

Dear Rob & Dale,

9.3.3 TRANSWA BUS STOP
File Ref: R30005

COUNCIL RESOLUTION 9.3.3

MOVED: CR SYME SECONDED: CR WAKKA

That item 9.3.3 be deferred for reconsideration in two months time.

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Further to the above, we have again sort input from our members. To date we have had only two responses,

1. Spot News giving strong opposition to the bus stop being moved to the DVC.
2. South Coast Properties / Denmark Holidays "Isn't the issue more about it being a bus? (i.e.. Size of vehicle) The visitors centre was suggested as it gives preferred (safe) space/parking for a vehicle of bus size."
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I will pass on any further comments as they come to hand, and we will again discuss the issue at the next chamber meeting on the 11th May.

In the meantime, I refer you to TransWA letter of 5th January, paragraph 5. The TransWA officials agreed that the signage for the bus stop should be time limited to just the hours of need i.e. approx 8:30am to 9:30 am and 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm. I am not sure whose responsibility it is to change this sign, but would suggest it be done ASAP. This will aid in adding parking bays in Strickland St in the short term, until this issue can be finalised.

I do wonder if TransWA may well change there minds when they realise that they will be negotiating a road designed for cars and slow traffic, with the central row of trees, and a round about at the Brazier Street intersection, once the redevelopment of Strickland St is complete. I presume they have seen the plans, but wonder if they have really understood the full implications.

Kind Regards,
Gail Guthrie
President
Denmark Chamber of Commerce

Good Morning Dale,

We've had some discussions regarding the possibility of the TransWA bus stop being relocated to the Visitors centre, and we wish to advise that many Denmark seniors strong oppose this move, and ask that the current position be maintained..

It will not only greatly inconvenience the elderly, but also visitors carrying heavy backpacks. We understand the Visitors centre are also against this move.

Obviously a bus shelter is needed and with some removal of part of the garden bed this can easily be accommodated.

We trust the council will carefully and thoughtfully consider this request.

many thanks

kind regards

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Dear Dale

TRANSWA Bus Stop Location

Before finalizing the location of the bus stop here are a few suggestions which may be considered.

1. Consider carrying out a survey to find out where the bus passengers want the bus stop to be located.
2. The amount of parking taken up by the bus is for a very short period each day and is not during peak times for parking. It has already been stated that few shops are open when the bus stops in Denmark so there will not be much demand for parking.
3. Denmark is very fortunate in having a bus stop in the middle of town. One day when we have a better transport system the present bus stop location will be the ideal position for a stop.
4. Denmark Tourism Inc has pointed out that there will be several disadvantages to passengers disembarking from the bus in Denmark and that they are not in favour of the bus stop being located at the visitors' centre (a) Transwa passengers who are visitors to Denmark will face a 675 metre walk (I measured it with a GPS) to the YHA with their luggage perhaps in inclement weather (it still rains in Denmark) (b) The visitors centre is closed when the evening bus arrives and the toilets are locked.
5. In winter the bus may arrive after dark making it difficult for passengers to find their accommodation.
6. The present bus stop is only 75 metres from the YHA which is clearly signposted. It is located a short distance from the Denmark Hotel and River Rooms Motel, 140 metres from Noaks and is just across the road from a public phone and ATM.

Easy and Cheap Solution to the problem.

- Leave the bus stop in its present location.
- Excavate a two metre indent into the bank at the existing bus stop site. Locate the bus shelter in the indent and it will no longer interfere with the users of the footpath and will provide shelter for bus passengers waiting to board the bus or leaving the bus.
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Yours sincerely





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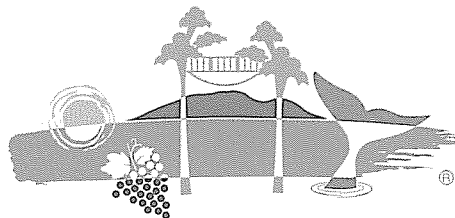
Re: Location of Denmark TransWA Bus-stop

The Board of Denmark Tourism Incorporated recently met and discussed the issue of the location of the Denmark TransWA Bus-stop. The Board is aware that at their recent meeting, Councillors considered a proposal to relocate the bus-stop to the Visitor Centre. The Board considered this proposal and resolved the following:

DTI wishes to reiterate its view that the TransWA service is extremely important for the local tourism industry. A significant proportion of backpackers, elderly travellers and others use this service, and it is essential that the service continues to operate. The Board is therefore very concerned that any proposed relocation of the bus-stop would result in the service being withdrawn.

With regard to the location of the bus-stop, the DTI's preferred option is that the bus-stop remains at its current location in Strickland Street. The Board believes that this location best accommodates the needs of coach travellers because of the close proximity of services and retail outlets, a public phone, and public toilets. The Board believes that elderly travellers in particular would be disadvantaged by the location of a bus-stop at the Visitor Centre because of the distance required to walk to town. If the Strickland Street location is not viable, then the Board recommends relocating the bus-stop to Hollings Road.

If the Council insists on relocating the bus-stop to the Visitor Centre, then we strongly request additional facilities to support the special needs of elderly travellers, including:



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provision of a public telephone to contact the local taxi service, accommodation providers, etc; the provision of suitable undercover seating; the provision of additional security lighting; the provision of a detailed wall map with directions to the centre of town; and the provision of a pedestrian pathway from the Visitor Centre car park to Ocean Beach Road. The Board also wishes to point out that the public toilets at the Visitor Centre are only open between 9.00am and 5.00pm.

If you have any questions about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Barrow". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mr Kim Barrow
Chair

