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**RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY BOARD  
20 MARCH 1998**

**An emergency meeting of the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board  
was held on Friday 20 March 1998 at 8.00 am**

**PRESENT:**

David Buist (Chairperson),  
Graham Berry, Helen Broughton, Mary Corbett,  
Ishwar Ganda, Lesley Keast, Mark Kunnen,  
Mike Mora and Bob Shearing.

Mark Kunnen arrived at 8.05 am and was present for all clauses.

The Board reports that:

**PART A - MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION**

Nil

**PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

**1. BUCHANANS ROAD / RACECOURSE ROAD INTERSECTION**

The Chairperson had called this emergency meeting of the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board to address the Board's Works and Traffic Committee's concern that this matter was back on the City Services Committee agenda (10 March 1998), with recommendations for a roundabout to be installed and that 1998/99 funding be sought. The Works and Traffic Committee was also concerned with part 3 of the City Services Committee's recommendation "... *that the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board be informed of these decisions*".

In June 1997 the Council resolved that a "residents option" traffic management extended kerb proposal be trialled over a three month period to assess the benefits of this work option and that the assessment include a safety audit. Advice to the 4 March 1998 meeting of the Community Board had indicated the completed safety audit was inconclusive and that further information and safety statistics were needed.

The Community Board was in receipt of two recommendations from its Works and Traffic Committee (17 March) which sought to reinforce its concerns that the Council's community consultation process had not been followed, and requesting

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that the Buchanans Road/Racecourse Road intersection work be withdrawn from the Council (25 March) agenda via the City Services Committee report to Council.

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In attendance at the Community Board meeting were officers from the City Streets Unit.

There was a consensus by members that the expectations of the community, the large cost of this unsubsidised work, the inconclusive safety audit, the low benefit/cost ratio, and the Council's consultative policy not being followed led it to promote the following resolutions.

1. That the Board express concern to the Strategy and Resources Committee (Annual Plan Working Party) that the particular project (Buchanans/Racecourse Road) not be supported on the grounds of lack of community consultation, the low benefit/cost ratio for the project and the related absence of transfund subsidy.
2. That the Community Board and Riccarton Park Residents' Association accept that the current intersection layout is, with minor lane delineation work, considered safe in the immediate future.

These two resolutions were subsequently forwarded to the 20 March meeting of the Strategy and Resources Annual Plan Working Party who were considering the City Services Committee funding request for 1998/99 funding.

For consideration at the Council's 25 March meeting the Community Board **decided:**

3. That the Community Board ratify the Board's Works and Traffic Committee's request for the Buchanans Road/Racecourse Road intersection to be withdrawn from consideration at the Council's meeting on 25 March.
4. That if the request is not granted speaking rights be sought at the Council meeting in support of the deputation from the Riccarton Park Residents Association, the Board's deputation to be Messrs Mike Mora and Bob Shearing.

The meeting concluded at 9.00 am

**CONFIRMED THIS 1ST DAY OF APRIL 1998**

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CHAIRPERSON**