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Mr Ray Brownlee,  
CEO Northern Beaches Council  
PO Box 82,  
Manly NSW 1655

Dear Ray,

We are writing regarding ongoing issues with illegal parking along the council strip on Prince Alfred Parade, Newport and in particular between 28 & 40 Prince Alfred Parade which is the southern approaches to the Royal Motor Yacht Club.

The matter is exacerbated on weekends in the warmer months of the year when people visit the Royal Motor Yacht Club to attend functions, weddings or to use the club's swimming pool. Councils own parking ranger records would indicate how prevalent illegal parking is along this section of road.

This matter has been documented with several letters (including our letter 19/11/18) and requests for action being sent to the council over the past 3-5 years. A proposal/request to council to provide a pedestrian pathway from 2 - 44 Prince Alfred Parade (which we believe is the only permanent solution that would solve the problem) has only been given medium priority - so a resolution via this avenue is unlikely in the next 5-10 years.

Meantime Council has attempted to mitigate the problem by painting a yellow no parking line on the road surface between 28 and 40 Prince Alfred (with this area being particularly dangerous as it is a bend) but the yellow line seems to be ignored or not understood by many motorists.


With pedestrians often forced to walk on the road especially around this high speed sweeping blind bend and over a crest just along the road it appears to be an accident waiting to happen. Thus if a footpath is unlikely in the near future we would like to suggest some other interim options to help minimise the problem;

1. Upgrading of the kerb from the current mountable kerb to that of a normal right-angled kerb.
2. If 1, above is not an option in the short term, the installation of No Stopping signs between 28 and 40 Prince Alfred Parade.
3. Both 1 & 2 above.

We think this is an important issue and does need to be resolved in the near future. To understand the importance we place on this matter we have written separately to our local member Hon. Rob Stokes to request state government funding assistance to council for this pathway.

We would appreciate council reviewing the above and should your officers wish to meet a member or members of the NRA on-sight we would be more than happy to do so.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gavin Butler', is centered on a light green rectangular background.

Gavin Butler  
President

Cc Trish Chaney, Community Liaison Coordinator