

4. NEW BUS STOP LOCATION

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of new bus stop locations required in the Board's area following Environment Canterbury reviews of bus services. The Board is asked to approve the creation of two new bus stops.

BACKGROUND

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

4. Additional bus stops are required for the altered number 24 route which now travels along a portion of Merrin Street which was not already being serviced by another route. A total of two new stops are required in the Fendalton/Waimairi ward.
5. 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 stops will be convenient for bus patrons.

CONSULTATION

6. In locating new stops, the 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.
7. Agreement has been gained from the owners of 30 Merrin Street and the Avonhead Mall to establish permanent bus stops outside these properties.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Costs

8. Two "Metro" signs at \$1,000 each installed met within existing budgets.

Legal

9. Land Transport Rules Traffic Control Devices 2004 provides for the erection of bus stop signs.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Board approve the installation of two bus stops in the following locations:

- (a) On the south side of Merrin Street adjacent to the Avonhead Mall.
- (b) On the north side of Merrin Street adjacent to 30 Merrin Street.