proposal as proposed is unacceptable for the following reasons, 1 The proposed road widening and provision for parking will require fill which is prohibited by The Marshall's Creek flood study. 2 The entire road reserve is to be utilised which means there will be no footpath. 3 Where will the garbage bins be placed. 4 The parking will go over our stormwater pipes which need to be quite deep into the existing table drains because of the flat terrain. 5 The parking will go over the vacuum sewer, water and fire hydrants. 6. How will the storm water and run-off be controlled given the flat terrain. 7 Because of the zero setbacks headlights will shine directly into residences. 8 The project in its entirety will need to be referred to The flood management committee for modelling as the proposal has a big chance of changing drainage patterns and causing localised flooding to low set dwellings. 9 it appears as if the proposed parking in Ocean Street will stop our access to the rear lane.

We live in Langi Pl and walk daily to the New Brighton beach. Have you ever considered encouraging cars OFF the road by putting in good footpaths for residents and visitors to walk to the beach from up the hill in Ocean Shores instead of making it easier to park vehicles? How much better for the environment and the population's health if they felt safe walking down the hill on a footpath instead of tripping over tree roots or having to walk on the road because the road frontage is covered in boats trailers and cars. Please consider this when making decisions which just increases the choice to drive, instead of walking, and adding to the potholes!

Thank you for your time

The proposal is completely out of character for the village of New Brighton. By placing so many parking spots right up to the street boundaries of the private properties there is no allowance for footpaths forcing pedestrians to walk along a narrow roadway. Having nose in parking on both sides of such a narrow road will cause traffic issues. Having car parking abutting private property boundaries is akin to being in a commercially zoned area! This is not a shopping mall and we object strongly to any implementation of the proposal. Apart from the lack of pedestrian usage, where would we place our rubbish bins? Nose in parking should only be considered on the park side of the road.

I filled out a survey but could not put this image in my survey response  
I live in Ocean Shores and drive and park every morning to walk the beach (and pick up plastics)  
I put it my survey that every carpark for the beach is important especially due to the increasing demand for them now BSC has allowed infill housing in Ocean Shores and is expecting more.  
My interest centred around the immediate precinct of River St and Pacific St  
There are a few informal carparks in this area that could easily and cheaply become formalised.  
In other words, they are low hanging fruit in the quest to attain more beach parking.  
The four yellow spots are safe spaces that only need maybe signage and marking.  
The four orange one just need line marking to make sure four cars can park there, rather than one car taking up what could be two spaces.  
The blue ones are a bit less obvious and the adjoining owner has planted out the road reserve for their own privacy screening. Thanking you in anticipation.

I am very grateful that attempts are being made to improve parking at New Brighton Beach, however, living in Pacific Street, which is often overcrowded when the surf is up or people wish to take their dogs for a walk, none of these suggestions, help those of us living in Pacific Street.  
My suggestion would be to seal much more of The Esplanade South creating not only six, but perhaps 16 parking places.  
It would also be helpful to seal the four parking places available leading to the beach from River Street.

#### Esplanade parking

- Would like additional formalised parking at the esplanade south.
- The road used to be a through road.
- Feels that the reasons noted in why we cant have additional parking don't apply to the esplanade south.
- Feels that the road should be one way and go all the way through.
- Has concerns that the property owners have planted palms and trees which has impacted parking and access.
- concerns that residents have put bollards in as well.
- Would prefer to add nose in 45-degree parking all the way to the last house.
- Make the remainder of the road one way through the rest of the road.
- Would prefer the parking to return to how it used to be.

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plan of further flooding mitigation measures via a community meeting. It is immensely disappointing and appalling parking is a priority rather than Council facilitate their ratepayers in accelerating flooding resistance. As a community we eagerly await a formal response via return email or to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] New Brighton, NSW. Ratepayers of New Brighton

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The proposal of parking in Park Street and Ocean Avenue, is outrageous and unacceptable. Never been a problem with visitors and beach goers for parking in Ocean Avenue and Park Street, as there is plenty of parking available. This proposal is just a smoke screen for the Farmers Market, which is only once a week. Objections. 1) Headlights shinning into residential properties. 2) Obstructing laneway between Gaggin and Park Streets.3) Widening the roads means no footpaths for pedestrians, eg. mums with prams, elderly people, disabled people etc, etc.4) Residents storm water pipes will have interference with the flow and drainage out of their properties. 5) Proposed parking will also go over the vacuum sewer, water and fire hydrants.6) Worried about change of drainage patterns will cause more flooding in Park Street. As we live in a flood prone area, with a no fill policy, council will probably put fill on the eastern side of Park Street, for the levelling of surface for the proposed changes of parking. Back in 1998/1999 council allowed many trucks of fill up Byron Street, filling floodplain area for a house to be built. As a result of this our house, [REDACTED] Park Street, flooded in the year 2000. Since then we have flooded 5 more times. Council leave our little village of New Brighton alone. Fix drainage and roads instead. Locals and visitors enjoy the natural beauty of our village.

