

4. WORKS, TRAFFIC AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE – REPORT OF 19 SEPTEMBER 2005

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The purpose of this report is to submit the following outcomes of the Committee's 19 September 2005 meeting.

**Report of a meeting of the Works, Traffic and Environment Committee
held on Monday 19 September 2005 at 8.00 am
in Meeting Room 1, CCC Fendalton**

PRESENT: Cheryl Colley (Chairman), Sally Buck, Faimeh Burke, Val Carter, Pat Harrow, Mike Wall and Andrew Yoon.

1. APOLOGIES

Nil.

2. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

2.1 Donald Place – Kerb and Channel Renewal

Mr Gordon Whale of the St Albans-Merivale Bowling Club indicated that the Club was in agreement with the content of the staff report and that the recommendation, if adopted by the Board, would be acceptable to the Club.

Mr Simon Hall of 53 St Albans Street addressed the Committee on behalf of Donald Place residents and reiterated their strong support for the original plan as it included aesthetic and amenity advantages over the subsequently modified plan now being presented to the Board.

Mr Hall tabled various visual representations of how the street could look with additional plantings being provided.

Members asked various questions of both deputation representatives and the staff.

The Chairman thanked the representatives for their submissions and the Committee then proceeded to consider the staff report on the matter.

From the ensuing discussion, it was concluded that further investigations should be done to accommodate the wishes of both the bowling club and the local residents particularly in relation to landscaping aspects.

In this regard, specific mention was made of perhaps the bowling club providing further landscaping along their property frontage, trees being provided at the intersection threshold with St Albans Street, more on street planting but taking into account any impacts for on street parking, and of residents undertaking further plantings within their own properties.

Having received the submissions, the Committee agreed that the matters highlighted above be further considered by the staff along with the bowling club and local residents prior to being reported back to the Board possibly in November.

2.2 Fendalton Road – No 'U-Turn' at Holmwood Road

Mr Gary Diack of No. 33 Fendalton Road spoke on behalf of local residents indicating endorsement for the proposed recommendation that the ban on 'U-turn' movements at the Fendalton Road/Holmwood Road be revoked.

Mr Diack reiterated various points covered in the staff report that had been raised at the on-site meeting with residents on 19 August 2005.

The Chairman thanked Mr Diack for his submission.

The Committee considered the accompanying staff report with it being noted that the option of cutting back the central median to allow safer 'U-turn' manoeuvres to occur, was on the basis of cost, no longer being recommended as a priority for funding.

Members felt that traffic safety considerations should be the dominant consideration.

The presence of existing cycleways was also mentioned including their impact on vehicle sweep paths if the option of making changes to the central median was to proceed.

Staff noted that at its meeting on 6 September, the Board had granted the Committee power to act to review the Board's earlier decision on the no u-turn restriction at the intersection.

The Committee **resolved** that the ban on u-turns, for vehicles travelling in a south easterly direction on Fendalton Road at the Holmwood Road intersection, be revoked.

Sally Buck **moved**, seconded by Faimeh Burke "that the Council be asked to consider funding the approximate cost of \$41,000 being the Board's preferred option to modify the central island to enable safe u-turn manoeuvres to be undertaken at the Fendalton Road/Holmwood Road intersection".

When put to the meeting, the motion was declared **carried** on division number 1, by four votes to three, the voting being as follows:

For (4): Faimeh Burke, Sally Buck, Val Carter, Andrew Yoon.

Against (3): Cheryl Colley, Pat Harrow, Mike Wall

3. INFORMATION - UPDATES

The Committee **received** updates from staff on the following:

- Clyde/Medbury at Waimairi Stream Project
- Daresbury Reserve – Upgrade
- Chislehurst Place

With regard to the concept plan for the Darsbury Reserve, staff were asked to incorporate into the plan, suitable bog plant species along the Waimairi Stream margins of the reserve and to also mention in the consultation plan the lamp lighting and seating styles proposed.

The Committee also **agreed** that an opportunity be extended to Mr Bruce Rogerson of Chislehurst Place to address the Board on the residents' desire for further no stopping restrictions in the street.

The meeting concluded at 9.30 am.

CHAIRMAN'S RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and the recommendations therein be approved and adopted.