



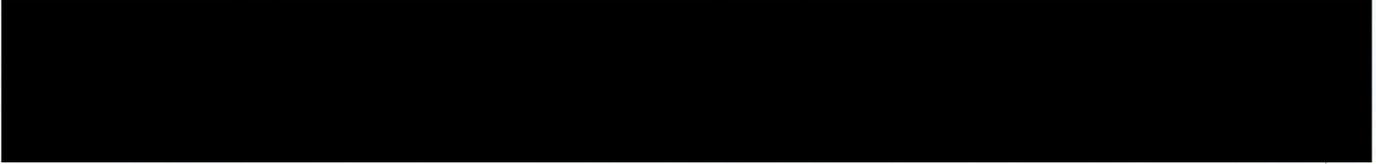
Submissions presented in the form of a petition or accompanied by multiple signatures will be processed as a single submission.



Your details

First name: Alison and Alister Last name: Argyle

Organisation (if appropriate): _____



Do you wish to speak in support of your submission at the hearing?

(If no boxes are ticked, it will be considered that you do not wish to be heard)

Yes: The hearing is expected to be held in the Council Chamber on Thursday 21 October 2021. Please note that hearings are live-streamed to our online channels.

No: I do not wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that the following written submission be fully considered.

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 5/10/54

**Please note all submissions are public documents and will be made available on Council's website with the names of submitters included.*

A full version of the Ashburton District Parking Strategy and the Ashburton Town Centre Parking Management Plan is available from ashburtondc.govt.nz/haveyoursay

You can submit on any or all of the questions below. You don't have to complete every question.

Feedback on the draft Parking Strategy

1 Do you agree with the draft objectives for the Parking Strategy?

a. Which ones do you support and why?

b. Which ones don't you support and why?
The development of a new public car park in West Street rail reserve north of Havelock Street - please see attached reasons. (a-f inclusive)

2 Do you support the draft Action Plan?

a. Which ones do you support and why?

b. Which ones don't you support and why?

ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL – PARKING CONSULTATION

Ratepayers wishing to submit on the proposed development of a new public car park in West Street rail reserve north of Havelock Street have been placed at a serious disadvantage:

- (i) Because the land in question is incorrectly described in the District Plan as designated for the purposes of Rangitata Diversion Race Management Limited;
- (ii) Ashburton District Council has failed to describe the process whereby the land will be reclassified once the District Plan is corrected, and;
- (iii) Has refused to postpone the closing date for these submissions to enable ratepayers to receive and submit on whatever the revised classification of the land might be.

Against the background of those disadvantages we make the following submission.

We oppose the proposed developing of the railway land between Havelock Street and the railway overbridge into a parking area for the following reasons:

- (a) The creation of a car park on this location of State Highway 1 will cause further traffic congestion on a stretch of the State Highway that is already particularly congested.
- (b) The creation of further access onto State Highway 1 and the generation of foot traffic as a consequence will add to the existing danger that is already apparent when pedestrians endeavour to cross the State Highway to use the railway overbridge.
- (c) Council created the parking issues by reducing spaces within the shopping precinct and relocating its administration and library to Baring Square East so it should have planned better for parking than to desecrate the beautiful grassed area and plantings.
- (d) Council could use for parking the vacant sites that will exist once its existing earthquake vulnerable administration and library buildings are demolished.
- (e) This beautiful area of green grass (and with the Daffodils in Spring) creates an attractive approach to the Ashburton shopping precinct. It is an oasis in a long and rather unattractive approach to the town. It was designated as "Open Space" and surely in this age of eco responsible development to destroy a green open space for an asphalt area goes against Council's policies.
- (f) The council some years ago spent substantial money on redeveloping this area including carting in substantial quantities of top soil and planting out trees for the purpose of beautification.



3 Is there anything else we need to think about for parking in the district?

4 Any other comments? We also asked a couple of specific questions on pages 5 & 7. Let us know your answers here.

Feedback on the draft Ashburton Town Centre Parking Management Plan

1 Do you support the draft Action Plan?

a. Which actions do you support and why?

b. Which actions don't you support and why?

2 Is there anything else we need to think about for parking in the Ashburton town centre?

3 Any other comments? We also asked a couple of specific questions on pages 2, 11-13. Let us know your answers here.



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