Hi Isabella, I refer to your letter dated 5 March 2024 inviting community consultation for proposed changes to parking in New Brighton. Thanks for the opportunity to make comments. I live at [REDACTED] Langi Place, Ocean Shores and received your letter in my mailbox last month. I generally support the provision of parking in the diagrams that you have provided as this makes good use of the existing road reserves. Please note that over the years, I have noticed some landowners undertaking plantings within these road reserve as a means of preventing parking. I do understand that landowners have done this to try to reduce impacts on their property. However, I feel that public land should be available for use by the public. Therefore, I think that Council should be entitled to remove some or all of the plantings to achieve a net community benefit. I would like to draw Council's attention to the northern end of The Esplanade, which has not been considered in your letter. The aerial photograph below from SIX Maps shows a wide road reserve in this location that has in recent years been planted by the adjoining landowner. This area was previously used as parking by beachgoers, but this has been restricted by plantings and bollards. Note that this area has a wide verge that can support angled nose-in parking (see photograph as an example). The planted trees sit below an electricity transmission line that requires vegetation to be maintained. This is a logical beachside location to reinstate parking for use by the community. I do note that there is a pathway in this verge which may raise a question of safety. However, I believe that this can remain in place or could be realigned to the eastern side of new parking spaces if required. An existing example of parking and the pathway co-existing can be found just to the south of the marked area where 4 x parking spaces are located adjacent to the beach access point. I would like to raise some other considerations that I think Council should action. In addition to providing parking within the local area, I suggest that Council improve the pedestrian network from Ocean Shores to the beach access points and New Brighton in general. I do note that in October 2019, Council adopted a Pedestrian and Mobility Access Plan - <https://www.byron.nsw.gov.au/Council/Plans-Strategies/Roads-Infrastructure/Pedestrian-Access-Mobility-Plan> We are almost 5 years into this 10 year plan, yet not a single new path that has been identified within this plan for the Ocean Shores area has been constructed (I note that the Balemo Drive bike path was already under construction when this plan was being formulated). Even just small extensions of the existing path that is located within Strand Avenue to Orana Road and Langi Place will provide safe pedestrian access for up to one hundred dwellings. The aerial photograph below from SIX maps circles over 45 units alone within 300 metres of the existing path. Many of these units are occupied by elderly residents that require safe access to the beach. Currently, people are forced to walk on the dangerous roadside due to wet/slippery

verges. It is great to provide parking in New Brighton, but I think that it is extremely important to implement the Council endorsed pedestrian access paths to reduce the reliance on vehicles. Speaking of safe pedestrian access, I strongly suggest that some additional traffic calming measures need to be installed within Strand Avenue and Orana Road. The improvement of parking in New Brighton will ultimately result in more traffic movements on these roadways. Increases in traffic are clearly noticeable on Farmers Market days on Tuesday mornings. Unfortunately, many drivers seem to be in a rush to arrive at the market site and regularly speed on Orana Road and Strand Avenue. This is a serious safety issue for pedestrians and school children waiting for their bus or riding to school. Feel free to get in contact with any queries. Can you please confirm that you have received this email for consideration.



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What is proposed would be a total disaster for this very narrow avenue leading to the beach and irreversibly ruin the ambience for the residents and in fact, the entire village. However a few parking spaces on the northern side of Ocean avenue from River Street to the Lane behind the houses in Gaggin Street and Park Street and facing into Tom Kendall Park. To continue further along Ocean Avenue to the beach would be a total disaster for the area and completely ruin the privacy and aesthetics for the resident, pedestrians and visitors alike as this is a lovely treed avenue all the way to the beach. To do so would mean taking out all trees and vegetation leaving no room for people to walk and cars to manouver.

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To implement what is proposed would be extremely dangerous for kids, dogs, bikes and all pedestrians. If there were cars parked on both sides of the Ocean Avenue there would be no room for cars to drive in both directions.

#### PARK STREET

Park Street should be confined to the western side facing the oval but not in front of properties on the eastern side. This would completely cover their water, sewage and phone lines along the street. There are very few local residents in Park Street most are holiday lets for a very short period of the year and all have onsite parking. Park Street is one of the first areas of NB to flood everytime.. NB only has a parking priority for 3 hours on Tuesdays for the market and the rest of the time the village is empty and the last thing we need is to turn our village into another Gold Coast. parking lot. Having recently spoken to numerous residents what we really need our communities' money spent on is fixing our atrocious roads and drainage problems.

