

2. PROPOSED ROAD STOPPING: MONCKS SPUR

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The purpose of this report is to obtain the Council's approval to commence the road stopping procedure for parcels of road land adjoining numbers 178, 183 and 186 Moncks Spur Road. (Refer also to clause 12.2.)

This report was referred to the Board for its consideration and recommendation to the Council as Moncks Spur Road is within the Ferrymead Ward. The Board decided to support the commencement of the road stopping procedure as outlined below.

BACKGROUND

In late 1999 the Council commenced the road stopping procedure to stop parcels of road land adjoining numbers 197 and 207 Moncks Spur Road. These parcels of surplus road land were adjacent to number 183 Moncks Spur Road and opposite numbers 178 and 186 Moncks Spur Road. During that road stopping process the owners of the properties at numbers 183, 178 and 186 Moncks Spur Road requested that Council staff initiate similar processes to enable them to acquire surplus road land.

On June 2003 a report was presented to the Board to consider "the strips of road land that are surplus for road":

- A. outside house numbers 178, 186 and 183;
- B. outside house number 220; and
- C. on the eastern side of Moncks Spur Road (between number 207 and Mt Pleasant Road)

The Board decided:

- 1. To decline to approve the commencement of the road stopping procedures for that portion of Moncks Spur Road shown on the attached plan and outlined above in A and C.
- 2. That a further report be brought back to the Board on that portion of Moncks Spur Road shown on the attached plan and outlined above in B, so that it could be considered in detail for safety reasons.

In reaching the decisions the Board was concerned that no long term plan had been developed for that section of road.

The owner of number 183 has raised concerns with the Council on numerous occasions on issues relating to land drainage, zonings, land developments, adjacent property and disposal of road land and hence this report.

When reaching a decision, the Council needs to take into consideration:

- 1. That the land owners have taken care in maintaining the hedges on the land proposed to be stopped.
- 2. That some of the trees on the land proposed to be stopped are over 50 years old.
- 3. That conflicts with existing planting will occur with more residential activities along this part of the road.
- 4. That staff consider the parcels of road land to be surplus to roading purposes.

Board

- Recommendation:**
- 1. That approval be given for the commencement of the road stopping procedure to stop the parcels of road land outside numbers 178, 183 and 186 Moncks Spur Road.
 - 2. That Council staff and the landowners at numbers 178, 186 and 183 Moncks Spur Road negotiate the exact amount of land to be stopped.
 - 3. That a new valuation be obtained for the parcels of land to be stopped.