

7. NEW BUS STOP LOCATIONS

Officer responsible Network Operations Team Leader	Author Tim Taylor, DDI 941-8946
--	---

The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of changes to bus stop locations on various roads in the Board's area following Environment Canterbury reviews of bus services. The Board is asked to approve the creation of 9 new bus stops, the removal of 13 redundant bus stops and the creation of 12 temporary bus stops as a result of the Northwest and Southern bus service reviews.

BACKGROUND

As a result of the Northwest and Southern bus service review, and after extensive public consultation, Environment Canterbury is making changes to the service network. These include new routes and extensions/alterations to existing routes.

As a result of 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. In order to undertake this, the following proposed bus stops are recommended in this report.

BUS STOPS

Additional bus stops are required for new and altered routes that run along streets not serviced by the existing routes. A total of 19 new stops are required in the Wigram Ward and 2 in the Riccarton Ward.

There are 13 bus stops in the Wigram Ward which will no longer be served by any bus routes.

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.

CONSULTATION

In locating new stops, The Christchurch City Council investigates a number of locations to assess suitability. It consults as a courtesy the property owner adjacent to a suitable location. It is preferred to locate stops where agreement has been gained from the property owner. However, where this has not happened a decision and recommendation has to be made as to what is the best location for all parties; bus users, potential bus users, motorists, residents and the bus operator.

Agreement has been gained from a number of property owners to establish permanent bus stops in parts of Dunbars Road, Westlake Drive, Halswell Road, Nicholls Road, Woodside Common and Sedgewick Way. It is recommended that these (10) bus stops be approved.

Where agreement has not yet been reached with property owners it is recommended that temporary bus stops be installed in order for the service to commence operation on 8 June 2004. The Transport and City Streets Unit will continue to consult on gaining acceptance of permanent bus stops on these roads. Where acceptance is not forthcoming the people concerned will be invited to express their viewpoint to the Board at a future meeting.

CONCLUSION

The Transport and City Streets Unit has consulted on the establishment of various bus stops required for the Environment Canterbury review of bus services in the Northwest and Southern areas of the City.

Where acceptance for bus stop locations has been obtained from property owners it is recommended that the bus stops be installed. Where agreement has, to date, not been forthcoming, the Transport and City Streets Unit is recommending that temporary bus stops be installed and further consultation be undertaken with the property owners involved.

If these actions are taken the Council's responsibility to provide infrastructure for the new bus route will have been fulfilled.

The Transport and City Streets Unit will ensure that the Board is kept informed of progress on selecting permanent locations for bus stops in the areas where temporary bus stops have been established. It is anticipated that the Board will be required to arbitrate on the final recommended locations for these bus stops.

Staff

Recommendation:

- A. That bus stops be installed in the following locations:
1. That a bus stop be installed on the north east side of Dunbars Road commencing at a point 6 metres from its intersection with Balkwell Street and extending in a north westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (60 Dunbars Road).
 2. That a bus stop be installed on the north east side of Dunbars Road commencing at a point 24 metres from its intersection with Lancewood Drive and extending in a south easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (128 Dunbars Road).
 3. That a bus stop be installed on the south east side of Westlake Drive commencing at a point 8 metres from its intersection with Lancewood Drive and extending in a south westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (11 Westlake Drive).
 4. That a bus stop be installed on the south west side of Halswell Road commencing at a point 244 metres from its intersection with Nicholls Road and extending in a south easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (374 Halswell Road).
 5. That a bus stop be installed on the north east side of Halswell Road commencing at a point 222 metres from its intersection with Nicholls Road and extending in a south easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (Halswell Aquatic Centre).
 6. That a bus stop be installed on the south east side of Nicholls Road commencing at a point 39 metres from its intersection with Halswell Road and extending in a south westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (344 Halswell Road).
 7. That a bus stop be installed on the north west side of Nicholls Road commencing at a point 71 metres from its intersection with Halswell Road and extending in a south westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (2 Nicholls Road).
 8. That a bus stop be installed on the north side of Woodside Common commencing at a point 157 metres from its intersection with Clovelly Place and extending in a easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (22 Woodside Common).
 9. That a bus stop be installed on the south side of Sedgwick Way commencing at a point 40 metres from its intersection with Woodside Common and extending in a easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (Sedgwick Reserve).
- B. That the following bus stops be removed:
1. In front of 29 Halswell Junction Road.
 2. In front of 57 Halswell Junction Road.
 3. In front of 54 Nicholls Road.
 4. In front of 112 Sparks Road.
 5. In front of 132 Sparks Road.
 6. Opposite 169 Sparks Road.
 7. In front of 243 Sparks Road.
 8. Opposite 247 Sparks Road.
 9. In front of 162 Hendersons Road.
 10. Opposite 162 Hendersons Road.
 11. In front of 21 Woodside Common.
 12. In front of 1 Woodside Common.
 13. In front of 10 Sedgwick Way.

- C. That temporary bus stops be installed in the following locations:
1. On the south west side of Dunbars Road adjacent to number 49 Dunbars Road.
 2. On the south west side of Dunbars Road adjacent to number 81A Dunbars Road.
 3. On the south west side of Dunbars Road adjacent to number 109 Dunbars Road.
 4. On the south west side of Halswell Road adjacent to number 436 Halswell Road.
 5. On the north east side of Dunbars Road adjacent to number 160 Dunbars Road.
 6. On the north side of Penruddock Rise adjacent to numbers 66 and 68 Penruddock Rise.
 7. On the west side of Woodside Common adjacent to number 8 Woodside Common.
 8. On the south east side of Wales Street adjacent to number 77 Santa Rosa Avenue.
 9. On the north west side of Wales Street adjacent to number 165 Wales Street.
 10. On the east side of Clyde Road adjacent to number 26 Clyde Road.
 11. On the west side of Clyde Road adjacent to number 21 Clyde Road.
 12. On the north east side of Halswell Road adjacent to number 10 Village Lane.