

## 6. DOVEDALE AVENUE – NEW BUS SHELTER LOCATION

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<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Transport & Greenspace Manager
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### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to provide the Board with information concerning the provision of a new bus shelter proposed to be located at Number 5 Dovedale Avenue and to enable the Board to consider funding the installation of a bus shelter at this location.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Bus patrons have requested that the Council provide a bus shelter along the street frontage of Number 5 Dovedale Avenue, for Ilam Bus Route Number 21.
3. The College of Education and the density of accommodation and housing in this area generate a high volume of bus patrons. Installing shelters at this and other locations along the bus route would be appropriate.
4. The Transport and Greenspace Unit's operational budget does not contain financial provision for the construction and installation of shelters for the current financial year.
5. Agreement has not been gained from the owners of the property situated at Number 5 Dovedale Avenue to install a bus shelter in front of their property. At this stage this site is an empty section and although plans have been submitted to the Council for redevelopment, this has not proceeded to committed construction. The current status appears to be suspended. Ownership of the site may be changeable.
6. Proceeding with the installation of a bus shelter anywhere along the road frontage at this location would appear to be not prudent prior to the adjoining property owner's commitment to a substantial and specific development programme on the site.

### FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. The Council is empowered under Section 339 of the Local Government Act to direct installation of public transport infrastructure within the legal road. To exercise the power of the Council, a hearings panel would hear and determine objections and make a decision.
8. Should the Board recommend the installation of a shelter at this time, the Council would be required to have a suitable shelter constructed and erected on the site. The overall cost for a Council shelter would be around \$15,000 which would have to be met from the Board's budget.

### OPTIONS

9. The Board could recommend the installation of a shelter at Number 5 Dovedale Avenue and allocate funding for its construction and erection, providing that there is not a conflict with the position of the private development on the adjoining site.
10. The Board could recommend the installation of a shelter at Number 5 Dovedale Avenue, provided that the Council approves funding from its 2008/09 budget, providing that there is not a conflict with the position of the private development on the adjoining site.
11. The Board does not recommend the installation of a shelter at Number 5 Dovedale Avenue.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board recommends to the Council that a bus shelter be installed at Number 5 Dovedale Avenue provided that the Council approves funding from its 2008/09 budget, providing that there is not a conflict with the position of the private development on the adjoining site (Option 10).