

5. ORBITER SERVICE REVIEW

Advice has been received from Environment Canterbury that the review of the Orbiter service has been completed.

ECan's Matthew Noon has written to the Board advising that:

"In response to requests from the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board and other public feedback, we undertook an in-depth analysis of the potential to include Bishopdale Mall on the Orbiter route.

This analysis (undertaken by an independent consultant) assessed the potential impacts of a route change on the following criteria:

- Existing Users;*
- Patronage Attractors;*
- Patronage Generation;*
- Costs; and*
- Orbiter Integrity*

Upon evaluation, it was found that the overall costs of a route change would outweigh any benefits that may accrue through servicing Bishopdale Mall and the surrounding area.

I would like to make it clear however, that this does not preclude future potential changes, however Bishopdale Mall as a current attractor is not significant enough to compromise the extremely successful Orbiter service."

Staff

Recommendation: That the information be received.