

6. BUCKLEYS ROAD - PROPOSED CYCLE LANES AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITY

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The purpose of this report is to request that the Burwood/Pegasus and Hagley/Ferrymead Community Boards approve the appended concept plan for the proposed installation of cycle lanes and a pedestrian signal facility on Buckleys Road, between Linwood Avenue and Cuffs Road, for consultation in November 2003 (see attachment).

The report is referred to the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board given the proposed works are on the boundary of the Pegasus ward.

BACKGROUND

Buckleys Road has long been recognised as a main cycle route for commuter cyclists to and from the City, and for students attending the education institutions of Linwood Intermediate School and Linwood College. Buckleys Road is a major arterial carrying an average of 26,000 vehicles per day over this portion, and up to 132 cycles per hour. Approximately 30% of these cyclists would be school pupils. There are no cycle lanes at present on this section of Buckleys Road, which is identified in the Christchurch City Council Planning Map as being a medium/moderate priority site for the installation of cycle facilities.

The Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board considered a report at its November 2002 meeting on whether or not the pedestrian crossing facility in Buckleys Road at its intersection with Kerrs Road should be extended to include the south-eastern portion of Buckleys Road. The Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board resolved to support the installation of new pedestrian facilities at the Buckleys Road/Kerrs Road intersection. These two projects have been combined in the proposed concept plan.

PROPOSAL

Buckleys Road is on the Capital Works Programme to have cycleways installed in the 2003/04 financial year and improved pedestrian facilities at its intersection with Kerrs Road. These two projects have budgets of \$129,600 and \$95,000 respectively. Construction is planned to start in March 2004. The specific aims and objectives of this project are to:

- Install continuous cycle facilities on both sides of the road for the length of this project.
- Provide cycle facilities at all three signalised intersections.
- Improve pedestrian and cycle crossability over Buckleys Road at the Kerrs Road intersection.

Directly affected residents, property owners, and interested parties will receive a publicity pamphlet. Where a no stopping restriction is proposed the adjacent properties will be doorknocked. It is anticipated feedback will be reported back to the Board at its January 2004 meeting for its recommendation to the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee.

At its meeting on 29 October 2003, the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board gave its approval to consultation on the concept plan.

Staff

Recommendation: That the Buckleys Road cycle lanes and pedestrian facility concept plan be approved for consultation.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the abovementioned recommendation be adopted.