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24th March 2024

#### PARKING PLAN SOUTH NEW BRIGHTON CARPARK

On observing your plan to formalise South New Brighton Carpark we notice that it has allowed for 9 carparks between our entrance and the showers. This would give us only a 3mt wide exit – our gate is 4.7mt wide which is necessary for Emergency and larger vehicles. We both have severe health conditions and have required emergency ambulance attendance over the last few years. Any obstruction to our entrance could be potentially life threatening. Trucks, family caravans etc also need access to our property.

We should have an allowance for a green verge on either side of our crossover as have the rest of the properties in New Brighton.

We are also very concerned and fear that with the carpark being sealed that some vehicles will misuse the area especially at night. Hooning is an increasing issue in the area.

We also notice that you have indicated only one tree in the area between our gate and ■ North Head Road entrance. In fact there are at least 5 very large native Melaleucas which would have to be cut down to facilitate your plan. These Melaleucas are the forefront of a large grove of at least 30 Melaleucas which are crucial to the ecology of the local environment and any culling would impact adversely on the stability of the entire grove. Cars currently angle park between the trees so your plan to cull them is unnecessary.

The carpark is very rarely ever full and we as long term residents have not observed any parking

problems in our area.

New Brighton has always been a small casual coastal village that oozes charm and has a peaceful relaxed ambiance with freedom for all including areas for our furry friends. Because of its charm it is in demand but to accommodate the growth of nearby areas we could ruin what we have and what we have come here for.

This was taken last Thursday as you can see the parking proposal will take away all our stormwater storage and almost certainly cause water to be directed into Park Street properties and in case of my neighbours whose house is at ground level almost certainly flooding it.

The road was impassable the other day so with all the redirected stormwater from Park and Ocean Ave the intersection with River Street will be cut off at high tide and cause localised flooding to the shop and the adjacent house in Ocean Avenue

Re Car parking proposal in New Brighton The letter sent to residents quoted members of the community and Council members having concerns re parking. Lack of detail about the concerns of these people make it difficult to frame a completely relevant response. Is this concern about difficulty in parking for Market mornings? Is it concern that not enough people can go to the Salty Mangrove (is there some conflict of interest here?)? Is it a concern that people might have to walk a couple of hundred metres to the beach? All of this should be balanced against the damage it would do to the 'village' atmosphere that makes New Brighton so loved by its residents and desired by visitors. It is indeed ironic that this proposal would in fact destroy a large part of the attraction locals others feel for this place. It seems unlikely that the planners have actually visited the sites listed. To create 90 degree parking on either side of Ocean Avenue would involve cutting into sand banks, removing established and stabilising vegetation and impacting extremely negatively the amenity of the residents living along that street. It would also cause a decrease in their property values and an increase in the likelihood of damage to their properties. It seems odd that the creation of 6 spaces is suggested for The Esplanade south. Many more than 6 cars are often seen parking there already. There is a Give Way sign there already. I repeat – have the planners actually been to the site? Parking on either side of Park Street would similarly impact the residents living in that Street negatively. There is also a puzzling paradox. Council has recently placed wooden poles along the River Street edge of the oval, presumably to stop people parking close to the playing area. The poles on the Park Street perimeter are closely adjacent to the playing area. Why then is it acceptable for people to park on the eastern side of the oval very close to where sport is played. If these Park Street spaces become a reality, that will undoubtedly encourage people to go to the beach via the track which currently enters the beach a few hundred metres into the dog free part of the beach – right next to the nature reserve. Having observed the lack of respect some dog owners show for the environment, this would have a severely detrimental effect on the many threatened species that take refuge in this section of the beach. The proposed changes to the car park on North Head Road would clearly involve the removal of large trees for the sake of perhaps 2 or 3 spaces. Is that really a good idea? I am sure the residents of New Brighton would think not. I would be interested to know how many community members and which Councillors have been making these requests of Council. If people are camping illegally here (and I have to say I have not noticed this) an attraction may well be the barbeque that the Council installed against the express wishes of many of the residents. Making parking plentiful would surely exacerbate this situation rather than solve it. The concentration of people around River Street opposite the Newy Store (an institution to locals - rather than the Salty Mangrove), is indeed problematic. It is an extremely dangerous situation already, with young children crossing the road unattended. An increase in parking in this vicinity could well prove to be tragic and responsible Councillors should be looking at ways to restrict traffic rather than increase the number of cars. Attracting additional beachgoers to an unpatrolled and clearly challenging ocean environment could also prove fatal to visitors unfamiliar with conditions. Again, responsible Councillors should be looking at ways to reduce the likelihood of harm to visitors to Byron Shire by perhaps providing easier access to patrolled beaches at Brunswick Heads and South Golden Beach. Drainage in this fragile coastal environment is of vital importance. When heavy downpours occur much of the water is absorbed quickly by the sandy soil. If this soil is replaced by sealed surfaces this will add to runoff going straight into the river – with the accompanying rubbish that would undoubtedly be left by the increased number of visitors to our village! This will also add to the volume of water flowing past and potentially undercutting the road at River Street. Are there any solutions? It was mooted some time ago that the New Brighton Market should be moved. Perhaps this idea could be revisited. It is a small market and already the queues are long. If more and more people come it will also be 'ruined' by being loved too much. Small is often better and restricting the number of cars may well be an effective control mechanism. A small increase in parking spaces could

