

23. HAGLEY AVENUE – PROPOSED BUS STOP

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the Board to install a bus stop on the south east side of Hagley Avenue opposite the Netball Courts. (Refer **Attachments 1 and 2**)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Transport and Greenspace Unit has a kerb and channel renewal project in Grove Road and as part of this project the bus stops on the Number 19 route have been rationalised.
3. In Grove Road there are a pair of bus stops between Moorhouse Avenue and the railway crossing and another pair south of Harman Street.
4. In Hagley Avenue there is an in-bound bus stop at the Netball Courts and no out-bound bus stop. The out-bound bus stop is across the Moorhouse Avenue intersection on either Lincoln Road or Grove Road depending on the chosen bus route.
5. Removing the pair of bus stops in Grove Road between Moorhouse Avenue and the railway crossing allows an increase in parking in Grove Road of five (5) parking spaces but still provides a good passenger bus service.
6. A large development on the intersection of Harman Street and Grove Road will eventually result in traffic signals being installed at the Harman Street/Lincoln Road intersection. This could result in changes to the bus route and possible closure of the railway crossing to vehicular traffic.
7. As part of the rationalisation and future roading changes, there is a need for an out-bound bus stop in Hagley Avenue.
8. At present to the south of a kerb build-out, there is a P5 loading zone outside number 438 Hagley Avenue opposite the Netball Courts. This is also the site of a child care facility. Following consultation with the child care facility, it was agreed to place the bus stop in the position of the P5 loading zone and replace two car parks to the north of the build-out with a new P5 loading zone.
9. Though this will result in the loss of two car parks in Hagley Avenue, however this will be off set by the gain of five (5) parking spaces in Grove Road.
10. The Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board at its meeting on Tuesday 7 August 2007 approved the Grove Road kerb and channel project to proceed to final design, tender, and construction, and resolved that the two bus stops in Grove Road be removed on condition that an out-bound bus stop is installed in Hagley Avenue.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

11. These road marking alterations and the installation of the bus stop will be part of the work that is to be undertaken in Grove Road.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

12. As above.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

13. A number of traffic resolutions will require amendment or addition to the Christchurch City Traffic and Bylaw 1991. These are detailed later in paragraph 21 below.

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

14. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

15. The Grove Road project aligns with the street renewal capital works programme, as detailed on page 85 of the 2006-16 LTCCP.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?

16. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

17. This project is consistent with key Council strategies including the Parking Strategy, Pedestrian Strategy, and Road Safety strategy.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

18. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

19. The Child Care Centre is considered the only persons directly affected by the proposal and they agreed to the alterations. Discussions were held with Environment Canterbury in relation to the possible future alterations to the bus route and it was their recommendation that an out-bound bus stop be placed in Hagley Avenue.

20. Consultation was undertaken with the Netball Association as part of the wide consultation on the Grove Road project and they had no concerns.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board approve the following traffic restrictions:

New bus stop:

- That a bus stop be installed on the southeast side of Hagley Avenue commencing at a point 70 metres from its intersection with Moorhouse Avenue and extending in a northeast direction for a distance of 18 metres.

Remove existing parking restriction:

- That the parking of vehicles (restricted to five minutes) be revoked from the southeast side of Hagley Avenue at its present position commencing at a point 120 metres from its intersection with Moorhouse Avenue and extending 18 metres in a northeast direction.

New parking restriction:

- That the parking of vehicles be restricted to a maximum of five minutes on the northeast side of Hagley Avenue commencing at a point 170 metres from its intersection with Moorhouse Avenue and extending 12 metres in a northeast direction.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATIONS

For discussion.