

4. NEW BUS STOP LOCATIONS

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The purpose of this report is to update the Board of changes to bus stop locations on various roads in the Board's area following Environment Canterbury changes to bus services. The Board is asked to approve the creation of three new permanent bus stops as a result of the Northwest and Southern bus service reviews.

BACKGROUND

As a result of the Northwest and Southern bus service reviews, and after extensive public consultation, Environment Canterbury made changes to the service network which began on 8 June 2004. These include new routes and extensions/alterations to existing routes.

In conjunction with the changes, the Christchurch City Council is required to provide bus stops to enable the various services to operate in an effective and efficient manner.

NORTHWEST AND SOUTHERN BUS SERVICE REVIEW

Additional bus stops were required for new and altered routes that now run along streets not serviced by the previous routes. A total of 18 new stops were required in the Waimairi Ward.

The stops have been located to maximise access to the surrounding catchment area while allowing the bus to travel as freely as possible and to stop a minimum number of times. The distance between the new bus stops will be convenient for bus patrons.

This report deals with three bus stops recommended to the Board on 21 May 2004 and passed as temporary bus stops pending further consultation. This will resolve all the bus stops previously installed as temporary stops in the Waimairi ward.

Agreement has been gained from a number of property owners to establish permanent bus stops in parts of Wairakei Road, Sir William Pickering Drive and Roydvale Avenue, as noted in the recommendations below. It is recommended that these (3) bus stops now be approved.

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Recommendation: That bus stops be installed in the following locations:

1. On the north side of Wairakei Road commencing at a point 108 metres from its intersection with Russley Road and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (750 Wairakei Road).
2. On the southwest side of Roydvale Avenue commencing at a point 26 metres from its intersection with Juniper Place and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (103 Roydvale Avenue, Airport Lodge Motel).
3. On the west side of Sir William Pickering Drive commencing at a point 425 metres from its intersection with Sheffield Crescent and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 17 metres (14 Sir William Pickering Drive).

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Recommendation: That the above recommendations be adopted.