

### 13. KILMARNOCK STREET TRAFFIC MARKINGS

The City Streets Manager sought Board approval to the upgrading of the traffic markings on the Kilmarnock Street approach to the Straven Road intersection.

Traffic markings were updated last year along the whole length of Kilmarnock Street, except for the approach portion; this was left awaiting the redevelopment plans for the intersection. Those plans are now at a stage which allows the unit to plan the integration of the Kilmarnock Street approach. The proposed markings will reduce the congestion levels near the Straven Road intersection by relocating the existing bus stop on the northern side of Kilmarnock Street further from the intersection. The primary reason for this change is to provide more road space the minimum extra distance possible away from the intersection whilst still being able to create enough space for a cycle lane and vehicle lane. The closer to the intersection the bus stop is located the better it provides for its users.

The proposal also provides upgraded cycle lanes that match current best practice standards used on the remainder of the street and an advanced cycle stop box at the intersection. The owners of the two properties immediately adjacent to the relocated bus stop (property number 60) and the extension of the no parking restrictions up to it (property number 62) have been informed of the proposal.

Whilst property owners at the proposed bus stop relocation site have objected to the extra noise it will generate, this site is considered to be the most optimal in balancing the ideal catchment position with the need to ensure there is adequate width for all traffic to pass it safely and efficiently.

Members sought a second option, with respect to the location of the bus stop; that being discussions with the owners of number 58 Kilmarnock Street (rather than place the bus stop outside a property where the owners have objected) and seek their agreement to the placement.

The Board, therefore, **resolved** that City Streets staff be asked to consult with the owners of number 58 Kilmarnock Street for the possible location of the new bus stop; if negotiations are not successful, the Board then agrees to siting the bus stop outside 68 Kilmarnock Street.

This resolution was **passed** on division 1, by five votes to three votes, the voting being:

In Favour (5): Peter Laloli, Helen Broughton, Ken Cummings, Neville Bennett and Paddy Austin.

Against (3): Lesley Keast, Ishwar Ganda and Mike Mora.