

## 6. LITTER BINS – PAPANUI/NORTHLANDS SHOPPING AREA

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The purpose of this report is to provide the Board information on litter bins in the Papanui/Northlands shopping area as requested by the Board at its meeting on 2 October 2002.

The area surveyed extended along Papanui Road and Main North Road from Blighs Road to Vagues Road. Also included were the commercial areas on the “side” roads between these two points. That the officer’s recommendation be adopted.

The survey showed that the area is provided with:

- 20 Concrete bins.
- 13 Plastic Bins on posts or poles.
- Also in the area are three litter bins on KFC’s property and one at Northlands Mall by the bus stop at the main pedestrian access to Main North Road.

These bins are mainly located in the area between Bellvue Avenue and Sawyers Arms Road. (An overhead will be shown at the meeting showing the locations.)

With the exception of the bus stops at Meadow Street, Langdons Road at Northlands and Grassmere Street all bus stops had litter bins placed by them.

City Streets Unit advises that they have not received any complaints about the dumping of commercial rubbish and domestic rubbish to the extent that the bins are overflowing especially in the commercial area. The bins are cleared five times a week. They also advise that they are in the process of fitting metal lids to the concrete bins. This will discourage the practice of the dumping of plastic supermarket bags of domestic rubbish.

There have been complaints from time to time about litter from take-aways especially in Blair and Bellvue Avenues. KFC advise that they do a litter sweep of these two streets, in the immediate vicinity of their premises, Thursday to Saturday. As mentioned above they also have three litter bins on their premises.

Papanui Road and Main North Road in the commercial area are swept twice weekly and there is a litter pick up on a Monday at the end of Bellvue Avenue.

As expressed at the last Board meeting the City Streets Unit will install litter bins at bus stops adjoining commercial premises and at corner dairies but are reluctant to install them in residential areas. Experience has shown that where litter bins are installed in residential areas their function is quickly abused by people leaving domestic rubbish in and around them. This abuse is also in evidence at parks and reserves where litter bins have been located close to a road.

The Board will also recall a request from the Papanui RSA for an “Approved CCC concrete litter bin” to be installed in their car park. I have since confirmed Mrs Barry’s statement that the Club would be happy with a pole mounted plastic one and that they will look after the maintenance and clearing of the bin. In view of the Board’s favourable response to the request I have had a bin installed.

### Staff

**Recommendation:** That the information be received.

### Chairperson’s

- Recommendation:**
1. That the officer’s recommendation be adopted.
  2. That Keep Christchurch Beautiful be invited to a future seminar meeting to talk about litter.