



Christchurch City Council

**FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI
COMMUNITY BOARD
AGENDA**

TUESDAY 31 MARCH 1998

AT 4.00 PM

**BOARD ROOM
FENDALTON SERVICE CENTRE
CNR JEFFREYS AND CLYDE ROADS, FENDALTON**

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1. APOLOGIES

2. CONFIRMATION OF REPORT—3 MARCH 1998

Chairman’s

Recommendation: That the report of the Ordinary Meeting of the Board held on 3 March 1998, as circulated, be confirmed.

3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

4. PETITION–FLAY CRESCENT–REQUEST FOR SPEED HUMPS

RR 7341

Officer responsible City Streets Manager	Author Brian Boddy, Area Engineer
Corporate Plan Output: Traffic Management	

The purpose of this report is to advise that a 50 signatory petition has been received from the residents of Flay Crescent requesting speed humps to slow down the traffic using this street.

Staff will liaise with the Police in the investigation of the problem and a report will be made back to the Traffic Safety Committee with possible options.

- Recommendations:**
1. That the petition be received.
 2. That the staff investigate the request and report back to the Traffic Safety Committee with a recommended course of action.

Chairman’s

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendations be adopted.

5. FARRINGTON AVENUE–PROPOSED RESIDENTS PARKING AREA

RR 7344

Officer responsible City Streets Manager	Author Brian Boddy, Area Engineer
Corporate Plan Output: On-Street Parking Management	

The purpose of this report is to consider the creation of a ‘Residents Only’ parking area outside the Masonic Lodge Pensioner flats at 108-110 Farrington Avenue. As Farrington Avenue is a collector road the Board’s recommendation will need to go to Council.

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This request has come following approval being granted to operate a Café and Bar at 117 Farrington Avenue, which is opposite the flats. Several of the tenants who reside in the flats, are concerned that they will be unable to park their vehicles in the vicinity of the flats during the evenings, a situation that has occurred at times in the past.

Council policy is that before a ‘Residents Only’ parking area is formed there must be no off-street parking on the site and that the occupants realise it is for residents only. The situation fulfils both these criteria.

The Parking Manager supports the establishment of the proposed residential parking area and confirms that the Unit will monitor the area.

A plan of the area is **attached**.

Recommendation: That the Board recommend to Council that a Residents Parking area be created on the south-east side of Farrington Avenue commencing at the northern boundary of 110 Farrington Avenue and extending in a south-westerly direction for a distance of 16 metres.

Chairman’s

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

6. IDRIS ROAD–PEDESTRIAN REFUGE

RR 7345

Officer responsible City Streets Manager	Author Richard Falloon, Project Engineer
Corporate Plan Output: Capital Works: Safety	

The purpose of this report is to advise the Board of the progress to date regarding the installation of a pedestrian refuge in Idris Road just south of the Jeffreys Road intersection.

The publicity leaflet is expected to be circulated to residents in the area by the end of March seeking comments. The scheme has been developed in consultation with St Patrick’s School.

Construction of the island and associated roadmarking is expected to take place in May.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

Chairman’s

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

**7. KENDAL AVENUE/CRANBROOK AVENUE INTERSECTION
PROPOSED SAFETY WORKS**

RR 7346

Officer responsible City Streets Manager	Author Brian Boddy, Area Engineer
Corporate Plan Output: Traffic Management	

The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of the proposed traffic safety works outside the Kendal Avenue shops and at the Cranbrook Avenue intersection as shown on the **attached** plan, which is to be used as a basis for public consultation.

This work is the second part of the Kendal Avenue/Charlcott Street/Cranbrook Avenue intersection works identified in the Burnside Local Area Traffic Management Scheme adopted by the Board in 1995 and is scheduled to be done as part of the Council's 1997/98 capital works programme.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

8. TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE-REPORT OF 17 MARCH 1998

RR 7348

Officer responsible Community Manager	Author Peter Dow
Corporate Plan Output: Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board Vol 1, 3.1 text 7	

The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Committee's meeting held on 17 March 1998.

The matter of parking facilities associated with the Westburn School in Waimairi Road was further addressed as was on-street parking in the vicinity of St Andrews College. A change to parking arrangements in Leinster Road was discussed and the record of the Board Workshop held on 11 March was considered.

Attached is the Committee's report and recommendations.

