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Feedback on Melvista parking proposals wanted

The City of Nedlands is proposing changes to parking arrangements in the Melvista Park precinct – and wants to hear your thoughts.

The area, bounded by Broadway, Edward, Webster and Bruce Streets and the Esplanade, extends about 800m from the University of WA (the maximum distance most students are expected to walk from their cars).

A survey was undertaken by the City to identify parking trends relating to on-street parking and council verges, identifying areas of high use in places with and without restrictions.

City of Nedlands Mayor Max Hipkins said the aim of the review was to improve the area while ensuring the needs of residents, visitors and businesses continue to be met.

“The review area was chosen due to the proximity of UWA, multiple sporting clubs and businesses that place a large demand on parking in that location,” he said.

“The City continually receives queries regarding parking in and around the Melvista Park precinct so, as part of the review, we wanted to ensure the proposed amendments do not have flow-on effects across the area.”

“Criteria used for considering changes to current parking restrictions is an occupancy rate of 85 per cent or higher – when that occurs, new restrictions may be imposed.”

Based on the evidence collected through the review, changes will be implemented in two phases:

- Phase one: community consultation and a review of feedback on the proposed changes – available at yourvoicenedlands.wa.gov.au – before a report is prepared for Council.
- Phase two: apply the proposed parking changes and monitor over three months, then review their impact and recommend any adjustments.

“Regarded as an integral part of council activities and Nedlands’ infrastructure, adequate parking is vital to the economic and social well-being of our City now and into the future,” Mayor Hipkins said.

“Feedback gained from this consultation process helps the City determine how it can best manage and improve parking services.”

To view the proposals and provide feedback, visit yourvoice@nedlands.wa.gov.au.

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About the City of Nedlands

The City of Nedlands is situated 7km from Perth and stretches from the banks of the Swan River to the edge of the Indian Ocean. A population of more than 21,000 lives in the suburbs of Nedlands, Dalkeith, Mt Claremont, Swanbourne, Karrakatta and parts of Floreat and Shenton Park.

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