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REPORT BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE  
SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD  
9 MAY 2008

PART A – MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

1. COLOMBO STREET AT CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH POLICE STATION – PROPOSED ‘KEEP CLEAR’ AREA



<b>General Manager responsible:</b>	General Manager City Environment, DDI 941 8608
<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Transport & Greenspace Unit Manager
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**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to recommend to the Council the installation of a ‘Keep Clear’ area on Colombo Street by the Christchurch South Police Station vehicle entrance. (See Attachment 1).

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. The Council has received a request from the NZ Police to install a ‘Keep Clear’ area by the vehicle entrance to the new Christchurch South Police Station on Colombo Street.
3. Colombo Street is classified as a “*minor arterial*” road in the City Plan and carries about 20,000 vehicles per day. Due to the vicinity of the Christchurch South Police Station to the Colombo Street/Strickland Street intersection, when a queue forms at the intersection, especially during the afternoon peak times, the queue will block the access into and out of the Christchurch South Police Station.
4. Installing a ‘Keep Clear’ area by the vehicle entrance on Colombo Street to the Christchurch South Police Station will indicate to road users that they must not queue over the area when their intended passage through that area is blocked, similar to the Road User Rule on not obstructing intersections. This will assist the Police to ensure that their entranceway is kept clear at all times in case of an emergency.
5. It is believed that this will not be setting a precedent as a similar marking is installed on St Asaph Street by the vehicle entrance to the St John’s Ambulance Station. As a guideline, the ‘Keep Clear’ area markings should only be installed at entranceways to emergency services if required or at a railway crossing.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

6. The total estimated cost for undertaking the works is \$500.

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

7. The works are within the LTCCP operational budgets.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

8. The Land Transport Rule Traffic Control Devices 2004 “Part 10.6 ‘Keep Clear’ zone at intersections” provides for this.

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

9. As noted in paragraph 8.

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**Alignment with LTCCP and Activity Management plans**

10. Aligns with the Streets and Transport activities by contributing to the Council's Community outcomes: Safety (by providing a safe transport system).

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

11. This contributes to improve the level of service and safety.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

12. The recommendations align with the Christchurch Road Safety Strategy.

**Do the recommendations align with the Councils strategies?**

13. As noted In paragraph 12.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

14. No other properties are directly affected by this and therefore no further consultation was undertaken.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Council approve:

- (a) That a 'Keep Clear' area be marked on the road surface on Colombo Street by the Christchurch South Police Station vehicle entrance as shown in the attached plan.

**SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD CONSIDERATION**

The Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board considered this report at its meeting held on Friday 9 May 2008.

**BOARD RECOMMENDATION**

That the staff recommendation be adopted.

**PHIL CLEARWATER  
CHAIRPERSON**

