

2. PETITION

Paul Hurst, local businessman and resident, presented a petition from residents.

The prayer of the petition read:

"We, the undersigned, respectfully petition the Council to reposition the pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Main North Road and Daniels Road to its former site. We believe its current site is detrimental to road safety and local businesses in that it requires pedestrians to cross two roads in order to reach the businesses at this intersection."

Paul spoke to the Board regarding safety issues and stated that businesses had been harmed since Transit New Zealand had shifted the pedestrian crossing. He stated that it was now necessary for pedestrians, mostly elderly, to cross two roads to get to the shops and most were now going to the garage to purchase small items. He also said that although the reason given for the relocation of the pedestrian crossing was to improve pedestrian safety, pedestrians who use the crossing considered that there had been no improvement as a result of the relocation.

The Chair advised that Board members had visited the site with Council staff and representatives from Transit New Zealand. Transit New Zealand have carried out this work without consulting residents.

The Board **received** the petition. The Board requested that the City Streets Unit report on the pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Main North Road and Daniels Road and that this report and petition be forwarded to Transit New Zealand.