

9. GAMBLINS ROAD – BUS STOPS

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The purpose of this report is to ask the Board to approve the installation of a pair of bus stops in Gamblins Road as part of the kerb and channel reconstruction in St Martins Road and Centaurus Road.

BACKGROUND

As part of the kerb and channel and traffic management in Centaurus Road from Colombo Street to St Martins Road, and St Martins Road from Centaurus Road to Gamblins Road, there is a need to rationalise the bus stops in the vicinity of the intersection of St Martins Road and Gamblins Road.

At present there are bus stops in St Martins Road at numbers 16 and 17 and another pair outside numbers 14 and 15 Gamblins Road. It is proposed to remove these four stops and replace them with a pair of bus stops near the intersection. These stops service both the Red Bus and Orbiter routes.

This proposal will leave a pair of bus stops in Centaurus Road two properties south of the St Martins Road intersection, and another pair in Wilsons Road near Wades Avenue. These two pairs of bus stops are between 300 and 350 metres from the proposed bus stops.

DISCUSSION

In May the owners and residents of the properties in Gamblins Road near its intersection with St Martins Road were visited and a letter delivered asking for their willingness to have a bus stop and whether they had any concerns.

Some properties never responded, but the residents at numbers 9A and 8 were happy to have a bus stop. The residents of numbers 2 and 7 do not want a bus stop.

After a site visit and a measure-up, Council officers are recommending that the new pair of bus stops be placed outside numbers 9A and 11 on the northwest side and outside number 8 on the southeast side of Gamblins Road.

The residents in Gamblins Road who were approached about the position of the new bus stops have been notified that the Board is being asked to approve these bus stop positions. This has resulted in the resident of number 11 contacting Council Officers and requesting that the bus stop not be placed in this position. It has been suggested to this resident that she could request speaking rights at the Board meeting to address the issue.

CONCLUSION

That the Board approve the rationalisation of the bus stops, with the removal of the existing bus stops at numbers 16 and 17 in St Martins Road and numbers 14 and 15 Gamblins Road and the installation of two bus stops in Gamblins Road at numbers 9A /11 and 8.

There will be a need for other parking restrictions to be installed in St Martins and Centaurus Roads when the design of the new kerb and channel is complete and the full extent of the restrictions is known.

Staff

- Recommendation:**
1. That the bus stop on the northwest side of Gamblins Road, commencing at a point 39 metres from its intersection with Ngaio Street and extending in a southwest direction for a distance of 12 metres, be removed.
 2. That the bus stop on the southeast side of Gamblins Road, commencing at a point 35 metres from its intersection with Ngaio Street and extending in a southwest direction for a distance of 12 metres, be removed.
 3. That the bus stop on the west side of St Martins Road, commencing at a point 36 metres from its intersection with Gamblins Road and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 12 metres, be removed.

4. That the bus stop on the east side of St Martins Road, commencing at a point 57 metres from its intersection with Gamblins Road and extending in a southwest direction for a distance of 12 metres, be removed.
5. That a bus stop be installed on the northwest side of Gamblins Road, commencing at a point 60 metres from its intersection with St Martins Road and extending in a northeast direction for a distance of 12 metres.
6. That a bus stop be installed on the southeast side of Gamblins Road, commencing at a point 50 metres from its intersection with St Martins Road and extending in a northeast direction for a distance of 12 metres.

**Chairperson's
Comment:**

Full report not seen by Chairman.