

## 6. NEW BUS SHELTER LOCATION

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### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval on locations for new bus shelters.

### BACKGROUND

2. In 1998 a joint initiative between Environment Canterbury and the Christchurch City Council saw the development of the Public Passenger Transport Strategy (1998). The strategy sets out a programme of improvements designed to dramatically improve public transport services in Christchurch. Among other things, these improvements include a target of 500 bus shelters to be installed by June 2006.

### BUS SHELTERS

3. Under s339 of the Local Government Act (1974), the Council has the right to erect a shelter on footpaths of any road subject to a number of considerations. One of these considerations is giving a formal notice to the occupier and owner of land likely to be affected by the erection of the shelter, and giving them an opportunity to formally object.
4. The options available to the Board are to either approve the locations and give staff the approval to issue the formal notice to the owners and occupiers of the properties, or to decline the request, which will mean that staff will need to find another location.

### CONSULTATION

5. Initial consultation has been undertaken with the owners and occupiers of the following properties for the erection of a bus shelter. The table identifies the locations where approval has been gained, and the locations where approval has not been gained.

<b>Location</b>	<b>Owner/Occupier Approval</b>	<b>Owner/Occupier Objection</b>
27 Amyes Road	✓	
38 Amyes Road		✓
87 Amyes Road		✓
Main South Road (Riccarton High School)	✓	
Main South Road (Riccarton Primary School)	✓	
School Road (Halswell Primary School)	✓	
99 Yaldhurst Road	✓	
153 Yaldhurst Road	✓	

### FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. Should the site be approved, it will be offered as a suitable location for an Adshel shelter. If accepted, there would be no cost to the Council. If Adshel do not accept the site, then the cost to the Council would be \$10,000 which will be met within existing budgets.
7. Under s339 of the Local Government Act (1974), the Council may erect on the footpath of any road a shelter for use by intending public-transport passengers or taxi passengers, provided that no such shelter may be erected so as to unreasonably prevent access to any land having a frontage to the road.
8. The Council is required to give notice, in writing, to the occupier and owner of the property likely to be injuriously affected by the erection of the shelter, and shall not proceed with the erection of the shelter until after the expiration of the time for objecting against the proposal or, in the event of an objection, until after the objection has been determined.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Community Board:

- (a) Approve the installation of bus shelters at the following bus stops where approval has been gained from the owner and occupier:
  - (i) 27 Amyes Road
  - (ii) Main South Road (Riccarton High School)
  - (iii) Main South Road (Riccarton Primary School)
  - (iv) School Road (Halswell Primary School)
  - (v) 99 Yaldhurst Road
  - (vi) 153 Yaldhurst Road
- (b) Authorise staff to issue the appropriate notices in terms of s339 of the Local Government Act (1974) to 38 and 87 Amyes Road.

## **CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION**

That the staff recommendations be adopted.