

9. NEW BUS SHELTER LOCATIONS

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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 set 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 Section 339 of the Local Government Act (1974) the Council may erect a shelter on footpaths of any road subject to a number of considerations. One of those 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 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 following table identifies locations for which approval has been gained and which approval has not been gained.

Location	Owner/ Occupier Approval	Owner/Occupier Objection	No response from Owner/Occupier to Initial Consultation
10 Bassett Street			✓
13 Bassett Street			✓
430 Bower Avenue			✓
53 Gayhurst Road	✓		
60 Gayhurst Road		✓	
163 Keyes Road	✓		
497 Mairehau Road			✓
42 Marine Parade		✓	
176 Marshland Road	✓		
88 Marshland Road	✓		
150 New Brighton Road			✓
Opp 339 New Brighton Road	✓		
330 Estuary Road		✓	
391 Pages Road	✓		
84 Pages Road			✓
209 Rocking Horse Road			✓
74 Wainoni Road		✓	
Opp 74 Wainoni Road	✓		
Opp 191 New Brighton Road	✓		

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Costs

6. Should the site be approved the site 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.

Legal

7. Under Section 339 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. The Council is required to give notice in writing to the occupier and owner of 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 Board:

1. Approve the installation of bus shelters at the following bus stops where approval has been gained from the owner and occupier:

53 Gayhurst Road
163 Keyes Road
176 Marshland Road
88 Marshland Road
Opp 339 New Brighton Road
391 Pages Road
Opp 74 Wainoni Road
Opp 191 Wainoni Road
2. Authorise staff to issue the appropriate notices in terms of Section 339 of the Local Government Act (1974).

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the abovementioned recommendations be adopted.