

2. **PROPOSED ROAD STOPPING, RETENTION OF STOPPED ROAD
IN COUNCIL OWNERSHIP - PORTION OF VIEW TERRACE
(OPPOSITE HUNTSBURY AVENUE)**

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The purpose of this report is to start the legal procedures necessary to stop a portion of legal road. This process follows the advice of the Council's solicitor.

The reason for the proposed road stopping of a portion of View Terrace is for traffic management purposes.

This Community Board and the Council have approved the stopping of View Terrace on a number of occasions during the last ten years. Options have been discussed, with the last proposal in 1998 to legally stop the road attracting a number of objections from adjoining property owners.

The hearing panel responsible for considering the objections was of the opinion that the road stopping should not proceed at that time, and recommended that:

- "1. Issues of speed and safety on View Terrace be referred to the Spreydon Heathcote Community Board.*
- 2. The City Services Committee consider the current and potential users of View Terrace, taking into consideration the unsatisfactory nature of traffic management in View Terrace and the safety and welfare of the people using the road."*

Since that time a number of improvements have been carried out in View Terrace, ie:

1. The roadway has been widened at the east end of the portion of the road to be stopped (at 9 View Terrace) to enable vehicles to turn around and move back down the road.
2. A threshold treatment has been constructed at the west end of the portion of road to discourage through traffic to this lower part of View Terrace from Huntsbury Avenue. It is still possible for vehicles to travel down View Terrace if required.

One of the problems highlighted by the landowners who have to use the portion of View Terrace off Centaurus Road is the lack of sight distance. This problem could be solved by the removal of vegetation on the north side of the roadway that is obstructing the view of oncoming traffic.

The City Streets Unit is keen to stop through traffic from Huntsbury Avenue using View Terrace as a cut-through to Centaurus Road. Due to the difficult terrain it is unlikely a satisfactory roadway can be constructed to provide a safe travel route for future growth, particularly with the completion of Broad Oak subdivision (i.e. when Major Aiken Drive joins Huntsbury Avenue).

Easements will be created to protect any services after the portion of road is legally stopped, if required.

RESOLUTION

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 319 (h) and 342 of the Local Government Act 1974, the Christchurch City Council hereby resolves to stop those portions of road as shown on the plans and described in the Schedule hereto.

REASON FOR THE ROAD STOPPING

The reason for this road stopping is to legally stop a portion of View Terrace for traffic management purposes.

It will not be possible to carry out a right turn vehicle movement from Huntsbury Avenue into the top end of View Terrace and down to Centaurus Road. Pedestrian traffic will not be affected.

PURPOSE TO WHICH THE STOPPED ROAD WILL BE PUT

The portion of road when stopped will be held by the Council in fee simple pursuant to Section 345 (1) (b) of the Local Government Act 1974.

SCHEDULE

A portion of View Terrace being all those parcels of land situated in the City of Christchurch, shown as '*Road to be Stopped*' and described as follows:

Shown	Area	SO	Adjoining Land
"A"	484 m ²	19964	Lot 2 DP 20202 Lot 2 DP 27793 Lot 4 DP 20204
"B"	381 m ²	20257	Pt 48 DP5960 Pt 47 DP5960

- Recommendation:**
1. That the above resolution be adopted.
 2. That the stopped road be held in the Council's name pursuant to Section 345 (1) (b) of the Local Government Act 1974.