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Royal Show Parking

The full-fledged Royal Show in the city is Perth's biggest community event attracting 400,000 visitors from the city and the country every year. With these types of numbers we see how the councils are working together to keep order on the local streets.

Town of Claremont has reported that their biggest problems are when drivers park on verges, in no-standing zones and obstructing footpaths. The Claremont rangers are out on the streets and looking to prevent parking problems that will cause accidents.

The Show continues to be a money spinner for residents who rent their front lawns and driveways to Show patrons, taking the cars off the-verges.

Mayor Max Hipkins said, "The recent amendments to the parking local law were never intended to deter young teenagers and kids making a quick buck by charging for their front lawn during the week of September for the Royal Show. This is one week of the year that creates a win win – the young entrepreneurs in the area make a few dollars and the cars that flock to the Show are taken off streets and verges and parked on residents' home driveways and lawns".

The City of Nedlands recent adoption of the updated parking policy reminds residents that the rental of verges is not authorised as this is council land. The renting of garages and driveways for any business venture which entails commercial gain, excluding car parking for the Royal Show, will require a development application.

The City of Nedlands planning regulations, which fall under the WA Planning Act, require home businesses to seek planning approval from the City.

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