



ROTHESAY

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Council Clarifies Parking Bylaw

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Rothesay – Rothesay Council has voted to allow short-term parking on portions of the Rothesay Road during the summer season. Due to inconsistencies in the Town's traffic bylaw, parking was not previously permitted on Rothesay Road even in laybys specifically intended for that purpose. Although the bylaw was seldom enforced, this created a situation where the intended use was in fact prohibited.

These laybys were constructed when the road was last paved in 2003. At that time curbs were constructed on the river side of the road and the laybys were created specifically for vehicles to pull off in emergencies, enjoy the view of the Kennebecasis River or otherwise get out of the main flow of traffic. With more stringent regulations regarding the use of cellular phones the laybys also became a location to park while making telephone calls or texting. Some of the laybys also serve parking needs at the foot of several of the steepest streets in the town during severe winter weather conditions. Revisions to a new traffic bylaw expected in the early fall will make provisions for such extended winter use.

Due to concerns raised by residents in the neighbourhood, Council has voted to remove the recently installed signs describing the 2 hour parking limitations. The view expressed was that residents in the neighbourhood know that parking is for short-term purposes and they would prefer not to have their view of the river interrupted by regulatory signage.

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