

### 3. DEPUTATION BY APPOINTMENT

#### 3.1 STRAVEN ROAD KERB AND CHANNEL/MATAI STREET WEST TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ISSUES

Ron Stevens and Bill Angus addressed the Board regarding their concerns relating to the proposed installation of a new traffic restraint in Matai Street West, and one on Straven Road (at the intersection with Matai Street West) which would prohibit right turns in and out of Matai Street West.

The project, Straven Road (Kahu to Fendalton) included the construction of these two traffic islands to improve safety for students and cyclists crossing Straven Road. The Council, at its meeting on 12 December 2001, had adopted the proposals, as recommended by the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee.

The Board was in receipt of a submission (10 March 2002), and a tabled submission from Mr Stevens, along with other City Streets Unit reports.

The City Streets Unit was represented at the Board meeting by Brian Neill, Lee Kelly and Victoria Lawson.

Messrs Stevens and Angus, at the meeting, reiterated the concerns of many residents of the western portion of Matai Street West about the loss of the ability to make right-hand turns, and questioned the need to "protect" cyclists with such severe traffic islands.

Following a full discussion, and questions from the Board to the residents and Council officers, the Board **decided** to facilitate a meeting, between residents, Council engineers, and the two High Schools to discuss this issue.

The meeting was set down for Wednesday 10 April 2002.