Recommendation: That the report be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

9. **MERIVALE JOINT WORKING PARTY–REPORT OF 20 MARCH 1998**

RR 7349

Officer responsible Community Manager	Author Peter Dow
Corporate Plan Output: Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board Vol 1, 3.1 text 7	

The purpose of this report is to submit the report of the Working Party’s meeting of 20 March where consideration was given to prioritising the allocation of Board funds to elements of the agreed Merivale Village Streetscape Plan.

The report is **attached**.

Recommendation: That the report be received and the recommendation therein be adopted.

Chairman’s

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

10. **MAINTENANCE OF PLANTINGS IN STREETS**

RR 7323

Officer responsible City Streets Manager	Author Rod Whearty
Corporate Plan Output: Elected Member Advice	

The purpose of this report is to investigate a proposal put forward by Pat Harrow whereby local residents would be encouraged to look after and assist with the minor maintenance and watering of landscape areas and street trees within their local streets.

BACKGROUND

A number of Board members recently attended a workshop run by the City Streets Unit at the Fendalton Service Centre.

The second half of the workshop focused on landscaping within the streetscape and in particular the planting treatment given to street thresholds, roundabouts and medians.

The Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board has provided funding in recent years to upgrade some of the higher profile roundabouts and thresholds in their area with emphasis on achieving a greater diversity of plants and introducing more colour into the streetscape.

The general objective behind the Board’s initiative was to further enhance and promote Christchurch’s Garden City image and at the same time compliment the plantings occurring in the adjacent residential properties.

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The end result is a planting that compliments its surrounds and enhances the visual integration of the street scene so that there is a continuity of roadside plantings with the local residential environment.

The workshop was shown a number of examples where this has been successfully achieved. Many of these examples were landscape areas identified and upgraded by the Board and within the Fendalton/Waimairi area.

DISCUSSION

The general view of those attending the workshop was that there was a high level of support to continue the recent move to include a wider range of plants than had traditionally been utilised in these areas.

Mr Harrow raised the point that some sort of system be introduced whereby residents adjacent to these areas are encouraged to take some "ownership" of them. Residents could assist with minor maintenance and in particular the watering of these areas over the summer period which is traditionally hot and dry. The potential for plant loss is highest during the summer as plants come under increased stress from the effects of drought.

Local residents caring for and nurturing these areas can have a significant impact on the survival and establishment of these plots. This can be easily seen in the planting of street trees where the trees that are thriving are generally those where the resident is undertaking supplementary watering and after care.

The City Streets Unit has already had two successful examples in this area where local residents have undertaken a pro-active role in maintaining the streetscape, namely Appleby Crescent and Claverly Gardens.

The Council's role was one of support and assistance with the provision of plants and materials and the residents providing the labour.

The proposal has been discussed with Lucas Sikiotis of the City Streets Unit, who has indicated that the Unit will further investigate the options for involving residents in the care of street landscape areas and report these options back to the Board.

Recommendation: That the City Streets Unit investigate options for encouraging local residents to show some 'ownership' in landscape areas in their local streets and report back to the Board by August 1998.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

11. NUNWEEK PARK CARPARKING

RR 7322

Officer responsible Parks Manager	Author Rod Whearty
Corporate Plan Output: Parks Capital Outputs	

The purpose of this report is to obtain the Board’s approval to circulate the draft plan for the Nunweek Park carpark extension and get public feedback on the proposal.

BACKGROUND

Board members will recall that \$3,000 was provided in this financial year to produce a plan to address carparking congestion at Nunweek Park in the vicinity of the hockey fields.

A draft plan was produced just prior to Christmas which provided for the extension to the existing carpark area (**Attached** plan refers).

No further work or consultation had been undertaken until now due to the fact that there was no funding available to implement the plan.

CURRENT

Board members will also recall that \$10,000 has been allocated out of the Board’s 1998/99 project funds with the proviso that the Parks Unit come up with the balance to complete the project within that financial year.

The Parks Unit has been successful in obtaining \$60,000 for the 1998/99 financial year through the Annual Plan process to complete the project.

It is important to note that the Plan is in draft form at this stage and is still subject to Council approval.

The proposal for the new carpark takes in an area currently occupied by a large black poplar. The tree has dropped some large limbs in recent years and would appear to be past its prime. The location of this particular tree is in close proximity to the proposed carpark and is seen as incompatible. The draft plan provides for the tree to be removed. Replacement trees are proposed.

Depending on the level of feedback it may be necessary for the Board to make a decision regarding the tree, however that will become clearer following the outcome of the feedback from the public and associated sports clubs.