be achieved by moving the posts on the southern side of the oval to the north and allowing parking there on a surface that would allow water to soak into the soil. Directional signs pointing the way to the 'Dog Beach' and discouraging dog owners from accessing the beach to the north would be necessary. There must be some encouragement given to people riding bicycles to the village, with lockable bike racks readily available and close to the beach. There would be no need to chop down trees to accommodate this innovation. Finally, I have always thought that one of the main roles of Councils is to protect the amenity of its residents. This change would be in direct contradiction of that responsibility. To facilitate this change would be to kowtow to an amorphous group of people at the expense of the residents.

My husband and I reside at [redacted] Ocean Ave New Brighton. We would like to comment on proposed changes to parking in our beautiful village. The top priority for council in New Brighton is one that has been totally neglected, and you would be very well aware of the residents' feelings about this issue. The issue of drainage and roads needs to be the top priority of this Council, not just formulating plans, but implementing them. NO other expenditure in New Brighton should take priority over this. We strongly object to any other major works here until this issue is addressed as a priority. New Brighton has a unique atmosphere and lifestyle, which will be totally and permanently destroyed to the detriment of the New Brighton residents, if these proposed plans proceed. Your responsibility is to the residents, not to others who wish to use the area. As residents of Ocean Ave, the impact will be horrendous. You are planning to turn the whole of Ocean Ave into a car park. As it is currently, it is already dangerous to walk the Avenue, with the number of cars coming and going in the narrow street. By more than doubling the parking, cars going both ways, will make it a very dangerous narrow street without a footpath. Furthermore, the environmental impact will be significant because you are removing trees, plants and grass, and making a natural environment into an ugly large car park. In addition, with all the extra people, there are inadequate amenities to cater for the increased numbers of people. At the present time, anyone who drives to the village can find parking, but it may require a walk of a couple of hundred metres on busier days. Even on market day, when there is a large influx of cars for several hours, everyone seems to find a parking spot, therefore there should not be a problem on less busy days. Therefore a plan to provide extra parking and ruining the feel of our beautiful village is ludicrous.

We are the owners of [redacted] Park Street, New Brighton and wish to make a submission regarding the street parking proposal. Like most others who come to New Brighton, we are attracted by its low key natural character. The village appeal of New Brighton is characterised by its soft edged streets and landscape that has evolved over many years. We are primarily concerned with what appears to be a major oversupply of carparking via the proposal for 138 car spaces in Park Street and Ocean Avenue. The volume of beachgoers to the New Brighton beach via the north end of Park Street does not exist and does not justify such an expansive over supply of parking that is being proposed by Council. The visual impact of turning a simple village lane into a major carpark by tripling its non-permeable area is an inappropriate response in a village with a character such as New Brighton. The farmers market is an event that happens for a few hours once a week and visitors manage to park their cars not just along Park Street, but all across New Brighton. We have not experienced any local events that would justify the need for such an extensive carparking scheme, it seems unnecessary. A significantly reduced number of car spaces, provided via a permeable surfacing treatment in clusters rather than unbroken lines of carparking with regular breaks between carspaces for deep planting zones for shade trees would be a welcome contribution to softening. Sincerely

Hi there, I'm based at Ocean Shores and regularly go to the beach at New Brighton. I'm in support of the proposed changes at The Esplanade and Strand Ave intersection and am in support of increased parking at Park St and Ocean Ave. This will be especially helpful on market days over Summer, when it can be tricky to find a parking spot (at times). However, I do not like the proposed changes for North Head Road. I would like those trees to stay as they are and the parking lot to stay as it is - e.g., unpaved and unmarked. I go down here frequently and it is seldom the case that I cannot find a carpark. And it is easy enough to drive up the road to find a spot. I really don't want those beautiful trees cut down on the sides of the current parking lot. Their shade is useful on hot days (when the time of day is right). Nor do I want the surface covered in bitumen. It will dramatically change the look and feel of the area. Keep it as it is.

