

26. RIVERLAW TERRACE – TRAFFIC SPEED

RR 10706

At the 27 May 1999 Council meeting a petition was received from the residents of Riverlaw Terrace and others outlining concerns over traffic speed and volume on Riverlaw Terrace. At that meeting the Council resolved to refer the matter to the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board and the appropriate Standing Committee, in this case the City Services Committee.

Both the Board and the Committee have received reports which indicate that the residents' concern over excessive vehicle speed and an increase in traffic volume are valid. Road humps were installed in Eastern Terrace early in 1997 and since these humps were installed more vehicles now use Riverlaw Terrace as the through route to and from Wilsons Road, many at speed. However the City Streets prioritisation of requests for traffic calming places Riverlaw Terrace at priority order 13 out of 66 neighbourhood improvement projects within the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board area.

The Committee has noted the concerns of residents and has asked that the petitioners be advised that a review of traffic calming techniques in Christchurch is being carried out with a view to reducing physical works in favour of other methods.