

**3. CROSS SUBURBAN BUS ROUTE
– ESTABLISHMENT OF BUS STOPS**

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Council of a trial cross suburban bus route and to obtain approval for some bus stop locations.

The Canterbury Regional Council proposes a cross suburban bus route from Northlands Mall to Princess Margaret Hospital which passes key points along the way. This will allow patrons direct access to areas that would normally require a bus trip to Cathedral Square and another one back out to their destination. Publicity involving a discussion document and a questionnaire delivered to houses within 400 m of the proposed route resulted in positive feedback and a few minor changes were made, which are incorporated in the attached map.

It is intended that this service commences in July 1999. For this to happen the City Council has to establish a number of new bus stops. It is desirable to install bus shelters on a good number of these stops to ensure the success of this service. Because this is a new route there are very few existing bus stops able to be utilised. This means that patronage counts are not available until after commencement of the service.

Existing bus stops are available on radial roads like Harewood Road, Memorial Avenue and Riccarton Road.

Agreement has been obtained from the property owners adjacent to a number of proposed stops. These are the ones listed in the recommendations.

There are two bus stop positions which we have yet to gain approval from adjacent property owners in the Board's area. They are at 39a Frankleigh Street and opposite the Barrington Mall on Barrington Street. To date we have some doubt that we have had a reply from the true owner of 39a Frankleigh Street. The proposed site outside No. 277 Barrington Street opposite Spreydon Library is ideally located because of its proximity to the pedestrian island, although at a previous Spreydon-Heathcote Community Board meeting the members decided:

“That the Board support the alteration of the bus route via Athelstan Street to Barrington Mall, following the existing route, because the Board considers the safety element outside the Barrington Library is paramount.”

The Canterbury Regional Council has some reservations on a route change. In view of this Alex Campbell, Passenger Transport Planner, from the Canterbury Regional Council was in attendance at the meeting to address this issue.

The Committee is also requested to consider the installation of the bus stop outside 39a Frankleigh Street without the owner's approval. This is listed in the recommendations as (c).

Officer's

Recommendation: That the Board recommend to the Council that the installation of bus stops be approved at the following locations:

- (a) On the east side of Cashmere Road commencing at a point 7 metres from the intersection with Bengal Drive and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 17 metres.
- (b) On the west side of Hoon Hay Road commencing at a point 41 metres from the intersection with Blakiston Street and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 10 metres.
- (c) On the west side of Frankleigh Street commencing at a point 265 metres from the intersection with Lyttelton Street and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 11 metres.
- (d) On the east side of Frankleigh Street commencing at a point 212.5 metres from the intersection with Lyttelton Street and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 11 metres.
- (e) On the south-west side of Barrington Street commencing at a point 36 metres from the intersection with Wychbury Street and extending in a north westerly direction for a distance of 15 metres.
- (f) On the north-east side of Barrington Street commencing at a point 30 metres from the intersection with Wychbury Street and extending in a north westerly direction for a distance of 17 metres.
- (g) On the north-west side of Barrington Street commencing at a point 28 metres from the intersection with Bewdley Street and extending in a south easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres.

- (h) On the north-east side of Barrington Street commencing at a point 38 metres from the intersection with Bewdley Street and extending in a south easterly direction for a distance of 14.5 metres.
- (i) On the north-west side of Barrington Street commencing at a point 30 metres from the intersection with Neville Street and extending in a north westerly direction for a distance of 13 metres.
- (j) On the north-east side of Barrington Street commencing at a point 7.5 metres from the intersection with Neville Street and extending in a north westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres.
- (k) On the north-west side of Whiteleigh Avenue commencing at a point 76 metres from the intersection with Lincoln Road and extending in a north westerly direction for a distance of 16 metres.
- (l) On the north-east side of Whiteleigh Avenue commencing at a point 103 metres from the intersection with Lincoln Road and extending in a north westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres.

Board's

Recommendation:

1. That the above bus stops be approved, except for the bus stop described in (c).
2. That bus stops not be located outside 277 Barrington Street, or at the place recommended in the officer's recommendation (c).
3. That the Canterbury Regional Council be asked to route the cross suburban bus route in the vicinity of Barrington Mall via Milton, Simeon and Athelstan Streets.