

## Emanuel School Community Consultative Committee

**Meeting No: 9**

**Date:** Monday March 28th, 6pm – 6:30pm

**Venue:** Zoom

<b>Attendees</b>	
<p><b>Community members</b> Tara Roach Justine Hughes Nicole Birbas</p>	<p><b>Emanuel School</b> Andrew Delany – Security Manager Derek Pal – Parent Andrew Watt – Principal</p> <p><b>Sandrick Construction</b> Jonathan Lau - Project Manager Warwick Smith</p> <p><b>Independent Chair</b> Professor Roberta Ryan</p> <p><b>Minute taker</b> Georgia Peters</p>
<p><b>Apologies</b> NFP Michael Packman – Grindley Construction Asha Meller – Grindley Construction John Flanagan – Randwick Council (no response to request to join)</p>	

<b>Item</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Welcome</b>	
	RR welcomes everyone to the meeting.	
<b>2</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	
	NFP, MP and AM are apologies.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Matters arising</b>	
	The Road Safety Audit has been distributed to the group.	
	The contact information of the site manager has been distributed to the group.	
3.1	Response to item 4 of previous minutes - AW	
	AW had to step out at the end of the meeting and wants to raise an issue noted by TR regarding parking in restricted streets. He says that the issue of parking in these streets has been	

	<p>addressed. Traffic flow has improved because year 12 students are no longer allowed to park there. He says that illegal parking has been reduced significantly.</p> <p>AW also notes that a property is going to be approved for administrative use which will mean that 4-5 parking spots will become available.</p> <p>AW says that he expects the use of public transport (PT) and carpooling to pick up after COVID-19 surges.</p> <p>Additionally, he is planning to raise using the left side of Market St for parking with Council. He says it is not fair to say they have done nothing.</p> <p>TR acknowledges that some streets have benefitted from the changes made by the School with students parking further out. However, Chepstow St and Stephen St have not benefitted as it is the teachers that take these parking spaces. There has been no reduction in teacher parking.</p> <p>She flags that there are sections of these streets in which residents don't have garages or other parking, so the teachers parking all day has a big impact. She would like to come to an agreement about restricted parking for teachers in those areas, like the students no parking zones. Chepstow and Stephen Sts have teachers arriving and parking as early as 6:40am.</p>	
3.2	Traffic issues – NB	
	<p>NB thanks the school for the initiative of traffic wardens in the morning and says that they are extremely efficient.</p> <p>She has noticed that the afternoons are back to their original state when these CCC discussions began. She has noticed drivers doing driving past vacant spots to do a U-turn and park in front of driveways or double-park. She saw about five cars do this today. It appears that drivers use Market St as a de-factor car line.</p> <p>NB has sent through photos to AD and AD requests that the community continues to send through these photos as they are a great help for them to contact students about parking issues.</p> <p>AD says they had a warden a couple of days last term in the afternoon to try and deter these behaviors. Wilson, who was carrying out this role, has left the School and is studying again. They struggled to find another warden but they have employed</p>	

