

6. RICCARTON/WIGRAM WORKS AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE REPORT OF 10 DECEMBER 1999 MEETING

The Board received a report on the Committee meeting held on 10 December 1999.

6.1 Wigram Subdivision Main Access Road

Community concern had been expressed about the effect of the residential developments at Wigram, especially in relation to the roading network and the increase in traffic movements onto Springs Road.

On behalf of the City Streets Unit, Mike Calvert provided a report to the Committee.

Messrs Calvert and Weng Kei Chen were in attendance at the Committee meeting.

The Wigram Airfield is currently owned by Ngai Tahu and is being developed partly as a commercial airfield and partially as residential development.

Concerns expressed by the school and Board members has resulted in the existing pedestrian crossing on Springs Road being re-sited further north on Springs Road at the cost of the subdivider (Ngai Tahu). This will better serve the school children crossing Springs Road from the existing residential development and eventually from Stages 1 and 2 of the subdivision..

A flush median is proposed from Amyes Road to the Main South Road to provide further for pedestrians and City Design are currently undertaking further design to provide for two strategically located pedestrian refuge islands which will increase safety for those people crossing Springs Road to the south of Garvins Road.

The Committee then met school and community representatives, on site.

Whilst there was a variance as to the impact of traffic increases, the Committee **agreed** to take the community concerns into account and discuss this matter at its next (February) meeting.

6.2 Deputation from Riccarton Park Residents Association

On behalf of the Association, Mr Stephen Shimmin brought two matters of concern to the attention of the Committee.

The first related to the programme upgrading of Yaldhurst Road (Nortons to Fovant).

The extensive reconstruction work is scheduled for tendering in April. Mr Shimmin sought support to have the Yaldhurst/Racecourse Road intersection traffic – signalled.

The Board **agreed** to support this request.

The second matter, from Mr Shimmin, related to the Carmen/Buchanans Roads intersection; the small configuration of the roundabout has led to it not “working” as efficiently as desired.

Another intersection identified for discussion is the Pound/Yaldhurst Roads intersection.

The Committee have, therefore, invited representatives of Transit New Zealand to attend its next (February) meeting to discuss these two intersections.

The Board **received** the information.

6.3 **Islington Residents Association Petition Heavy Vehicle Movements**

At recent meetings, the Committee has been working through various issues raised by the Association’s petition.

Two sites had received particular attention by the Committee:

Gilberthorpes/Roberts Road intersection, and
Halswell Junction/Waterloo Road rail crossing

Following consideration of various options at these two sites, the Community Engineer promoted a report which suggested a comprehensive study on heavy vehicle patterns within the Islington area.

The Board **agreed** to refer this to the next meeting of the Works and Traffic Committee.