

9. LONG-TERM COUNCIL COMMUNITY PLAN 2004 – 2014, PAPANUI/ SHIRLEY WARDS RESIDENTS SUBMISSIONS

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The purpose of this report is to advise the Board of submissions made to the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2004-2014 by residents in the Shirley and Papanui Wards and which were referred to the Board for consideration.

The following three submissions have been referred to the Board:

1. Tennis facilities and other related sports facilities to be provided in Northwood Park.

This submission is in the form of a petition signed by 55 residents.

The prayer of the petition reads: "We, the residents of Northwood hereby submit our petition for tennis facilities and any other related sports facilities such as basketball, soccer, etc. to be put in place in Northwood Park for the use of our rapidly growing community."

By way of clarification the submission advises that the provision of these facilities were indicated in the subdivision developers concept plan.

Unit Response: Tennis courts need to be prioritised alongside other recreation facilities and planned on a city wide scale to ensure they are evenly spread and are located to best meet the needs of the whole community. There are tennis courts available close by at Sheldon Park where the Belfast Tennis club is no longer operational, due to the lack of membership. There are also private facilities available at the Styx Mill Country club. Further research is required to prioritise recreational needs of the area.

2. Intersection improvements, Cavendish Road and Grampian Street

This submission is from Mr T Drake, a resident of Grampian Street. The submission (see attached) details a history of his concerns about the changes to this intersection and promotes his suggestions for improvements.

Unit Response: No response was attached.

3. Shirley Residents Group - Sabina Street/Hercules Street and Hammersley Avenue kerb and channel issues

The Council advises: A report on the Sabina Street/Hercules Street and Hammersley Avenue kerb and channel issues will be completed for the consideration of the Shirley/Papanui Community Board. If the work is not included in the current City Street programme the Board has been asked to give consideration to a possible substitution.

Unit Response: No response was attached.

Staff

- Recommendation:**
1. That the Greenspace staff prepare a report on the costs involved in providing and maintaining a tennis court in Northwood Park for consideration by the Board when allocating the 2005/06 Project Funds. The report to include the Unit's comments on the advisability of providing this facility at this time.
 2. That the Board forward the submission from Mr Drake (Cavendish/Grampian intersection improvements) to the Transport and City Streets unit for comment.
 3. That, subject to the report from the Transport and City Streets Unit, the Board give consideration to the possible substitution of the kerb and channel works in Sabina, Hercules and Hammersley in the annual round of the substitutions process as provided by the Transport and City Streets unit.

**Chairperson's
Recommendation:**

1. That the Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson meet with the Belfast/Northwood Resident's Association and submitters of the petition to discuss recreational facilities in the area and the use of the Belfast tennis courts.
2. **Grampian Street/Cavendish Road Intersection:**
 1. That the Transport and City Streets Unit provide a report to the Board on the following options:
 - a. Rumble strips be installed
 - b Give Way signs to be put up on Grampian Street.
 2. That Police be asked to carry out enforcement on speed on Friday and Saturday nights in the Grampian/Cavendish area.
3. **Kerb and Channel works in Sabina, Hercules and Hammersley:**

That the Board request that these works be included in the Long Term Council Community Plan.