

### 3. AVONSIDE DRIVE/TRENT STREET – NO RIGHT TURNS

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Corporate Plan Output: Traffic Signs and Markings	

The purpose of this report is to inform the Council of the results of a questionnaire to residents and property owners and to present the Board's recommendations to the Council.

Work to improve safety at the intersection of Trent Street and Avonside Drive is programmed for 1998/99. Confusion is occurring when traffic is turning right into Trent Street at Avonside Drive. Vehicles turning into either Trent Street or Linwood Avenue indicate at about the same distance from the intersection. Following traffic is experiencing difficulty in distinguishing between those vehicles turning into Trent Street and those turning into Linwood Avenue.

The traffic gap and visibility for traffic turning right out of Trent Street is poor and this is causing a safety problem for both the turning traffic and the through traffic on Avonside Drive.

The questionnaire asked the residents and property owners to indicate their preference from the two options outlined below:

Option One – to close Trent Street at Avonside Drive and landscape the end of the street.

Option Two – to restrict traffic movements to left turns only. This would eliminate the dangerous right turns at the intersection.

54% of residents and property owners responded to the questionnaire. Of the replies 73% were in favour of Option Two and 27% favoured Option One.

To implement Option Two the right turns from both Avonside Drive and Trent Street need to be prevented which can be implemented by resolutions of the Council and of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board.

**The Board resolved:**

1. To approve Option Two as a solution to the safety issues being experienced at the intersection of Trent Street and Avonside Drive.
2. That there be no right turn from Trent Street into Avonside Drive.
3. To make the recommendation which follows to the Council:

**Recommendation:** That there be no right turn from Avonside Drive into Trent Street.