

6. BUS STOPS HEARINGS PANEL

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval to recommendations relating to the location of bus stops on Dyers Pass Road.

BACKGROUND

At its 29 June 2004 meeting, the Board considered a report recommending the placement of bus stops on the extended route on Dyers Pass Road and Bowenvale Avenue. Due to the number of residents seeking speaking rights regarding the proposed location of bus stops, the Board established a hearings panel to meet and hear residents' concerns.

The panel met on 28 July 2004 and heard the views of 20 residents, together with receiving an update from Environment Canterbury staff regarding feedback sought on the Bowenvale Avenue route and terminus.

The panel met again on 6 August 2004 to consider all the issues presented and make its final recommendations to the Board (see attached). The main issues were in regard to the consultation process and a perception regarding safety; and possible solutions have been suggested in the panel's recommendations regarding safety issues.

In regard to the Bowenvale Avenue proposed stops and route, because of restrictions on the turning point at the end of Bowenvale Avenue, the panel supported Environment Canterbury's further investigation of the route. It was noted that this matter will come back to the Board for consideration in due course.

Staff

Recommendation: That the Board adopt the recommendations of its Bus Stops Hearings Panel as follows:

1. That a bus stop be installed on the north east side of Dyers Pass Road commencing at a point 24 metres from its intersection with Whareora Terrace and extending in a south easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (57 Dyers Pass Road).
2. That a bus stop be installed on the south east side of Dyers Pass Road commencing at a point 33 metres from its intersection with Kidson Terrace and extending in a south westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (73-77 Dyers Pass Road).
3. That a bus stop be installed on the west side of Dyers Pass Road commencing at a point 36 metres from its intersection with Whisby Road and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (78A Dyers Pass Road).
4. That a bus stop be installed on the west side of Dyers Pass Road commencing at a point 15 metres from its intersection with Hackthorne Road and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (126 Hackthorne Road).
5. That a bus stop be installed on the north east side of Dyers Pass Road commencing at a point 27 metres from its intersection with Westenra Terrace and extending in a south easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (117-119 Dyers Pass Road).
6. That the Board write to tour bus companies asking if drivers could consider using Hackthorne Road instead of the Dyers Pass Road route.
7. That the Board ask Environment Canterbury to investigate the possibility of using a smaller bus to link with the Dyers Pass Road route, eg a mini bus on the hill routes to link with the bigger buses on the flat.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the staff recommendation be supported.