SUMMARY

The intention is to circulate the plan to local residents and sports clubs to receive their input so that amendments can be made to the plan that reflect their aspirations and views.

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The plan should be finalised this financial year which would allow work on the implementation phase to commence early in the new financial year.

Recommendation: That the proposed plan to extend the carpark at Nunweek Park be circulated for public comment and that the plan to be finalised be bought back to the Board at the appropriate time.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

12. CHARGING FOR OCCUPATION OF RESERVE LAND

RR 7325

<p>Officer responsible Parks Manager</p>	<p>Author John Allen, Area Parks Officer/Team Leader Consents</p>
<p>Corporate Plan Output: Consents - Sub Output: Leases Vol 3/9.4.8</p>	

The purpose of this report is to inform Board members of a paper that has been sent to all sports clubs and community groups who occupy reserve land to encourage discussion on how to charge for such occupation. This is a metropolitan issue which is being addressed by the Parks and Recreation Committee. The Council resolved at its meeting on 26 November that the draft discussion paper presented to it be circulated to the affected sports clubs and community groups for comment.

THE NEED FOR THE DISCUSSION PAPER

The need for this paper arises primarily because of inequity between existing sports clubs and community groups (SCCG). The inequity is largely as a result of the varied policies of the different territorial authorities prior to Local Government amalgamation in 1989. It exists in two forms:

1. Between SCCG on reserve land and private land. Those on private land pay rates (subject to remission) while those on reserve land do not pay rates.
2. Between existing SCCG leasing reserve land, there is a wide disparity in current annual rent levels. A comparison between two rugby clubs reveals one paying 10c while another pays \$300.00 for one seventh of the area.

In addition to existing charging inequity, from 1 July 1998, the Local Government Amendment Act No 3, 1996 will come into force. This Act requires, among other financial management responsibilities, that the Council conduct prudent management of its assets and expenses.

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Reserves are Council assets and fall within the ambit of the Act, and therefore charging for occupation must be developed in line with the requirements of the Act. Other factors to be considered are: maintenance of public participation in these SCCG and consistency with the requirements of the Proposed City Plan.

ESTABLISH A FAIR AND EQUITABLE CHARGING POLICY

The goal, which is set out in the discussion paper, is to establish a fair and equitable charging policy by firstly establishing equity through a level playing field for all SCCG.

The proposal is that:

- All SCCG, whether on reserve or freehold land pay rates (subject to remission).
- All SCCG on reserves have rent calculated at a standard per square metre rate.

Secondly, establishing fairness by balancing prudent management of the asset and expenses with promotion of community development.

- Prudent management is achieved through recovery of costs and expenses whilst at the same time setting rents that take into account the value of the reserve itself.
- Promotion of community development is achieved firstly by ensuring that the proposed total charges (ie rent plus rates) will not create an unreasonable financial burden on SCCG. Rate remission and low rent levels ensure this. Secondly by phasing in the proposed charges to provide a sufficient adjustment period.

THE PROPOSED APPROACH TO CHARGING

The proposed charging policy applies to preferential use of reserve land under one hectare. This is the building footprint and may include a greenspace area around or attached to the building which used in association with it. The proposed method is a rate levy and rent charge.

Rates would be levied as per the existing rating policy on freehold land which includes a standard policy of partial remission.

Rent is calculated by use of a standard formula. This sets a rate per square metre which varies dependent on the type of land use, (ie building or greenspace), and the area of land taken. The rent payable will be the greater of either; a minimum rent to cover essential administrative costs or application of the formula.

- The effect of the proposed charges is that over 75% of rents go down but when rent is added to rates then nearly all SCCG incur an increase in total charges. Despite this overall increase the proposed charges compare favourably with other Local Authorities.

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- A phase in period for the proposed charges is proposed to ensure the avoidance of significant adjustment difficulties for SCCG.
- The proposed rate charges would not be applied until twelve months after formal adoption of the policy, ie no sooner than 1 July 1999.
- The proposed rent would take effect after formal Council adoption of the policy, ie not before 1 August 1998, when existing leases expire or rent reviews fall due.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Council is presently seeking the input of SCCG who occupy reserve land. A paper in which the important issues and options are outlined has been prepared to encourage discussion on how to charge for such occupation.

A choice of the options has been made by Council staff and developed into a proposed policy.

The Council is now seeking the input of SCCG to consider firstly whether all the important issues and possible options have been covered. Secondly whether the choice of options is appropriate. An assessment of charges that would be applied using the proposed policy has been provided to the SCCG so they can determine the effect on their organisation.