	<p>another member of the staff to fill this role, who should commence this week.</p> <p>TR observes that the warden at the preschool gate seems to be needing to spend a lot of time monitoring the carpark and misses the double-parking in neighbouring streets.</p> <p>AD says that they explicitly asked the warden to focus on the carpark because it is the hold-up in the carpark which causes the double-parking on the streets.</p> <p>TR says it is not just drivers from the preschool who are double parking. TR notes that when she takes photos of cars, the drivers become anxious about it and do move on.</p> <p>TR asks about the status of discussions with Council about having Council rangers visit at various times during the term to encourage better driver behavior.</p> <p>AD has taken up this issue. Council come out to the School after they sent the Road Safety Audit. They did a walk-through and took some notes. They were particularly interested in Stanley St and Chepstow St.</p> <p>TR suggests that having a similar approach to Waverley Council who come through at the beginning and end of the term as an enforcement mechanism for the schools in their area would be good.</p> <p>RR says they have been asking and it is a good idea to issue those infringements earlier as deterrence.</p> <p>AW asks if the group could try to capture faces in the photos they send through. If they get a photo of a driver, they are able to identify the driver easier than with the license plate.</p> <p>TR says it hard to get a photo of the driver without being confrontational. Others in the group agree.</p> <p>AW has flagged parking issues in the newsletter.</p> <p>RR has emailed and rung Council asking for their participation in these meeting including Director of Planning (John) and she has received no response.</p> <p>WS asks what the traffic officers wear. There is a perceived improvement when the warden has a fluorescent wand.</p>	
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	<p>AD says that they wear fluorescent vests with a reflective band and the school logo, with a big picture on the back. The traffic warden also issues notices with the details of the infringement. AD will look into a wand.</p> <p>NB says the consistency is also key to effectiveness with the traffic warden.</p> <p>TR asks if it's possible to ask drivers not to park right on the corner curb of Chepstow, Stephen, Castle and Earl St. It creates visibility issues in seeing cars coming along Stephen St.</p> <p>AD says that people have been notified about doing that but because there is no 'no stopping' sign it has been difficult to enforce.</p>	
<b>4</b>	<b>Construction update - JL</b>	
	<p>JL says that there have been issues with construction and landscaping works given the rainfall. They are in the process of painting CC2. Scaffolding has been established and hazard materials such as asbestos has been removed. The work zone has not been approved yet and there will not be trucks and trailers coming down the streets. There will, however, be one truck present for the demolition works. In sum, demolition, landscaping and the elevation of the design and technology building will be completed prior to Easter holidays.</p> <p>The conditions have been accepted by the School. Some of these include consultation with Council, school and community. Council has the discretion to make changes.</p> <p>TR hasn't noticed any issues with contractors, but it is early in construction.</p> <p>AD asks for confirmation that the community received the letterbox drop.</p> <p>NB and JH did not receive the letterbox drop. TR did receive it and notes that the drop encompassed Stanley, Chepstow, Market and Stephen Sts.</p> <p>NB asks AW about Council and parking. AW says they looked into buying car parking spaces nearby and had no luck. He raises nose-to-curb parking on Market St as an option to mitigate traffic and parking issues.</p>	

	<p>NB says that she will check with the neighbours. It is a different way of thinking about the street. She says that she is worried about the street feeling like a parking lot. Her gut feeling is that it would damage the peaceful feeling of the street.</p> <p>JH says there is a risk of nose-to-curb parking opening up issues such as long-term parking of boats and caravans. JH agrees with NB. She notes this happens on King St, where it is full of horse floats and trailers that sit there all year.</p> <p>AD asks if there is potential for this to work if there are conditions applied such as permanent parking for residents and two hour parking for others.</p> <p>AW says that he was actually thinking of an arrangement where teachers would be able to park there all day so that the parking on Chepstow St reduces.</p> <p>AW notes that it is a torturous process with Council and that he won't make a move before the neighbourhood has decided whether this is something they are interested in.</p> <p>JH is worried about this idea destroying the streetscape, but she appreciates the out-of-the-box thinking.</p> <p>TR notes consideration may also need to be given to the narrowing of the street. If parents continue to double-park on Market St during pick-up this may make the traffic conditions worse in getting in and out of the street.</p> <p>RR notes that nothing can happen without consulting with the residents and encourages thoughts on this idea.</p> <p>NB says that the apartment buildings on Avoca St have car spaces. She suggests a letterbox drop to gauge whether residents would be interested in renting out their car spaces to teachers for all day parking.</p>	<p>NB and JH to consult with neighbours regarding the possibility of reconfiguring parking on Market St.</p> <p>DP to send AW an online resource relevant to the Avoca St idea.</p>
<b>5</b>	<b>Meeting close and thanks</b>	
	<p>RR thanks everyone for their participation.</p> <p>Next meeting is <b>16<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm.</b></p>	