

From the desk of
Michael Andjelkovic



16th September 2019

Dept of Planning
Review Committee

Dear Sir or Madam

RE : Edmondson Park Town Centre – Proposed reduction in Residents Parking

I am making a written submission opposing the modification to reduce Car Parking in the Edmondson Park Town Centre Precinct.

Some of the issues I will note in my submission are as follows:

- The ongoing Car Parking Crisis at Ed Park Station has been ongoing for year's now and is getting worse.
- I have included a link to the Car Parking Crisis Petition that I founded and refer to the Updates therein www.tinyurl.com/MoreParkingNow
- I include a recent local newspaper article in the South West Voice regarding this issue. There are many more that you can find by reading the Car Parking Crisis Petition Updates and doing a Google search on Car Parking Crisis Edmondson park, #MoreParkingNow or Edmondson Park Car Parking
- This proposed decrease to resident Parking will only make things worse for Resident, Commuters and the Suburb itself.
- Residents cannot rely on Public Transport alone in this area, a MV is a necessity to be able to travel freely.
- Surrounding Suburbs like Prestons and others already have significant issues with narrow streets and problems with on street parking.
- This is a planning problem that Liverpool Council is now spending ratepayers money trying to fix. My concern is this will happen in the Ed Park development if this modification is approved.

Four more detailed Points are

* The State Government has not developed a strategy to address the ongoing commuter car parking crisis at Edmondson Park train station and yet is decreasing Residential parking.

* The lack of Government strategy coupled with Fraser's proposed changes for reduced parking for residents of Ed Square will result in residents being forced to park their cars on the street and quite possibly in the commuter car parks causing additional strain for commuters.

* Fraser's proposal and the Department of Planning assumes that reducing carparking space for residents will provide the opportunity for reduced car dependency which is consistent with the Government's Department of Planning current planning strategies (reference the Dept of Planning response to Fraser's proposal and date). However, if commuters cannot park in the limited commuter car spaces to then use public transport because residents have parked there, then commuters will be forced to drive to other stations or worse, drive to work.

* The State Government needs to put in place more effective public transport infrastructure (e.g more bus routes to the station) for the Edmondson Park and surrounding communities if it wants to take reduced car dependency seriously and try and force citizens off the roads and out of the commuter car parks.

The South West Voice just published this article about the issue

Commuter car parking shortages could get even worse, says campaigner

[Eric Kontos](#) on Monday, 16 September, 2019 in [News](#) •

After stirring the pot in state and federal elections held a few weeks apart earlier this year, commuter car park campaigner Michael Andjelkovic must have thought his work here was done.

Nothing could be further from the truth, though, despite election promises of funding for commuter car parking at the stations along the south west rail line from both major political parties.

And it's not just the lack of strategy from the re-elected governments in Macquarie Street and Canberra that's the problem.

"I am starting a community campaign and want to make Edmondson Park residents aware that urgent action is required," he says.

The problem, as he sees it, has been caused by plans to increase the housing density at giant new suburb Ed Square, and at the same time, reduce the car parking available for the residents.

Mr Andjelkovic says assuming people don't drive or need cars to get around in the outer South West Sydney region is plain wrong.

"A motor vehicle is a necessity around here," he says.

He is also concerned the State Government has not developed a strategy to address the ongoing commuter car parking crisis at Edmondson Park train station.



This lack of government strategy, coupled with proposed changes for reduced parking for residents of Ed Square will result in residents being forced to park their cars on the street and in the commuter car parks, causing additional strain for commuters.

“The Department of Planning assumes that reducing car parking space for residents will provide the opportunity for reduced car dependency,” says Mr Andjelkovic, pictured during the state election in March.

“However, if commuters cannot park in the limited commuter car spaces to then use public transport because residents have parked there, then commuters will be forced to drive to other stations or worse, drive to work.

“The State Government needs to put in place more effective public transport infrastructure such as bus routes to the station for the Edmondson Park and surrounding communities if it wants to take reduced car dependency seriously and try and force citizens off the roads and out of the commuter car parks.”

NSW Department of Planning will be holding a meeting to hear from the community about the proposed modification to reduce the amount of resident parking for the Edmondson Park Town Centre South and he is encouraging other residents to either attend or make a submission.

The meeting will start at 9:30am next Monday, September 23 at Liverpool Library.

Mr Andjelkovic says he will be making a submission opposing the modification.

If you wish to speak, you need to apply by close of business on September 19 via email:
ipcn@ipcn.nsw.gov.au

If you don't wish to speak or can't make it, but still would like to have your say, you can do so via this [have your say](#) link.

I would encourage you to REJECT the proposal to Decrease the Car Parking Spaces for Residences.

Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Should you require any further information please call me on [REDACTED]

Yours Sincerely

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April 2018

ARTICLES FROM 2018

March 12 2018 Liverpool Champion

Edmondson Park commuter-parking crisis

“It’s frustrating when people want to access the rail but they can’t because there are no parking spots. They’re either forced to go to other places or park illegally and pay for it.”

- <http://www.liverpoolchampion.com.au/story/5277814/resident-sparks-action-for-edmondson-park-station-parking-crisis/?cs=1843>

March 16 2018 MacArthur Advertiser

Petition demands extra parking at Leppington and Edmondson Park stations

Mr Andjelkovic said it was wrong that residents were being forced to park illegally or to park 20 minutes walk away from stations.

- <http://www.macarthuradvertiser.com.au/story/5288700/petition-demands-extra-parking-at-leppington-and-edmondson-park-stations/>

March 26 2018 Liverpool Champion

EDMONDSON PARK STATION PARKING CRISIS | 5000 signatures in 14 days

We did it in 14 days as of Sunday, 12.18pm – 5000 signatures

“I have an interest in politics and I like to be active in my community so I thought someone’s got to do something about this!” he said.

<http://www.liverpoolchampion.com.au/story/5307673/5000-sign-parking-petition/>

March 27, 2018 Liverpool Leader – Daily Telegraph

Residents fed up with parking crisis call for multistorey carparks

A petition for multistorey carparks at Edmondson Park and Leppington railway stations has amassed more than 5000 signatures in a fortnight.

<https://www.dailytelegraph.com.au/newslocal/liverpool-leader/residents-fed-up-with-parking-crisis-call-for-multistorey-carparks/news-story/73f00db4b797de824f351ed790b3dea1>

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