

Policy

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF RESTRICTED PARKING SPACES POLICY

TEAM:	Roading
RESPONSIBILITY:	Roading Manager in consultation with Property Manager
ADOPTED:	07 December 2022
REVIEW:	Every three years, or as required
CONSULTATION:	None required
RELATED DOCUMENTS:	Ashburton District Council Trading in Public Places Bylaw, Transportation and Parking Management Bylaw, Ashburton District Parking Strategy 2021, Ashburton Town Centre Parking Management Plan, Local Government Act 2002, and Ashburton District Council Fees and Charges.

Policy Objective

To promote the efficient use and management of parking spaces in restricted parking areas.

Policy Statement

1. Purpose of Closure

Council will consider applications for the temporary closure of time restricted parking spaces in the Ashburton District.

Applications will normally only be considered for the following purposes:

- Goods and service vehicles used for the purpose of construction, road works, building maintenance or shifting furniture and items
- Voluntary/community organisations

Other circumstances will be considered on a case by case basis.

2. Applications

Factors Council will take into account when considering an application include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Impact on surrounding businesses
- Availability of parking in that area
- Appropriate alternative locations for the type of activity requested

- The number of spaces that need to be closed
- Whether the period of time proposed is appropriate

3. Fees

Applicants will be required to pay a fee to Council for the closure of a time restricted parking spaces, as per the Ashburton District Council Fees and Charges schedule. A permit will be issued.

4. Fee Exemptions

Council will consider applications for fee exemptions from voluntary and community groups that require the temporary closure of a parking spaces for a charitable event.

5. Parking Space Closure

Valid permits for the closure of restricted parking spaces must be clearly displayed on the dashboard of the approved vehicle.

Applicants may use traffic cones to signal that the parking spaces is unavailable to the public, provided that the traffic cones and their placement comply with NZTA and Council regulations and bylaws.