█ raised the following concerns in the face to face consultation process

- in the mornings, cars coming along the road, with dogs barking, which disturbs local residents at 6AM in the morning. Joy would like to see more formalised parking with clean sealed access. There is a lack of space for garbage trucks to turn around, lots of dust from the gravel roads, maintenance is poor. Use the money to fix the roads, potholes and drainage. Signage is poor and covered by trees and branches, there is no footpath, people walk alongside road and dogs are unleashed and barking.

Please accept this email as our formal objection to the councils proposed car parking proposal in Ocean Avenue and the surrounding streets of New Brighton...

Our home is at █ Ocean Avenue, on the corner of Terrace St., aside from the loss ambience our principal objection is the creation of significantly more hard surfaces, this will exacerbate the water inundation of the property. We have self funded the installation of pits to try control the water flow, off the road, which has been partially successful. As we have no drainage or road infrastructure on our area, this is a major priority, and an overall Village Plan is needed, and should be undertaken as a priority, before any other future works are carried out.

Being a resident in New Brighton for nearly 30 years, we've notice visitations and hence traffic, has increase significantly, primarily due to the creation of a weekly market, and the establishment of a dog beach...both of which have greatly increased traffic flow into the area..

Council should take into account that Ocean, Terrace and Gaggin streets are all dead end streets, with limited or no turning areas, and presently in a poor state of repair, and subject to flooding, introducing more cars to the area would be both counter productive and dangerous for pedestrians...

Be aware that Ocean Avenue during weekends and holiday season is virtually a pedestrian thoroughfare with many families moving between the shop/cafe and beach, your proposal raises many safety issues.

An additional point to consider is the wisdom of introducing more visitors to our often dangerous and unpatrolled beach.

In our opinion your proposal will irrevocably change the character of New Brighton, a small village, opening the streets to a huge increase in the volume of traffic, with the possibility of a serious if not fatal accident, of a pedestrian or child ....as the roadway is the only place children can ride their bikes..

We are writing this email, as a follow up, to our meeting today with representatives from council, at the New Brighton markets

We look forward to hearing councils deliberations on this serious change to the street's of New Brighton

Regards

The proposal to "seal and mark" parking bays in New Brighton is completely unnecessary - and worse - to create MORE sealed and marked surfaces would be dramatically destructive -

to the natural environment to the atmosphere of the villageto the amenity of the residents to visitors. Please, please don't destroy the natural beauty of the place for the sake of 4 hours on Tuesday morning Market Day and a few motorists on a hot day. █

Proposed parking is not required for residents who will be severely impacted both by increased traffic and reduction of property values. Apart from the local shop which provides essentials to the community, the only commercial property located in the village is the cafe at the Salty Mangrove. Its capacity does not support the need for more parking. We are a multi-aged community. Most residents walk to the Newy Store. Children attend the playground and are at risk from increased traffic, as are the elderly. Proposal for 138 spaces along the oval perimeter would suggest paving over of areas which are necessary for the absorption of water from rain events and lack of drainage maintenance which impact the village. So much ground has been paved over that there is nowhere for water to escape except through the village. Previous outflows to the ocean have been built over (see South Golden Beach Community Centre) forcing water to flow through Crown Land / nature reserve areas into the village. Additional paving will only exacerbate this problem. We asked the engineer present at the Market Stall if he had actually walked the area to investigate the status of the environment and the streets. He had not. How can council put forth a plan when proper examination of the area and the on-flowing effects of any such changes has not been carried out. Your own document indicates there is "a lack of public space; narrow roads and housing developments not designed to cater for beachgoers and large numbers of visitors; sensitive beach (dune) and bush environments." Parking is detrimental to the environment. The creekbank on which the road sits is vulnerable to parking and traffic. Boulders were placed along the creek edge opposite Newy Store to prevent further vehicle parking. As long as five years ago our village association reported that the area between Casons Lane and Park Street is severely undercut and it was only then that Council placed barriers along that section to prevent collapse of the main road. Much of the influx of traffic is due to increased popularity of our formerly quiet beaches; the occurrence of "surf Sunday"; and the very popular weekly farmers' market which has outgrown it's original size over the last 15 plus years. Alternative sites for the market have been suggested in the past. One is the sports field at the corner of Shara Blvd and Brunswick Valley Way. It is infinitely more accessible to vehicle traffic and has an existing amenities block and parking.