The Council consider that it is important SCCG consider the issues. All affected SCCG have therefore been supplied with a copy of the discussion paper. If any SCCG are uncertain as to how or why the proposed charges are set, they have been asked to direct their enquiries to Felix Dawson 371-1966, Lewis Burn 371-1522 or John Allen 371-1699.

A questionnaire has been sent to the SCCG concerned, requesting them to complete and return it as soon as possible, but before 29 May 1998 to The Property Unit, PO Box 237, Christchurch. C/- Felix Dawson.

A hearings committee of the Parks and Recreation Committee has been established to consider all written and oral submissions. A final charging policy will not be developed until after completion of this process. A period of nearly three months has been allowed to ensure that SCCG have sufficient time to undertake full discussion, and prepare any written and/or oral submissions. Those SCCG wishing to make submissions will be given adequate notice of the hearing date, which is expected to be in mid to late June 1998.

A copy of the information pack supplied to all SCCG is available at the Service Centres or the Parks Unit.

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Recommendation: The information be received.

Chairman's

- Recommendations:**
1. That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.
 2. That the discussion document on charging for the occupation of reserve land be referred to the Plans Committee for consideration and that the Parks and Recreation Committee be advised that the Board may wish to make a submission to the Hearing Committee on the proposals.

13. CULTURAL FESTIVAL–MARCH 1998

RR 6632

Officer responsible Community Manager	Authors Ingrid de Meyer and Roz Rickerby
Corporate Plan Output: Community Activities	

The purpose of this report is to inform Board members of the outcomes associated with hosting a cultural festival which relates to the Council's Community Development and Social Well-Being Policy (1996). The policy has several outcomes, one of which refers to 'Respect For Cultural Diversity'.

BACKGROUND

The cultural festival was held on Sunday 1 March 1998, outdoors at Jellie Park. This was the second time the event was held and this year it was incorporated with the Summertimes Sweet Suburbia community concerts. The festival was supported by the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board and Communications and Promotions Unit. The project aimed to provide and promote an opportunity for families/residents to experience and participate in a celebration of our cultural diversity.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the festival were:

- (i) To provide communities with opportunities to reaffirm and display their cultural heritage.
- (ii) To increase networks, and promote the profile of various ethnic groups residing in the northwest area.
- (iii) To give local residents (families) an opportunity to experience a sense of belonging, not only to their family group but also in a broader context of the wider community.

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EVENT DETAILS

The event was centred around fun and entertainment. The compere for the day was the Amazing Mr Moon (John Davey). The festival began with the Natural Magic Pirate Band followed by eight performing cultural groups comprising of Maori (Ngai Tai E Rua) performing traditional song, poi and haka; New Pacific Underground with music and song, traditional Chinese Lion Dance, Philippine folk-dance, Indian traditional Stick Dance, Irish traditional Folk-dance, Fijian drama and finishing with the I & I Reggae Samoan Band.

Ethnic food was on sale all day which provided an opportunity for groups to fund raise. Origami, hairbraiding and both Japanese and Chinese calligraphy were some of the have-a-go activities which were very popular. The Bouncy Castle also attracted large attendances throughout the day.

COST

The total cost of the event was \$6,800.00. Income for the event was from the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board which allocated \$6,500. The \$300.00 short fall was promotion related and was costed under the Community Activities advertising budget.

PUBLICITY

Pre-event publicity was fairly extensive in our local area, and was a combination of paid advertising with The Press and distribution of flyers and posters locally. The event captured free advertising through media releases and community notice board radio advertising. The festival was also listed under Sweet Suburbia concerts in the Summertime brochure, and this also included some radio advertising on 92 More FM.

ATTENDANCE

The day was successful with good numbers attending. It was estimated that approximately 2,000 people attended over the day. Many took the opportunity to participate throughout the day when the various cultural groups were performing.

EVALUATION

All comments and feedback from the general public were all very positive.

The festival ran very smoothly. This was aided by the support of volunteers assisting throughout the day, the inclusion of an Events Team personnel Tim Scandrett who assisted on the day, people coming together in support of this initiative, and also due to assistance from Community Board members Graham Catley, Ian Rivers, Val Carter along with Joan Catley and Trisha Geange.

All cultural groups were pleased with the festival event.

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CONCLUSION

Based again on the very favourable feedback from the cultural groups, and people in attendance the conclusion is that the cost of providing the event was money well spent.

