

30. 8. 2007

**SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD
17 JULY 2007**

**A meeting of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board
was held on Tuesday 17 July 2007 at 5.00pm
in the Boardroom, Beckenham Service Centre**

PRESENT: Phil Clearwater (Chairperson), Oscar Alpers, Barry Corbett, Sue Wells, Chris Mene and Megan Woods.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Paul de Spa.

Apologies for lateness were received and accepted from Oscar Alpers who arrived at 5.15pm and was absent for part of clause 2.1

The Board reports that:

PART A – MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

1. CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH INTERMEDIATE – SCHOOL PATROL ON SELWYN STREET

General Manager responsible:	General Manager Jane Parfitt, DDI 941 8656
Officer responsible:	Michael Aitken
Author:	Michael Thomson

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to submit to the Council the Board's recommendation that a school patrol on Selwyn Street at Christchurch South Intermediate School be approved, and that the Council legalise the operation of this school patrol. The **attached** plan refers.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Christchurch South Intermediate School's Board of Trustees and the Police Education Officer have approached the Council to assist with improving road safety for children crossing Selwyn Street when travelling to and from the school.
3. The outcome of meetings with the School's Board of Trustees and Police including site meetings, is the agreement to seek the installation of a school patrol crossing on Selwyn Street, south east of the Cheviot Street intersection. The agreed site of the school patrol crossing will optimise safety by avoiding vehicle conflict between left and right turners at the adjacent Cheviot Street intersection; vehicle conflict at an adjoining vehicle entrance; maximise approach visibility and provide an adequate queuing area off road-opposite the school for children using the school patrol, similar to the school side.
4. School officials agree that once this traffic control device is operational, students will be required to cross Selwyn Street only at the school patrol crossing point. This requirement will further reduce the safety concern as children currently cross at a number of crossing points along and adjacent to the school frontage.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. The installation of the school patrol which includes all signage, road marking, associated kerb and landscaping, can be completed using allocated school crossing equipment and maintenance budgets allocated for the 2007/08 Council financial year. The approximate cost is \$3,000, including kerb cut down modifications, berm sealing and crossing installation.

1 Cont'd

BACKGROUND (THE ISSUES)

6. School officials and the Police Education Officer are concerned about the safety of children who need to cross Selwyn Street as part of their journey to and from the school. While a crossing facility exists just south east of the Cheviot Street intersection (in the form of a kerb extension on the school side) students cross Selwyn Street at a number of locations and from various school gates.
7. The outcome of a meeting between the School Board of Trustees, senior school staff, Police and Council officers was agreement that the operation of a school patrol at the existing crossing facility was appropriate.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that pursuant to the Local Government Act 1974 and 2002 and in accordance with the Land Transport Rule 54002, Traffic Control Devices Rule 2004, the Council approve the authorisation of the head teacher of Christchurch South Intermediate School to appoint appropriately trained persons to act as school patrols at the school crossing point as specified in Selwyn Street, located at a point more or less 12 metres south east generally of Cheviot Street.

BOARD RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.

Clause 12 (Part C) of this report records other related delegated decisions made by the Board regarding an affected street tree and also the provision of associated parking restrictions.

PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

2. BRIEFINGS

2.1 NEW PLUNKET CENTRE – ADDINGTON

Lorraine Logan, Project Manager, and Kristine Haughey, Area Grants Co-Ordinator, of Canterbury Plunket addressed the Board on the financial and operational requirements of the new Plunket Centre in Twigger Street, Addington.

The Chairperson thanked the representatives for the briefing provided.

The Board **received** the information and **decided** that a letter endorsing the project be forwarded to the Council when it next considers major grant applications .

3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

Nil.

4. PETITIONS

Nil.

5. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

7. **BOARD MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

Board members discussed current issues of interest in the Board's area. Specific mention was made of the following matters:

- Landsdowne Terrace Bus Service – Update.
- 'Opawa – The Outpost On The Banks of The Heathcote', Author Noel Gillespie, book release in October and possible funding assistance from the Board. Staff to follow up.
- Beckenham Friendship Club – Twenty Year Anniversary recently celebrated.
- The Press – recent article on 'White Flight' from some Christchurch schools.

Board members noted with concern and disappointment the tone of the newspaper article and it was **agreed** that a letter on the matter be sent to local Members of Parliament.

8. **ACTING COMMUNITY BOARD PRINCIPAL ADVISER'S UPDATE**

8.1 **CURRENT ISSUES**

The Board **received** an update on Board related activity and forthcoming meetings.

8.2 **BEST PRACTICE AWARD – MOTHERS AT HOME PROJECT – SITE VISIT**

It was **agreed** that Board members would present the Best Practice Award regarding the Mothers At Home Project on Tuesday 24 July at 3.30 pm.

9. **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

Nil.

PART C – DELEGATED DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD

10. **CONFIRMATION OF MEETING REPORT - 3 JULY 2007**

The Board **resolved** that the report of its ordinary meeting of 3 July 2007 be confirmed.

11. **PROPOSED ROADS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY NAMINGS**

The Board considered a report seeking approval for the naming of proposed roads and rights-of-way in relation to the Ngai Tahu Property subdivision of the former Sunnyside Hospital site.

The Board **resolved** to approve the following names for the Linden Grove Subdivision, Stage One:

Linden Grove Avenue, John Campbell Crescent, Benjamin Mountfort Close, Thomas Cane Lane, Levinge Lane, Albion Lane, Yew Tree Lane, Pavilion Crescent, The Wickets, The Willows, The Oval and Spruce Lane.

30. 8. 2007

Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board 17.7.2007

-4-

12. CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL– SCHOOL PATROL ON SELWYN STREET

Further to Clause 1 (Part A) of this report, the Board also considered a staff request seeking approval for the removal and replacement planting of a street tree to facilitate the school patrol and the provision of a no stopping restriction outside 207 Selwyn Street and 1 Cheviot Street..

The Board resolved:

- (a) To approve the removal and replacement of a street tree outside 1 Cheviot Street
- (b) To prohibit the stopping of vehicles at any time on the northwest side of Selwyn Street commencing at the Cheviot Street intersection and extending in a south easterly direction for a distance of 29 metres.

The meeting concluded at 5.50pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 7TH DAY OF AUGUST 2007

**PHIL CLEARWATER
CHAIRPERSON**