

## 12. NEW BUS STOP LOCATION

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### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to obtain the Board's approval to the creation of two new bus stops now required following Environment Canterbury's review of bus services.

### BACKGROUND

2. As a result of the north-west and southern bus service review, and after extensive public consultation, Environment Canterbury has now made changes to its service network. These changes have included new routes and extensions/alterations to existing routes.
3. The resulting changes now require the Christchurch City Council 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.

### BUS STOPS

4. Additional bus stops are required for the altered number 15 route which now travels down Bowenvale Avenue and was not already being serviced by another route. A total of two new stops are required in the Spreydon/Heathcote 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 Christchurch City Council investigates a number of locations to assess suitability. As a courtesy, it consults the property owner adjacent to a suitable location. It is preferred to locate stops where agreement has been obtained from the property owner.
7. Agreement has been obtained from the owner of 26 Bowenvale Avenue to establish a permanent bus stop outside the property.
8. The second stop is located adjacent to Sunvale Reserve.

### FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. Two "Metro" signs at \$1,000 each (installed) can be met from within existing budgets.
7. Land Transport Rules Traffic Control Devices 2004 provides for the erection of bus stop signs.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

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

- (a) On the eastern side of Bowenvale Avenue, adjacent to 21 Bowenvale Avenue (Sunvale Reserve).
- (b) On the western side of Bowenvale Avenue, adjacent to 26 Bowenvale Avenue.

### CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendations be adopted.

Given the long delay in locating these signs since the bus route was changed, they should be erected immediately.