The success of this event has many positive implications.

In terms of the previous event held last year, the March event had a fuller programme, involved more stalls and activities and had a higher attendance overall.

The involvement of the Communications and Promotions Unit regarding some key resources meant some budgetary money was saved, and staff assistance on the day added to the smooth running.

It should be noted that the Communications and Promotions Unit has \$30,000 available in the 1998/99 financial year to host a **city-wide** multi-cultural event. Staff will liaise closely in terms of what is proposed and how this will impact on the more localised smaller cultural event.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

14. BRYNDWR RESEARCH-REPORT FINDINGS

RR 7321

Officer responsible Community Manager	Author Ingrid de Meyer, Community Activities Officer
Corporate Plan Output: Community Activities	

The purpose of this report is to inform Board members of the results from the completed research project undertaken in the Bryndwr area.

BACKGROUND

Board members will recall funding this Research partnership project with Family Plus of Anglican Care, St Aidan's and St Stephen's parishes to the amount of \$4,433, in light of the Community Development and Social Well Being Policy.

Claire Thomas was employed to undertake the research under a partnership agreement between Family Plus and the Fendalton Service Centre.

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this project in summary was to identify:

- residents needs (primarily in relation to local services, amenities and activities)
- current services in the area
- any gaps in these services
- any future or new initiatives based on community needs

This information enables/assists local organisations and services, including Fendalton Service Centre of the Christchurch City Council in planning future community initiatives in the Bryndwr area.

Members have been separately circulated a full copy of the report.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Bryndwr Consultation was carried out in the second half of 1997. It covers the area bounded by Memorial Avenue, Clyde Road, Ilam Road, Wairakei Road and Grahams Road - see Figure 1. The study was a collaborative effort between Fendalton Service Centre (Christchurch City Council), Family Plus (Anglican Care, Canterbury/Westland), local churches and community organisations of Bryndwr. A facilitator was employed part-time over a six month period to enable collection of a demographic profile of the area, undertake an inventory of community services and facilities, consult residents on needs, issues, concerns and opportunities and write up the research.

The consultation involved 160 local residents and people working in the area - including one-to-one interviews with 80 key informants from local groups and services, random street interviews with 25 residents, four focus group discussions involving a total of 55 people, and a community forum to consider the issues identified to date, which involved 21 people - mainly leaders of local community organisations.

The Bryndwr area (and especially the Jellie Park area unit within it) has higher unemployment, more solo parents, more State housing, more younger families, more beneficiaries, more low-income earners, less car owners and less home owners than Christchurch as a whole. It is also one of the more diverse areas of Christchurch, with a higher proportion of Maori, Pacific Islanders, Asians and other ethnic groups than the rest of the city.

While poverty and hardship are found in all wards of the city, Bryndwr is identified as one of seven (7) poverty and hardship 'hot spots' in Christchurch (Jamieson, 1998).

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However, it is also an area of great resources. People like the area and its facilities, its easy access to the city and more affordable housing. The study also found evidence of great community spirit and support. Churches and other community organisations are active in the area.

However, this community commitment will probably only be maximised when it is supported by adequate resources and organisation. The churches and other groups in the area have already developed a reputation for working together - the achievements of the Bryndwr Churches Community Support Society and its high regard in the local community is evidence of that. This can be built upon to further strengthen collaborative efforts and close consultation between the Council (through the Fendalton Service Centre) the various churches and other community organisations in the area.

The consultation and research identified several specific areas where additional resources are needed. These particularly relate to traffic safety issues; youth programmes; community policing; employment development; a skateboard/rollerblading area; increased public toilets; a localised bus service, English for speakers of other languages; and a community hall.

The key recommendations are:

1. That the Fendalton Service Centre continue to facilitate the holding of *community consultation forums* for information sharing and ongoing needs assessment and cooperative responses.
2. That the current youth programmes run through the churches, especially for *at risk youth*, be supported and developed. That the *Fasta programme* be reactivated as part of this, possibly through the Bryndwr Churches Community Support Society Inc.
3. That *local training and employment packages* be developed especially for at risk youth in Bryndwr, and new immigrants moving into the area, possibly under the umbrella of the Bryndwr Churches Community Support Society Inc.
4. That the work of the Bryndwr Churches Community Support Society Incorporated's *Community Worker* be continued and enhanced in the Bryndwr area.
5. That programmes for young people aged between *ages 10-14*, (Forms 1-4) be developed along with a place to meet.
6. That the Fendalton Service Centre further investigate the possibility of developing a *skatepark/rollerblading area* in Jellie Park.

