

1. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

HEATON STREET RESIDENTS' COMMITTEE – DEMOLITION OF DWELLING 146 HEATON STREET

The Committee heard from the Heaton Street Residents' Committee, led by David Lynch, who advised that the Residents' Committee had been formed to address the concerns of residents at the significant adverse effects the loss of the 146 Heaton Street building would bring. These were seen as the further erosion of the residential zone surrounding the hospital and major traffic safety concerns for all users of Heaton Street, but particularly the 570 Heaton Normal Intermediate School pupils.

Photographs and maps were tabled at the meeting.

Antony Gough, representing the residents of Heaton Street, stated that the demolition of the property compromised the integrity of the SAM 11 designation and represented a further encroachment by St George's into their residential neighbourhood. The number of traffic movements along Heaton Street, Papanui Road and Leinster Road were provided. When the development is completed at St George's Hospital, there will be an estimated 4,100 vehicle movements per day in and out of the hospital via the Heaton Street entrance.

David Bycroft, Principal of Heaton Normal Intermediate School, advised that the school was concerned over the Heaton Street entrance/exit becoming the primary entrance and exit for St George's Hospital. He provided statistics on how the students commuted to school each day and tabled a report on the school's research into the matter.

Don Mackenzie, Traffic Engineer, spoke of the impact of vehicles entering or exiting Heaton Street, which was classed as a minor arterial road. The deputation concluded with the following recommendations:

1. That a Variation be actioned immediately in accordance with the recommendations from Boffa Miskell.
2. That a peer review be undertaken of the traffic management in relation to St George's and the surrounding roads, to allow the Council to initiate its own action if it deems it necessary.
3. That the Council write to the St George's Hospital Board, requesting that it consider an opportunity under section 127 of the Resource Management Act, and that the Council request St George's to defer any plan for demolition or removal, allowing an opportunity for all parties to negotiate.
4. That the Council confirm its position with the residents on these matters by Wednesday 7 March 2001.
5. That the Council publicly notify the change to the hospital entranceway.

The Committee **decided** to meet at a later date to consider a response to the deputation's requests.