

4. NEW BUS STOP LOCATIONS

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of changes to bus stop locations and the removal of temporary bus stops created on various roads in the Board's area. The Board is also asked to approve the creation of seven new bus stops and the removal of six redundant bus stops, five of which are temporary bus stops.

BACKGROUND ON NEW BUS STOPS LOCATION

2. As a result of extensive public consultation in 2004, Environment Canterbury made changes to the Northwest and Southern bus services. As a result of the changes, the Christchurch City Council was required to provide bus stops to enable the various services to operate in an effective and efficient manner.
3. In May 2004 the Board approved the creation of 12 temporary bus stops to accommodate the changed services. This report recommends permanent locations for the final five of those bus stops. All others have had permanent locations identified and approved by the Board.
4. All of the new bus stops have been located to maximise access to the surrounding catchment area while allowing buses to travel as freely as possible and to stop a minimum number of times. The distance between the stops will be convenient for bus patrons.

CONSULTATION

5. In locating new stops, the Christchurch City Council investigates a number of locations to assess suitability. It consults 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 and residents.
6. Agreement has been gained from a number of property owners to establish permanent bus stops in parts of Dunbars Road, Halswell Road, Woodside Common and Sedgwick Way. It is recommended that these five bus stops be approved.
7. Agreement has not been reached with the property owner(s) of 93 and 117 Dunbars Road. Nevertheless it is recommended that these two bus stops be approved. (The owners have been advised that they are able to express their viewpoints to the Board at this meeting).

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

8. One "Metro" sign at \$1,000 each installed, to be met within existing budgets.
9. Land Transport Rules Traffic Control Devices 2004 provides for the erection of bus stop signs.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

- (a) It is recommended that the Community Board approve seven new bus stops in the following locations:
 - (i) On the south side of Dunbars Road commencing at the western boundary of 39 Dunbars Road and extending in a easterly direction for 12 metres.
 - (ii) On the south side of Dunbars Road commencing at the western boundary of 93 Dunbars Road and extending in a easterly direction for 12 metres.
 - (iii) On the south side of Dunbars Road commencing at a point 6 metres from the western boundary of 117 Dunbars Road and extending in a easterly direction of 12 metres.

- (iv) On the west side of Halswell Road commencing at the northern boundary of 440 Halswell Road and extending in a southerly direction for 12 metres.
 - (v) On the north side of Sedgwick Way commencing at the eastern boundary of 16 Sedgwick Way and extending in a westerly direction for 12 metres.
 - (vi) On the south side of Woodside Common commencing at a point 6 metres from the south western boundary of 1 Woodside Common and extending in a north easterly direction for 12 metres.
 - (vii) On the south side of Woodside Common commencing at the western boundary of 21 Woodside Common and extending in a easterly direction for 12 metres.
- (b) It is recommended that the Community Board approve the removal of six redundant bus stops in the following locations:
- (i) 47 Dunbars Road
 - (ii) 81A Dunbars Road
 - (iii) 109 Dunbars Road
 - (iv) 8 Woodside Common
 - (v) 436 Halswell Road
 - (vi) 15 Sedgwick Way

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the officer's recommendation be supported.