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7. That the Council in partnership with community groups initiate *outside of school care* and *holiday programmes*, particularly targeted to low income families.
8. That the Council/Businesses provide more *public toilets*, with special consideration given to shopping areas and malls.
9. That the Community Board explore with the Regional Council the possibility of developing a *localised bus service* for the Bryndwr-Fendalton area.
10. That the Fendalton/Waimairi Board approach the Police to discuss the feasibility of increasing the number of *Community Police* in the Bryndwr-Burnside area.

Board members will also recall some funding has been set aside in relation to recommendations **three** and **six** in this research report.

\$25,000 from 1998/99 project funds for skateboard/rollerblading facility in Jellie Park; and

\$5,000 from the 1997/98 discretionary funds for local training and employment packages, particularly for 'Youth at Risk'/unemployed youth and immigrants to the area (subject to a full report which will now be presented/prepared for the 5 May 1998 Board meeting).

- Recommendations:**
1. That the information and report be received.
 2. That the Community Board support in principle the outcomes and recommendations in the report.
 3. That the report be made available to appropriate community agencies including copies made available at the Fendalton Library.

Chairman's

- Recommendation:**
1. That the foregoing recommendations be adopted.
 2. That staff report back in August 1998 on progress in the implementation of the research findings.

**15. JELLIE PARK/WAIRARAPA STREAM ENHANCEMENT
PROGRESS REPORT**

RR 7287

Officer responsible Water Services Manager	Author Anne Greenup, Senior Landscape Architect
Corporate Plan Output: Water Services Capital Outputs: Asset Improvements Ref 9.3.39	

The purpose of this report is to update the Board on this project.

The Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board has allocated \$3,000 from its 1997/98 budget for the preparation of a landscape plan for the waterway enhancement of Wairarapa Stream in Jellie Park.

A public meeting was held at the hall at St Stephens Church (junction of Ilam and Aorangi Roads) on the evening of 10 March 1998. To publicise the meeting public notices were placed at Jellie Park Pool, the Fendalton Library and the Fendalton Service Centre. Letters were sent to residents at adjoining properties and to the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board members.

The meeting was well attended (15 plus CCC staff and Councillor Harrow) and was facilitated by Richard Budd. Attendees walked along the stream and this was a very good opportunity to receive local input from residents. Recorded on a whiteboard were the issues the public wished to address. These remarks will now form the basis of a design brief to enable the landscape plan to meet the wishes and requirements of the stakeholders.

The plan will encompass planting on Jellie Park land, not on private property along the northern bank of the stream.

The next step is to draw up the concept plan. This will then be presented to the Community Board and made available for public comment.

The landscape plan will be completed by the end of June 1998 and money will need to be allocated for implementation some time during the 1998/99 financial year.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

16. CHILDREN'S STRATEGY WATER EXPO

RR 7301

Officer responsible Water Services Manager	Author Christine Heremaia and Craig McGregor
Corporate Plan Output: Education Programme Volume 3 Page 9.3.5	

The purpose of this report is to provide information on the ongoing Water Expo programme, an educational programme to increase children's environmental awareness of the city's water resource.

The Water Services Unit has a responsibility to encourage environmental awareness of this resource in accordance with Policy 2.9.1 in the City Plan. This policy states:

To encourage greater public awareness of important natural features and habitats within the city, particularly waterways, the coast and their margins, the Port Hills and indigenous grasslands.

The Council's Environmental Policy Statement also states that:

The Council will promote an awareness within the community of environmental matters as they affect the city.

In 1996 the Council adopted the recommendations of the Children's Strategy Research Report which included ensuring that policies were good for children and that children's views and perspectives were taken into account in planning. They are also the next generation who will be managing and using this important resource.

The Water Expo Programme focuses on children year 6 to year 10.

The focus of the programme will be on information technology such as the computer and web sites. This technology is being rapidly introduced into schools and will encourage interactive participatory learning by the children as well as provide a lot of information easily. It is important that the Council provide local information, in order that Christchurch children understand their local resource as well as the situation worldwide.

Last year Craig McGregor and the Water Services Unit jointly applied to the Royal Society of New Zealand for a Science and Technology Teacher Fellowship in order to develop this programme and to run a pilot Water Expo competition. Craig is the Deputy Principal of Wharenui School. The application was successful. Craig has now taken a year off school and his replacement is being funded by the Royal Society of New Zealand.

