

## **Councillor Question Time**

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### **Question from Councillor Pearl:**

Has Council changed its policy to no longer allow streets to be closed for some street parties. What is the background on this policy change and what can be done to help ensure some regular street parties can continue to go ahead?

### **Response:**

A briefing to note was provided to Councillors in October which recommended that we stop formally supporting Street Parties in the municipality.

No Councillor feedback was received to the contrary at this time.

The recommendation did not relate to a reluctance to close streets, but rather the escalating costs involved for residents in holding such events as detailed within the briefing.

Where the events are low risk and have minimal impact, Officers may continue to work with residents to support these. Where traffic management plans are comprehensive and high impact, it's more challenging to resource this along with hundreds of events over the summer period.

*\*Please note: answers to any questions in Public Question Time and Councillor Question Time which were answered at the meeting are included in the minutes of that meeting.*