An alternative might be the northeastern field at the Brunswick Heads Sports ground. There is plenty of parking and that field in particular is unused for sports. Amenities are available below the clubhouse. Another alternative is the main park in Brunswick Heads itself, where the existing Sunday Markets are held.

Travelling for work, business or to friends in Ocean Shores, Billinudgel, Brunswick Heads, Mullumbimby and beyond.

Sealing and proving 6 parking areas at the Strand:

Opposed

Sealing and Parking at North Head Road:

Removal of trees will impact the fragile dune environment. Adding additional parking bays will severely impact existing houses.

New Brighton:

See initial submission section. Proposed parking will severely and adversely affect the village. We are a small community. New Brighton is the original village which existed long before the creation of Ocean Shores. Such improvements are not to the benefit of the homeowners and residents of the village. They are solely to support visitors who have no investment in the environs of the village. We all live here because we love the existing village community and its ambience and environment. We ARE a community.

Parking in other areas of New Brighton:



Parking on any day but Market Tuesday and Surf Sunday is never an issue. Most villagers walk to their destination, whether it be to friends or to the village shop which provides mail, banking and food.

Further Comments about additional parking in the area

New Brighton is small, limited by its location between Marshalls Creek and the crown land / nature reserve.

I am the resident at [redacted] Ocean avenue, New Brighton and have lived here since I was 2. I am a part of this community and work from home with my partner in our coffee cart business which we have a permit for. I received your letter and proposed carpark map recently, and I find myself strongly disagreeing with this idea. Points I want to raise: SFETY CONCERNS

I am a person who suffers from a vision condition, rendering me legally blind. It is difficult for me to get around and the proposed car parks would result in more traffic on Ocean Avenue. I have a 1 year old boy who I would like to be able to safely walk to the beach along a proper footpath and there are lots of other young families in our area who would benefit from this including elderly residents. I did not see any mention of a footpath along ocean avenue. Instead of building this many car parks, a better use of council's time and money would be to build a safe footpath along Ocean Avenue that families, children and pets can use to safely get to the beach without needing to walk along the road. Safety is much more important than driving tourism to our town.

#### NO ALLOCATION FOR OUR DRIVEWAY

As we are residents at [redacted] Ocean Avenue, we were shocked to see that our driveway (see attached photos) was not included in the proposed car park map. There is no allocation for a driveway out the front of our house which we currently use for our business as well as our car.

#### NO CONSIDERATION FOR OUR BUSINESS

We operate our coffee cart food business from ocean avenue, which we have a mobile food vending vehicle permit from Byron Shire Council to do so. Our business was not considered in this proposed plans and we find that biased towards the needs and preferences of the Salty Mangrove.

#### NO CONSIDERATION FOR COMMUNITY INTERESTS

Our community is close and we have all shared our thoughts about this car park and everyone agrees that this would not suite our little town and is unnecessary. The people of our town would rather have our roads better maintained and a non invasive and safe footpath that we could all use to get around and walk up Ocean avenue towards the beach.

#### UNNECESSARY FOR FARMERS MARKET

I understand that the farmers market is one of the reasons there is a need for car park, this could be achieved on park or Byron street. The notion of allowing the farmers market to set up on the soccer field (weather permitting) one morning a week to allow people to park where the market currently sets up makes more sense to me.

#### NO CONSIDERATION FOR FLOOD DRAINAGE

New Brighton floods... it always has and it always will. Creating more car parks that negatively affect the flood water run off and drainage is the worst thing Council could do the our area. During the last flood in 2022 and during heavy rain events the river often breaks it's banks and has even come all the way up Ocean avenue and down Terrace street. The car parks proposed are on streets that flood which will certainly affect the flood's drainage.

#### NO CONSIDERATION FOR WILDLIFE/ PLANTS

Our area is home to a range of local and endangered plants and animals. We are adjacent to an environmental sanctuary zone and right along side a pristine beach. Creating more car parks will result in more street lights and traffic lights that can negatively impact wildlife including the recently spotted loggerhead turtles nests, seen on our beach. There have been bush stone curlews nesting in our area as well as eastern brown bandicoots and echidnas. There are several large native trees that would need to be cut down if this plan goes through which is devastating! There is a large pandanus tree and an extremely old alovera plant that would truly be a loss if they had to be killed. These plants have been here long before I was born and choosing to create car park rather than protecting our local environment is frowned upon in this day and age. Surely 'The Byron Shire Council' one of the world's most environmentally active shire's would agree?

I sincerely hope you take my letter into consideration before making a decision that will drastically and negatively affect our entire town. New Brighton does not need this car park nor do we want it.

Resident at ■ Ocean Avenue, New Brighton

My name is [REDACTED] and I am a rate payer and owner of [REDACTED] Byron street, New Brighton.

