

8. **WALTHAM ROAD/WILSONS ROAD: BROUGHAM STREET TO ST MARTINS ROAD**

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Council of the recommendations of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board and advise of the public consultation regarding the project to improve cycle and pedestrian facilities on Waltham Road and Wilson’s Road between Brougham Street and St Martins Road.

The standard City Streets consultation leaflet was distributed to residential and commercial properties in August 2000. In addition, 1300 leaflets were distributed to five local schools seeking children’s views on this project and approximately 250 were returned. Those residents whose property would be directly affected by the proposed parking restrictions were contacted personally to ensure they understood the plan and that their views were recorded. Of the 24 responses, only one issue is unresolved with one person who owns two adjoining rental properties.

To facilitate the marked cycle lanes around the inside bend adjacent to the Austin Street intersection, a kerbside parking restriction is required. The property owner objects to this and this issue was discussed by the Community Board.

The Board resolved to:

1. Support the project as proposed to the community.
2. Inform the City Services Committee of its support for the project.
3. Prepare a draft policy statement (for consideration at a future Community Affairs Committee meeting in the first instance) on the Board’s priorities in relation to roading and traffic management issues.

Children’s Survey

At the time of writing this report, I have been unable to analyse all survey forms returned, the initial indication is that children do not have an objection to the proposal.

In conclusion, the only negative unresolvable response is from the owner of numbers 60 and 64 Waltham Road. The cycle planner advises that in excess of 100 cyclists use this section of Waltham Road. While the concerns of the one property owner are acknowledged, City Streets Unit staff are of the opinion that the benefits in terms of road safety for the vulnerable road users (cyclists and pedestrians) outweigh the property owners concerns.

- Recommendation:**
1. That the project as originally proposed to the community be adopted.
 2. That the parking of vehicles be restricted at all times at the frontage of no’s 60, 64 & 5 Waltham Road.
 3. That the parking of vehicles be restricted on the eastern side of Waltham Road commencing at the Brougham Street intersecting and extending in a southerly direction to the intersection of Hastings Street east.
 4. That the parking of vehicles be restricted at the frontage of 189 Wilsons Road.
 5. That the parking of vehicles be restricted at the Waltham Road frontage of number 363 Eastern Terrace.
 6. That the parking of vehicles be restricted at the Waltham pool frontage on Waltham Road, commencing at the Fifield Terrace intersection and extending in a north westerly direction for a distance of 58 metres.