

9. **RICCARTON/WIGRAM TRANSPORT AND ROADING COMMITTEE
REPORT OF 8 NOVEMBER 2002**

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The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Transport and Roading Committee meeting held on Friday 8 November 2002.

The meeting was attended by Bob Shearing (Chairperson), Helen Broughton, Peter Laloli and Mike Mora.

An apology was received from Ken Cummings. Helen Broughton was present for clauses 1 and 2, only.

1. CITY ROAD MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT

Richard Bailey (City Streets Amenity Maintenance Team Leader) was in attendance to discuss the City Streets maintenance management processes, contracts, etc.

2. WORKS INFRASTRUCTURE PRESENTATION

Ken Avant (Works Infrastructure's local manager) was in attendance to discuss their maintenance management and process programme.

3. BELLA ROSA DRIVE AND CATALUNA PLACE CONSULTATION

In June this year Bob Shearing initiated a letterbox inquiry seeking the views of residents on a two hour time limit for parking being introduced. (Cataluna and Bella Rosa to 19 and 36)

The response from this letterbox drop was: 39 in favour of the restriction, 3 against and 3 non-responses.

The Committee considered the responses as well as information from our City Streets Unit and they made a recommendation to the Community Board that P120 apply Monday-Friday only from 9.00 am – 5.00 pm along both sides of Bella Rosa Drive to Jerez Place and all of Cataluna Place.

This recommendation was duly adopted by the Community Board on 31 July 2002.

Council has received a complaint from one resident about the consultation process leading up to the decision being made. Although the Board is happy with their decision they want to confirm with the residents affected that the solution is working. They felt they had a mandate from the majority of residents who wanted the restriction and that the problem had gone on long enough (years in fact).

The second letterbox drop, in early October, sought resident feedback; they were asked to respond to the following.

"I am happy/unhappy with the parking restriction because.....:

"If unhappy, what solutions do you have....."

Feedback to date, results are 28 affirmations, with 9 residents giving comments (some in the negative, some constructive).

Barry Cook (Community Traffic Engineer) was in attendance; the impact of the time limit restrictions here had spilled over onto Carmen Road.

On-street parking along that section of Carmen Road was an increasing issues; a City Streets/Transit NZ study was being initiated, as a consequence, and this would be reported back in due course.

In consideration of the 'revisiting' of the Bella Rosa/Cataluna process and resident feedback, the Committee wished to reaffirm the 31 July 2002 Board decisions (in respect of the time-limit parking).

Residents would be informed, of this; also, draw their attention to the Carmen Road study and the Council parking strategy.

The Committee recommendation is separately recorded in clause 8 of this report.

4. CITYWIDE PARKING STRATEGY

Heather Wallis (Graduate Transport Planner, and Strategy co-author) was in attendance to discuss the public consultation document on the citywide parking strategy.

The Parking Strategy has been released for public consultation. This follows a process of input from focus groups, officers from the City and Regional Councils, the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee as well as an open seminar to Community Board members.

The Strategy has a vision, objectives, policies, methods, monitoring and implementation sections. Within the policies and methods there are seven sections (General, Arterial, Business (including General Business, Commercial/Retail, Central City and Industrial), Residential, Recreation/Leisure, Education and Rural). Each section has specific policies that relate to the Land Use with the General Section covering all land uses.

After the close of submissions staff will begin to analyse submissions and consider possible amendments. In February 2003 a report summarising the submissions received, along with possible responses will be presented to the Community Boards and Sustainable Transport & Utilities Committee. Following feedback from these meetings, final amendments will be made to the Strategy ready for formal adoption in March 2003.

Member feedback would be sought, with a view to preparation of a submission.

5. WYCOLA AVENUE INITIATIVE

The Committee was asked to consider a City Streets Unit request to approve the application of a "no cycling" painted symbol onto the footpath at both ends of the Wycola Shopping Centre.

At its 2 October 2002 meeting the Board gave approval to implement a Neighbourhood Improvement Plan for Wycola Avenue.

During the consultation process for this project a number of residents and business owners expressed their concern over the issue of cyclists riding through the shopping centre, on the footpath, and the number of cycles left on the footpath.

This issue is of particular concern for elderly shoppers, many of whom are frightened when cyclists ride past them on the footpath. One or two elderly shoppers have had nasty falls when cyclists have been left on the footpath outside shops.

While there isn't a specific 'no cycling' symbol it would be easy to adapt what the Council currently uses to signify an off road cycle path to indicate that cycling on to the footpath is prohibited.

It is suggested that the symbol could show the cycle sign but incorporating a 'slash' line through it.

Staff are aware that some cyclists may choose to ignore the no cycling symbol, however, it is important that the community and business owners concerns are acknowledged and that the Council implement those measures that it can to support the community.

The cost of applying this symbol would be minimal and covered by the City Streets Maintenance budget.

The Committee as supportive of the request; their recommendation is separately recorded in clause 8 of this report.

6. LOCHEE ROAD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

Further to the on-site meeting held with 50 residents of Lochee Road, on Saturday 2 November 2002, the Committee gave further consideration to progressing this issue.

In accordance with City Streets Unit process, a scoping study would now be initiated to collect the "issues" and "options"; this would be reported back to the Board, via this Committee.

If funding for the scoping study could be found now, City Streets Unit could bid to schedule any (physical) work into the 2003/04 programme.

The Committee was keen to progress this; their recommendation is separately recorded in clause 8 of this report.

7. TRANSIT PRESENTATION

Agreed to invite Transit representatives to the February meeting to discuss major projects.

8. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

(a) In respect of Bella Rosa Drive and Cataluna Place:

- (i) That the Board reaffirm its 31 July 2002 resolution to P120 time limit parking, Monday-Friday from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm along both sides of Bella Rosa Drive, to Jerez Place, and all of Cataluna Place.
- (ii) That this decision be conveyed back to the residents; also, that they be advised of the Carmen Road on-street study, and the Citywide Parking Strategy.

(b) That the Board approve the application of a "no-cycling" symbol on the footpath at both ends of the Wycola Shopping Centre.

(c) That the Board fund the Lochee Road Scoping Study, to a maximum of \$5,000; source of funding to be:

Works and Traffic Project Fund	\$1,000
Discretionary Fund	\$4,000

(Note: Uncommitted current balances in these two accounts is \$1,000 and \$31,400 respectively.)

Chairperson's

- Recommendations:**
- 1. That the report be received.
 - 2. That the Committee's recommendations be adopted.