FACTOS. FICTION PARKING CONTROLS KILL THE RETAIL STRIP

FICTION

Parking meters are a revenue grab by local councils.

Drivers spend more money at the shops

Customers expect to park right outside the shop they want to visit

FACT

Paid parking generates revenue to improve pavements and public amenities that would not otherwise be available

Although drivers spend more money per trip, walkers and cyclists spend money more often

When no controls exist it is usually the owner or employee who take the parking spot outside the shop

Success of the retail strip is attributable to the lack of parking controls

The longer people can park, the more they spend

Factors also include rent values, choice of retail/food/ entertainment on offer AND pedestrian amenity

The longer people want to spend in a location, the further they are willing to walk from their parking spot; parking controls help to increase space turnover



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