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The programme has three main components:

1. **Web Site**

The development of a children's web site on the Water Services Unit's home page. It will contain information on Christchurch's water resource, teacher and student work sheets, links to the school curriculum and information about the competition. Opportunities will be provided for students to e-mail their questions to the Water Services Unit and having their answers posted to the web.

2. **Audio conferencing**

Audio conferencing will involve linking several schools at the same time by telephone and enabling them to interview an expert on a particular aspect of the water resource.

3. **Competition**

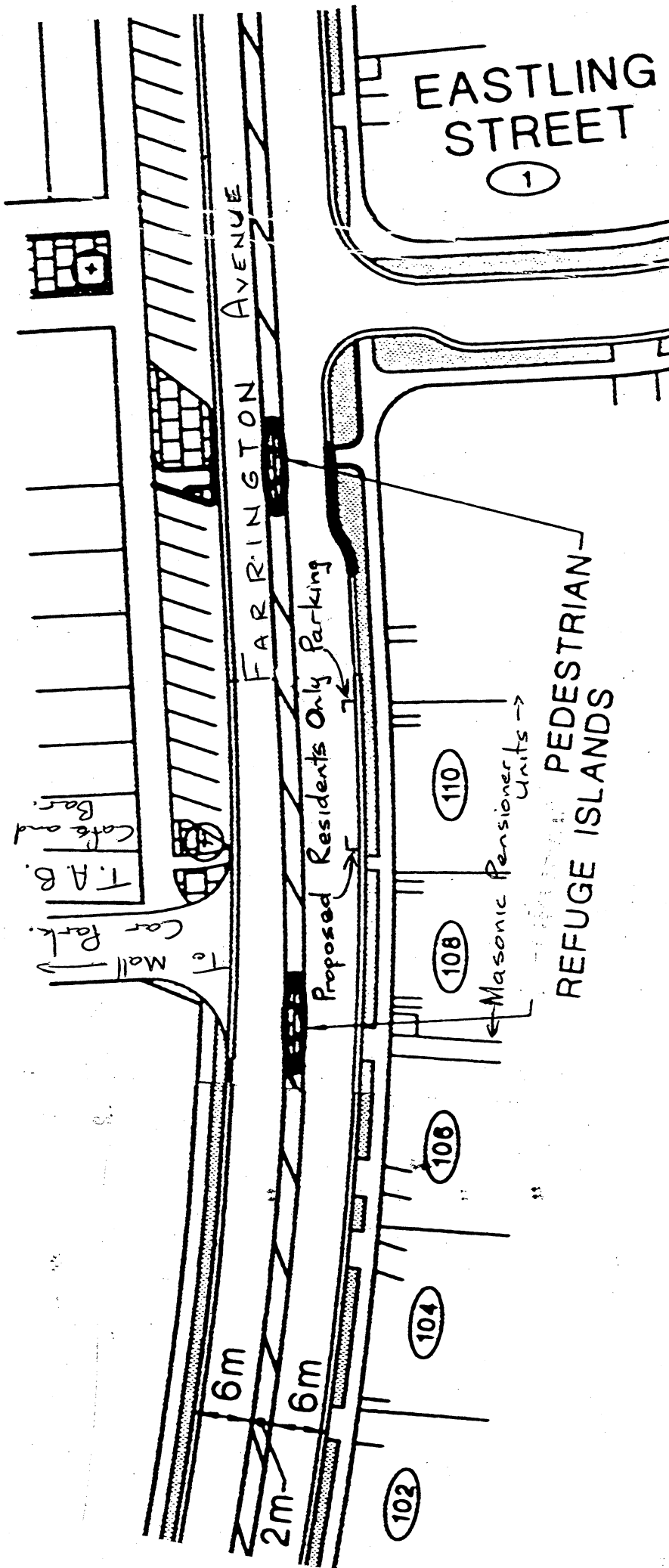
The culmination of children's study will be their (optional) entry into one of the following competition categories: photographic essay/poster, video presentation, computer multimedia presentation.

