

DELEGATED AUTHORITY (DA) FOR COUNCIL OFFICERS

What is a DA?

- *The Delegated Authority (DA) is a legal document that gives legal powers for Councils to make changes across the city without the need to undertake public consultation, when **safety** is the main priority.*
- *HCC had this process in the past, however, the restrictions were broader. HCC Officers are proposing to reimplement the process, limiting it to:*

Give Way/ Stop controls

BYLs within 6m of an intersection

Outside driveways (with the resident's approval)

Around bends, when visibility is a constraint

- *The DA process is simple and quick to implement*
- *It's less bureaucratic, when compared to Traffic Resolutions*
- *Improves safety and reduces enforceability needs*
- *It's a consistent process with other Local Authorities (i.e.: WCC, AT)*
- *The process complies with the NZ Legislation (refer to next slide)*

Land Transport (Road User) Rule 2004

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6.3 Parking close to corners, bends, etc

- (1) A driver or person in charge of a vehicle must not stop, stand, or park the vehicle on any part of a roadway so close to any corner, bend, rise, dip, traffic island, or intersection as to obstruct or be likely to obstruct other traffic or any view of the roadway to the driver of a vehicle approaching that corner, bend, rise, dip, traffic island, or intersection unless the stopping, standing, or parking is authorised by signs or markings maintained by the road controlling authority.
- (2) A driver must not stop, stand, or park a vehicle on any part of a road, whether attended or unattended, within an intersection or within 6 m of an intersection unless the stopping, standing, or parking is authorised by signs or markings maintained by the road controlling authority.

Compare: [SR 1976/227 r 35\(2\)\(a\), \(d\)](#)

Current process (TR)	Proposed process (DA)
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A request is received by the public; 2. HCC engineers will assess the request; 3. The process of Traffic Resolution starts* 4. The Traffic Resolutions are presented to Local Boards 5. Councillors approve the Traffic Resolution 6. The request for the installation of the signs/roadmarkings is sent to the contractors. 7. The signs/roadmarkings are recorded as Council's asset. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A request is received by the public; 2. HCC engineers will assess the request; 3. Directly affected residents are notified; 4. A copy of the DA is sent to the Local Boards. 5. The DA is signed by the HCC TE Manager or Head of Transport. 6. The request for the installation of the signs/roadmarkings is sent to the contractors. 7. The signs/roadmarkings are recorded as Council's asset.



TR Process

Cycle 5	
12-Jul	The request is received by HCC officers
12/07 to 12/08	HCC engineers complete their investigation AND the changes are justifiable
12-Aug	Add TR to the spreadsheet, with background information (cut-off).
12-Aug	TLT & Head of Transport notification / Meeting with Comms re: Comms advisor (afternoon)
13/08 to 20/08	Prepare consultation plans; drawings and map of letter drops
20 to 23/08	Comms sign off / Consultation plan review (grammar checks, etc..)
26-Aug	TR Consultation plans (cut-off)
27/08 - 10/09	Consultation period
10/09 - 13/09	Reply to public feedback
13-Sep	Complete TR Report. Cut-off date to upload reports at InfoCouncil
16/09 - 18/09	Transport Manager review
19/09 - 20/09	Business Manager review
23/09 -24/09	Head of Transport review
24/09 - 26/09	Transport Director review
27-Sep	Submit plans to Dem.Services
9-Oct	Petone LB meeting (draft)
10-Oct	Eastbourne LB meeting (draft)
11-Oct	Wainuiomata LB meeting (draft)
21-Oct	Petone LB meeting
22-Oct	Eastbourne LB meeting
23-Oct	Wainuiomata LB meeting
31-Oct	Regs Meeting (draft)
7-Nov	Regulatory Meeting / TR approval
15-Nov	TRs are sent to contractors
12-Dec	TR installation timeframe

5 months

DA Process

Cycle 5	
12-Jul	The request is received by HCC officers
12/07 to 12/08	HCC engineers complete their investigation AND the changes are justifiable
12-Aug	Directly affected residents are notified
19-Aug	A copy of the DA is sent to the Local Boards The DA is signed by the HCC TE Manager or Head of Transport
26-Aug	Head of Transport
27-Aug	TRs are sent to contractors
12-Sep	TR installation timeframe

3 months



Conclusion

- *Reimplementing the Delegated Authority (DA) process will allow HCC officers to prioritise safety and make important changes without the need for extensive public consultation.*
- *By streamlining the process, installation timeframes can be reduced from five to three months, mitigating issues such as:*
 - *Preventing crashes at uncontrolled intersections*
 - *Ensuring emergency services can access intersections unobstructed by parked vehicles.*