

**To:** Councillor Mike Lee  
Auckland Council

**From:** Jacqui Wilkinson  
Chair, Grafton Residents Association (GRA)

**Date:** 4<sup>th</sup> February 2017

**Subject:** **Illegal parking in Auckland Domain**

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Dear Mike,

Grafton residents have noticed a worrying trend in the Auckland Domain regarding illegal parking.

It appears that many people are under the mistaken impression that it is acceptable to park their cars on the grass near the sports fields.

The problem appears to be most significant when teams are either practicing or competing in sports matches.

This could, in part, be related to the un-notified closure of quite a number of on road parks near the Grandstand in Auckland Domain.

Whilst we appreciate the difficulty in parking in and around Auckland Domain, I'm sure you agree it is unacceptable for participants and spectators to use the sacred grounds around this area as a carpark.

In the past, Auckland Transport and Auckland Council used to regularly monitor this park to prevent illegal activities, but unfortunately, this service appears to have disappeared.

Given the significance and importance of Auckland Domain to local residents, workers and visitors to our city, it seems ludicrous for Council to expect our community to be responsible for alerting offences.

We ask for your assistance in having this matter addressed.

Kind regards,

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