HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD COMMUNITY BOARD 11 OCTOBER 2006

A meeting of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board was held on Wednesday 11 October 2006 at 3.00 pm

PRESENT: Bob Todd (Chairperson), David Cox, Anna Crighton, John Freeman,

Yani Johanson and Brendan Smith.

APOLOGIES: An apology for absence was received and accepted from

Brenda Lowe-Johnson.

Anna Crighton retired temporarily from 4.00 pm to 4.16 pm and was

absent for part of clause 6.

The Board reports that:

PART A - MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

1. COLOMBO STREET KERB EXTENSION

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment, DDI 941-8656
Officer responsible:	Transport and Greenspace Unit Manager
Author:	Peter Atkinson, Transport Planner - Central City

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Council's approval to remove two parking spaces and to construct a kerb extension for the purposes of constructing an outdoor dining area on Colombo Street between Kilmore and Peterborough Streets.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. An application has been made by the Mulberry Café and Restaurant to extend the kerbline and enlarge the footpath adjacent to their premises on the eastern side of Colombo Street between Kilmore Street and Peterborough Street, to create an area for "al fresco" dining (see Attachment One). The construction of this kerb extension will remove two parking spaces and is in accordance with the Council's Public Streets Enclosures Policy and Guidelines. The applicant has obtained the written support of all the immediate affected neighbours. The area involved is in the Central City area which is outside the area delegated to the Hagley Ferrymead Community Board for roading. The report was referred to the Board for its recommendation.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

All costs associated with the works to extend the kerbline will be met by the applicant. The
lease of the footpath space is expected to generate an income stream that will offset the loss of
parking revenue from the two parking spaces.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council grant approval to the removal of the two parking spaces, and the application, subject to:

- (a) The introduction of a 'no stopping' parking restriction on the eastern side of Colombo Street commencing at a point 29 metres measured in a southerly direction from a point opposite the southern kerbline of Peterborough Street and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 13 metres.
- (b) All costs associated with the kerb extension being met by the applicant and any furniture placed on street complying with Council Policy.
- (c) The execution by the applicant of the normal form of licence to occupy.

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BOARD RECOMMENDATION

This report was considered by the Hagley Ferrymead Community Board at its meeting on 11 October 2006. The Board expressed concern at the loss of two parking spaces and the possible precedent that approving the application would set in respect to other hospitality businesses in the area.

On being put to the meeting the staff recommendation was declared **lost** on the Chairperson's casting vote. This matter is therefore referred to the Council for a final decision.

BACKGROUND ON THE APPLICATION

- 5. The applicants, who are the proprietors of the Mulberry Café and Restaurant, wish to provide an outdoor seating area similar to that on the western side of Colombo Street at Café Valentinos. They have obtained written approval from all the immediate businesses adjacent to the site on both sides of the road and they are prepared to meet the costs of the works associated with the extension of the kerb. The works are to be done in accordance with the Council's standard specifications.
- 6. The application has met the initial requirements of the policy and now requires approval to progress to the proposed construction.

OPTIONS

7. There are two options: approval of the application or its refusal.

Preferred Option

8. The preferred option is to approve the application. The application meets Council policy and the applicants are prepared to meet all costs. The area where the kerb extensions are proposed is a small pocket in the central city which is establishing its own special character. The proposal provides the opportunity to add to the attractiveness of this entertainment and conference hub. The extension is considered to complement the locality and to provide a positive asset to the Central City.

Maintain the Status Quo

9. If the Council supports this option, it would be inconsistent with the Council's adopted policy view that in the Central City use of/extension of, outdoor seating and tables onto the footpath/roadway be encouraged. Clear reason would be needed to outline why the conforming application is refused. In addition, such a refusal could be considered to cause a lost opportunity for this area.

PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

2. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

3. COMMUNITY BOARD PRINCIPAL ADVISER'S UPDATE

The Board received an update on various Community Board and Council matters.

The Board **resolved** to hold an additional meeting on Thursday 7 December 2006 at 4.00 pm to consider the results of the consultation process on the Brownlee Reserve concept plan.

In addition Ross Herrett, Capital Programmes Manager, Clarrie Pearce, Project Manager and Jeremy Clark, Isthmus Group, provided a Power Point presentation on the City Mall proposed design, explaining the concepts behind the proposed design, how it was arrived at and the significant aspects.

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The proposed timeline for the consultation and approval process was outlined and it was noted that submissions on the plan closed on 20 October 2006.

The Board received the presentation and **decided** to hold a seminar on Thursday 19 October at 3.30 pm to formulate a submission on the City Mall proposed design.

4. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

The following questions were asked by Yani Johanson pursuant to standing orders 4.1.1-4.1.5.

- 4.1 Is it possible to get any traffic counts of Sumner that have been done recently, especially the Wakefield/Nayland Street area?
- 4.2 Is there any work happening on traffic counts at the moment in Sumner, and if so, where?

5. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

Nil.

6. PRESENTATIONS

Mr Miles Dalton and Ms Anne Ginty, from the Ministry of Social Development provided a briefing to the Board on the Enterprising Communities Scheme.

The objectives of the scheme, which is intended to assist community not for profit groups to establish projects that achieve labour market outcomes, were outlined.

In addition information on the focus of the scheme, main themes, funding information and examples of groups previously assisted was provided to the meeting.

The Board **received** the information and thanked the presenters for their informative briefing.

