

ITEM 5.2 MAYORAL MINUTE - SAFETY CONCERNS RELATING TO BOAT AND TRAILER PARKING AROUND FIVE DOCK AND CAMPBELL PARKS**Reporting Manager** Deputy Mayor**Attachments:** Nil**BACKGROUND**

I would like to make Council aware of growing community concerns relating to the high and ever-increasing number of boats, boat trailers, other trailers and large vehicles on the streets fronting Five Dock Park and Campbell Park.

The intention for our local public streets is not to provide long term parking utility to owners of boats from our area and beyond and it is time that Council investigate opportunities to find solutions for these locations.

The parking of these boats, trailers and vehicles around these parks is not only a nuisance on busy weekends, they create a significant safety issue for members of our community who utilise the parks by significantly reducing sightlines and visibility of residents and visitors, particularly children, crossing the street.

As an example, a number of children from the sporting clubs that play at Campbell Park and Lysaght Park need to regularly cross between these fields for training and matches, and visibility for these children crossing the road is consistently obscured by these large vehicles.

Whilst I understand the parking of boat trailers is regulated by the *Impounding Act 1993*, it is prudent that we investigate options to pursue a range of initiatives to protect our community and manage parking in these locations. Such initiatives would include parking restrictions and associated signage.

MOTION

1. That Council officers undertake focused enforcement of the parking of boats and large vehicles/trailers within the vicinity of Council's parks and reserves, particularly Five Dock Park, Campbell Park and Lysaght Park.
 2. That Council officers bring a report to Council which investigates options to improve pedestrian safety and the regulation of parking of boat trailers and large vehicles and trailers adjacent to parks and reserves where there has been a recurring problem, such as Five Dock Park, Campbell Park and Lysaght Park.
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