I am writing my submission and feedback regarding the letter I received in the mail on 5 March about proposed changes to parking in New Brighton.

I completely disagree that New Brighton needs asphalt car parks. I do agree that New Brighton Village has many other ways that it needs improvements.

Re. Park Street, New Brighton Car Parks

There is already sufficient space for informal car parks along Park Street that aren't an issue and doesn't interfere with the minimal drainage infrastructure that's currently grated into the road. Just last week with the heavy rain, Park Street was under water. See photos attached taken on Friday 5 April of flooding at Park Street where the car parks would be. This happens very regularly. Imagine how much worse it would be once there is the fill and asphalt which doesn't absorb water.

\*By adding asphalt car parks, it would mean more fill being added along with asphalt which therefore creates more water to run off and down into the houses yards on this street, which are already flood prone! Just in 9 years these properties on Park Street and also Byron street have flooded 5 times.

\*Adding car parks in park street would encourage camper vans/vans to the area. This is already a growing problem in the area, especially on Byron Street by the soccer field.

\*Adding 136 car parks that are black asphalt with white lines along Ocean Avenue and Park Street, along with North Head Road area will interrupt the village's charm and beauty. Visitors come to the village because of its laid back, old style charm filled with trees, a flowing river, nature and the beach. New Brighton gives a feeling of nostalgia!

\*Removal of native trees are definitely not needed! The black asphalt will create more heat, and less airflow not having the trees to help with airflow and cooling.

\*The Farmers Market 17 years ago when it first begun was 1/4 of the size it is now. At this time, the village could sustain this small market.

Now, the amount of visitors that attend the market has quadrupled in size. Hundreds of people attend the market, where cars are running out of room to park. New Brighton Village who has a population of 356 (see ref), and the market has grown so much in size that it has outgrown our village.

New Brighton only has 1 restaurant and 1 general store. There are sufficient car parks already for these small businesses. We are not Brunswick Heads or Ocean Shores. The questions is: Why do we need more car parks when the only time New Brighton gets busy is for Market day. The market is only 1 morning every week. We do not need 100's of car parks just for 1 morning of the week.

Solutions/alternatives to help our New Brighton Village

\*If Market stays in New Brighton, a solution would be to encourage bikes and walking by providing a bike/footpath that links up all of ocean shores, New Brighton and south golden. E bikes are on the rise, why not provide an e bike charge station and bike racks to create this mode of transport. It's better on the environment with less carbon emissions and it is more safe Move the New Brighton Farmers Market to a new location. Shara Blvd sports oval is hardly used. It provides ample parking and also amenities. Option 2 is to. Brunswick Heads on the sports oval. Again. ample parking and bigger area to cater to a bigger market.

\*The road/bridge to Kolora way from New Brighton is extremely dangerous! There is no bike or walking path here. The road itself is extremely narrow, there are numerous pot holes, and when a bus is met with a car they cannot both get through, almost always causing an accident. There is NO SIGNAGE to give way. There is also no where to ride a bike or no footpath for pedestrians! If we could fix this area, then more locals could walk and ride to the market, along with children riding to Ocean Shores school with less buses and cars on the road, further eliminating carbon emissions.

\*We need help with the riverbank that's collapsing on River street/Esplanade/Casons Lane corner.

The river bank has completely eroded!

Both areas are used daily by locals, children play here and families enjoy picnics. We need to protect our river and environment!

\*Stormwater and drainage. Flooding needs to be mitigated. THIS IS OBVIOUS!

\*Roads to be resurfaced in New Brighton.

\*At least 20 Native Banksias have been removed from Byron street and park street next to the soccer oval by Council and have never been replanted. Why is it that residents need to plant extra trees when removing a tree (after gaining approval through council) but council do not have to replant? The whole area around the club house and shed at New Brighton needs tidying up. We could be planting trees and gardens to replace what used to be there and also make this more user friendly for families who ride, walk and have picnics and play soccer. We could also have a community vegetable garden here too. I appreciate you taking the time to read my submission. I really hope the Byron Shire Council and Councillor Hunter and all councillors can help protect our special village and environment by listening to what New Brighton Residents have to say. I would like to highlight that the rates New Brighton residents pay in a flood prone village (never used to be in the 1980's before the council filled in all natural ocean outlets) are all considerably high! We have been ratepayers of New Brighton and lived here now for 12 years. So far in 12 years I have NOT seen any of our rates dollars spent in the village. Not once! Considering we have flooded 5 times in 9 years this is quite shocking to say the least. It is time to listen.

