LOWER STYX ROAD - IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW PROHIBITED TIMES ON ROADS

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's recommendation to the Council to approve the new times and days for Lower Styx Road on the "Register of Prohibited Times On Roads" ("Register").

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. At the Council meeting held on 22 April 2010, it was resolved that the existing "Prohibited Times on Road" be reassessed into the two categories presented at the meeting (refer **Attachment 2**, paragraph (d)).
- 3. The Police are supportive of the tool that the Traffic and Parking Bylaw provides them with to control anti-social road user behaviour on roads that have been identified as "problem" areas. The Police also support consistency throughout the city.
- 4. Prohibited Roads should be categorised into two groups:
 - (a) Group A: Roads that are in industrial areas and have no through traffic function. The days and times are from 10pm to 5am, seven days a week;
 - (b) Group B: Rural roads that are of a residential nature and/or have some through traffic function. The days and times are from 10pm to 5am, Thursday to Monday, from 10pm on days immediately preceding statutory holidays to 5am on the statutory holiday and from 10pm on the statutory holiday to 5am the following day.
- 5. Lower Styx Road is the only road in the Burwood/Pegasus ward currently on the Register of Prohibited Times on Roads. The current times and days on the Register for Lower Styx Road are from 10pm to 5am, Friday to Monday which differs from the two categories set at the Council meeting on 22 April 2010 and therefore a change is required. Because Lower Styx Road is a ward boundary road staff are seeking recommendations to the Council from both the Burwood/Pegasus and the Shirley/Papanui Community Boards. (Refer Attachment 1.)
- 6. It is the intention of this report to align the times and days for existing prohibitions on roads with those approved by the Council (refer Attachment 2, paragraph d).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. The estimated cost for the replacement signage is \$300.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with current LTCCP budgets?

8. The installation of road signs and markings is provided for within the LTCCP Transport and Greenspace operational budgets.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 9. Clause 15 (1) of the Christchurch City Council Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2008 provides that "The Council may by resolution specify any road or part of a road and the days and times during which motor vehicles weighing less than 3,500 kilograms are prohibited from being used on the road or part of that road or roads".
- 10. The installation of any restriction signs and/or markings must comply with the Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004.

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

11. Yes, as noted in paragraphs 9 and 10.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

12. Yes, aligns with the Transport and Greenspace Unit's activities by contributing to the Council's Community Outcomes of Safety and Community.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the current LTCCP?

13. Yes, this contributes to improving the level of service for safety and access.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

14. Yes, the recommendations align with the Council's Safer Christchurch Strategy and Litter Strategy.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

15. Yes, as noted in paragraph 14 above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

16. New Zealand Police have been informed of the proposal.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board recommend to the Council:

- (a) That the Council resolve that pursuant to the Christchurch City Council Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2008, Part 2, clause 15, motor vehicles weighing less than 3,500 kilograms are prohibited from being operated on the following roads at the following times and days:
 - (i) Lower Styx Road between 10pm and 5am, Thursday to Monday, from 10pm on any day which immediately precedes a statutory holiday to 5am on the statutory holiday and from 10pm on any statutory holiday to 5am the following day.
- (b) That the Council revoke the existing times and days on the Register of Prohibited Times on Roads for Lower Styx Road.