7. UPDATE REPORT- KIMIHIA YOUTH SKILLS TRUST – KIMIHIA ADVENTURE PROGRAMME (KAP)

The Board considered a report from Claire Milne, Community Development Adviser, providing an update, as previously requested, on the Kimihia Adventure Programme.

It noted that an increase in funded places now ensured sufficient income to meet operational costs and salaries for teaching staff, and that the funding allocated by the Board in December 2005 had allowed the programme to operate in 2006.

The Board received the information.

8. TREE REMOVAL – 44 BAY VIEW ROAD, MONCKS BAY

The Board considered a report from Graham Clark, Arborist, Transport and Greenspace Unit, seeking approval for the removal of a large red flowering gum tree on the berm outside 44 Bay View Road. Removal had been sought by the new property owners to allow for a new vehicle crossing.

Removal of the tree was recommended in view of its serious interference with overhead powerlines.

The Board **decided** to defer consideration of this item until after a site visit on 30 October 2006, and requested that no action be taken in the meantime. In addition it was agreed that the Board site visit to Ferrymead scheduled on that day commence at the earlier time of 1.30 pm to allow a visit to this street.

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9. CHRISTCHURCH CITY PROPOSED NEW SPEED LIMITS

The Board considered this report seeking its support to speed limit changes on roads within the Hagley/Ferrymead community. The report was part of the consultation process on speed limit changes being undertaken by Transport and Greenspace Unit staff prior to reporting back to the Council for a final decision.

At the Council meeting on 21 September 2006 the Council resolved that for the purposes of the required consultation "any local community" would also include the Community Board in respect to whose area the roads lie.

Mr Malcolm Taylor, Traffic Engineer, Transport and Greenspace Unit, attended for this item and spoke further to the report.

The Board expressed its concern that the proposed higher speed limits as recommended in the report could lead to a further increase in average speeds on these roads and an increase in accidents.

The staff recommendations were considered individually and on being put to the meeting were decided as follows:

The Board decided to advise the Manager, Transport and Greenspace Unit that it:

- (a) Supported the speed limit on Moorhouse Avenue from Blenheim Road east generally, along Moorhouse Avenue to Lincoln Road being set at 60 km/h.
- (b) Did not support.
 - (i) The speed limit on Harper Avenue from Park Terrace west generally, along Harper Avenue to Deans Avenue, being set at 60 km/h.
 - (ii) The speed limit on Deans Avenue from Harper Avenue south generally, along Deans Avenue to Riccarton Road, being set at 60 km/h.
 - (iii) The speed limit on Riccarton Avenue from Riccarton Road east generally, along Riccarton Avenue to a point measured 100 metres west of the traffic signals at the entrance to the Christchurch Public Hospital, being set at 60 km/h.

Note: The staff recommendation in respect to clause (b)(i) above, seeking an increase in the speed limit on Harper Avenue, from Park Terrace west generally, along Harper Avenue to Deans Avenue to 60 km/h, on being put to the meeting was declared **lost** on division number one by four votes to two, the voting being as follows:

In favour (2) David Cox, Anna Crighton

Against (4) John Freeman, Yani Johansen, Brendan Smith, Bob Todd

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

PART C - REPORT ON DELEGATED DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD

11. CONFIRMATION OF REPORTS

The Board **resolved** that the report of the ordinary Board meeting held on 27 September 2006 be confirmed.

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12. BROMLEY PARK TOILETS AND CHANGING ROOMS UPGRADE

The Board considered this report seeking its approval to the plans for the upgrade of the Bromley Park toilets and changing rooms.

As noted in the report feedback from the consultation process had been positive and no changes were proposed to the original proposal.

The Board **resolved** to approve the plan for the upgrade of the Bromley Park toilets and changing rooms and that the Transport and Greenspace Unit commence the construction programme.

13. FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DIVISION ANGLICAN CARE

The Board considered a request for funding from the Family and Community Division of Anglican Care towards salary and administration costs for the Community Worker based at the Linwood Resource Centre.

The report noted that an operating deficit of \$5,445 existed for this position after allowing for the current income of \$40,000 sourced from the Council's Social Initiatives Funding Scheme. This level of funding had not increased since 1998 and the shortfall had, in recent years, been met by Anglican Care who now no longer considered themselves able to cover this deficit.

After consideration and discussion the Board resolved to:

- 1. Allocate \$5,000 from its 2006/07 Discretionary Fund to The Family and Community Division of Anglican Care for the purpose of supporting a predicted shortfall in salary expenses associated with the Community Development Worker/Manager based at the Linwood Resource Centre.
- 2. Note that in addition, the Community Development Adviser had undertaken to work alongside Anglican Care in supporting them to identify appropriate responses for addressing the shortfall in the future.

14. NEIGHBOURHOOD WEEK FUND APPLICATIONS

The Board considered the final list of applications for funding for Neighbourhood Week 2006, which is to be held from 28 October to 5 November 2006. The Board had allocated an amount of \$3,500 for Neighbourhood Week on the basis of applicants receiving up to \$100 per event.

It **resolved** to allocate funding totalling \$3,269 as per the final list tabled at the meeting, from its 2006/07 Project Funding allocation for Neighbourhood Week.

15. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

It was **resolved** that the resolution to exclude the public set out on page 24 of the agenda be adopted.

The public open section of the meeting concluded at 5.30 pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 25TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2006

BOB TODD CHAIRPERSON