During this period I have observed:

- On a number of occasions emergency vehicles not been able to access the beach or residential properties due to vehicle parking indiscriminately.
- Council refuse workers unable to access to collect refuse due to vehicles parking indiscriminately.
- The public parking and camping in The Esplanade.
- Late hour/early morning activity and noise along The Esplanade from vehicle users.
- Vehicles damaging the fence and dunes by reversing/driving their vehicles into same.
- Public accessing dunes and disregarding warning signs to keep off.

Deposit of rubbish and discarded items in The Esplanade.

It is for this reason The Esplanade South should be a pedestrian access point only. No vehicles should be allowed to park in The Esplanade. It should be properly maintained with retaining walls to prevent erosion, noting that due to the multiple access points there is a constant drift of sand onto the roadway from the dunes. It should be tree lined to support dune stability. Parking should be generated along The Strand rather than The Esplanade.

We hold numerous images of vehicles parking both sides of The Esplanade that not only makes access difficult but endangers lives due to emergency services being unable to provide support when required.

We have also experienced significant damages to our fence line recently obtaining an insurance payout due to vehicles driving and reversing into same. The fence has had to be replaced due to the damage sustained by vehicles parking on top of it in order to try and accommodate access.

Respectfully, it seems for the sake of six car parks given the:

- Environmental constraints
- Personal safety issues
- Property risk
- Amenity

Any parking should be prioritised to the other alternate sites including The Strand.

Dear council

I am a long term permanent resident living in park street.

The only time that there is a problem with parking in New Brighton is for a few hours when the markets are on of a Tuesday morning from about 8 till 11.30.

On all other days and times there is no parking issue apart from some days when people park at the shop and on river road opposite the shop. There is plenty of parking they could access but they just want to be near the river and the shop.

Creating a large number of parking slots in Park Street and Ocean Ave will simply destroy the visual and aesthetic amenity of the area.

As is well known drainage is a huge problem in Park street. There is virtually no fall from one end to the other so putting in pipes that work and don't silt up will be an engineering impossibility. That leaves only the possibility of swale drains. This was done on the western side of Park Street and is an eyesore with multiple boggy areas and no grass coverage. The eastern side is kept parklike by the residents and is attractive. This would be destroyed by parking bays.

The area was never really a suitable place for markets. Space is limited and parking is restricted. Never the less it still works ok. The limited parking may act as a governor to the expansion of the market and in my opinion the expansion should be limited unless the market moves to a different site.

I live at the very end of Park Street and even on market days almost no one parks at that end. Navigating the road is a bit of a hassle but this would be worse with parking both sides. People are too lazy to walk a few extra meters and tend to cluster around the shop.

On any other day there are no parking problems in Park Street so it would be unacceptable to ruin the amenity of the area for the sake of a few hours on Tuesday mornings.

My argument against the proposed parking is:

It would be visually unsightly. And unsightly all the time, not just the few hours of market day.

With nose in parking on both sides and park street being so narrow, there is nowhere for pedestrians to walk. It would be dangerous.

It would exacerbate the already problematic drainage and flood situation.

It would negatively impact all the properties in Park Street.

It is not needed apart from 3 hours on Tuesday market days.

It would exacerbate the traffic congestion in Park Street. Park Street is very narrow.

As it is now with nose in parking on the western side there is already serious problems backing in and out of the park spaces. If the same was created on the eastern side it would be extremely difficult to navigate the road. It would be a nightmare for those hours.

I have just arrived home from overseas last night and see there has been a letterbox drop explaining the proposed parking changes in New Brighton.

I think there are a number of concerns: 1. New Brighton Beach does not have a lifeguard service and increasing beach goers would be dangerous without implementing this. 2. The proposed road widening would involve removing trees and other native plants, animal homes that have been there for a long time. 3. It would cause a lot of traffic congestion at the end of Ocean Avenue. I would recommend no angled parking along Ocean Avenue past Gaggin Street intersection. 4. I do not understand why there is not more parking along River Street itself near the ovals and away from residents' houses.

5. The council/main roads has not maintained good road construction from the highway into these areas for many years. If they increase parking then they need to repair/replace road base on all the incoming roads to the areas. If there is not money in council budget to do both then they should focus on fixing the roads already existing. 6. Accommodating for so many extra parks will also increase the amount of rubbish brought by day trippers and will require more rubbish removal collections, bins and maintenance of parking areas as unfortunately increasing people will also increase rubbish that is not put into the bins. Rubbish not in bins will pollute our waterways, parks and beaches. I can understand a proposal to improve parking but I don't think the proposed plan is best for the environment, the budget or the locals that pay rates to local government nor do I believe the number of parks is required as proposed.

Walkers and bike riders need to be taken into consideration. If we are suggesting more car parks, where would then the bikes and people be?