

4. BEALEY/CARLTON MILL/HARPER/PARK TERRACE INTERSECTION

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The purpose of this report is to advise the Council of the Parks, Gardens and Waterways Committee's consideration of Bealey/Carlton Mill/Harper/Park Terrace Intersection report recommendations.

BACKGROUND

At the meeting of the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee held on Tuesday 9 April 2002 a report from Alix Newman, Transport Planner, on possible improvements to the intersection of Bealey Avenue/Carlton Mill Road/Harper Avenue/Park Terrace was considered by the Committee.

In view of the fact that one of the possibilities discussed in the report would involve the taking of approximately up to 550 square metres of land from Hagley Park, with also some impacts on Park Terrace, the Committee resolved that the report and recommendations should be referred to the Parks, Gardens and Waterways Committee for its information.

The recommendations of the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee which will be reported to the ordinary meeting of the Council on 24 April 2002 are set out below:

1. *That the Committee acknowledge that the city has a safety and capacity problem at the key intersection of Bealey Avenue/Carlton Mill Road/Harper Avenue/ Park Terrace in respect to:*
 - (a) *Safety for vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians.*
 - (b) *The need to provide an efficient public transport solution to encourage its use.*
 - (c) *Longterm traffic capacity requirements consistent with the capacity provided by the four lane major arterial roads and bridge connects (Bealey Avenue, Harper Avenue, Park Terrace).*
2. *That the Council explore a range of possibilities for improvements to the intersection one of which could be the taking of up to 550 square metres of Hagley Park for bridge widening.*
3. *That an appropriate consultation programme be developed for approval.*
4. *That this report and recommendation be referred to the Parks, Gardens and Waterways Committee.*

Recommendation: That the report on the Bealey/Carlton Mill/Harper/Park Terrace Intersection be referred to the Parks and Waterways Unit for a report on the implications of the proposal to take part of Hagley Park for bridge widening and intersection development.