

## 5. ROAD STOPPING TO PART OF HUNTER TERRACE

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval to commence with the stopping of part of Hunter Terrace (described as Section 1 on attached plan 25407/1 comprising of an area of 5,717 m<sup>2</sup>) under Public Works Act 1981.

### BACKGROUND

This section of Hunter Terrace to be stopped is in front of the South Christchurch Library/Service Centre/Learning Centre, currently under construction. A new road described as Section 2 on Plan 25407/1 will be constructed and this will provide an alternative route should the Hunter Terrace intersection be closed to vehicles.

At the planning stage of this development it was acknowledged the need to stop Section 1 of Hunter Terrace. At the community consultation stage, the community has shown a strong desire to create a good open space along the river (see attached site plan for the development Plan 25407/2.)

The existing intersection of Hunter Terrace and Colombo Street is immediately south of the bridge and road users do experience difficulties on sight distance of vehicles. The closeness of the roadway to the river and its steep bank along this section of Hunter Terrace also presented bank stability issues. The proposed new road will provide a much more desirable and safer intersection for road users using Hunter Terrace. For traffic safety reasons it is highly desirable that this portion of road "Section 1" be stopped and the land be vested as "esplanade reserve". This area will provide a good opportunity for enhancement work to the Heathcote River and at the same time creates a timely opportunity to review the landscape plan for the centre development.

For the reasons mentioned above it is recommended that all that parcel of land being Section 1, and containing 5,717 m<sup>2</sup> and shown as road, be stopped.

### Staff

**Recommendation:** That the Board approve the commencement of the stopping procedure for the section of Hunter Terrace known as Section 1 Plan 25407/1.

### Chairman's

**Recommendation:** That the above recommendation be adopted. The stopping of Hunter Terrace will allow the proposed "open space" along the Heathcote riverbank.