Recommendation: That the information be received

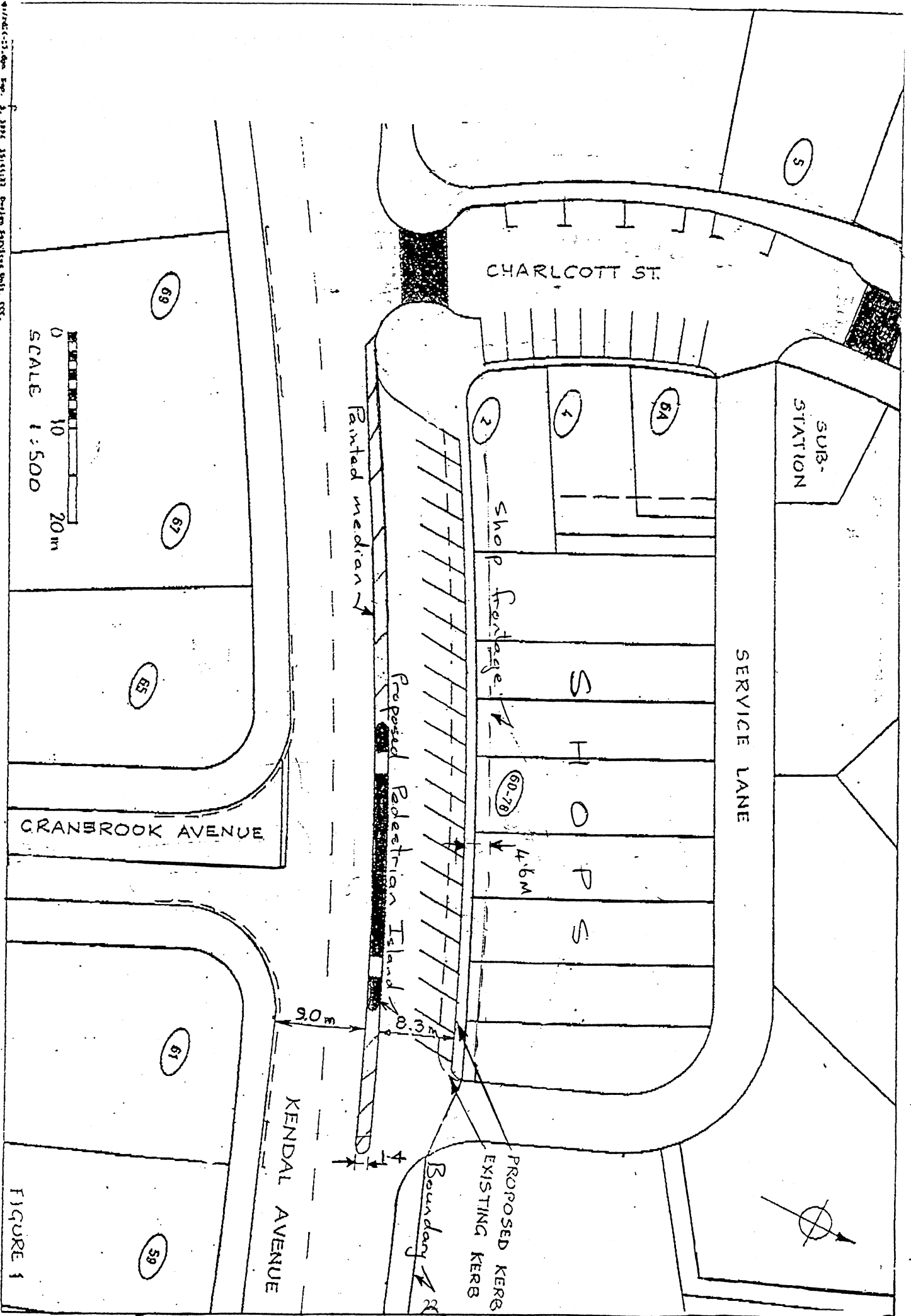
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Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

17. 'GOOD NEWS STORIES'



FARRINGTON AVENUE: PROPOSED RESIDENTS ONLY PARKING



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 FENDALTON SERVICE CENTRE : KENDAL AVENUE - CHARLCOTT STREET - CRANBROOK AVENUE INTERSECTION
 CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL : PROPOSED LOCAL AREA TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SCHEME NEW CONSTRUCTION

FIGURE 1

FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY BOARD**REPORT OF A MEETING OF THE TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**Held on Tuesday 17 March 1998 at 12.15 pm
in the Meeting Room, Fendalton Service Centre**

PRESENT: Hazel Tait (Chairman), Val Carter, Graham Catley,
Cheryl Colley, Pat Harrow, Keith Nuttall, Ian Rivers,
Ron Wright

IN ATTENDANCE: Inspector Graeme Cairns, New Zealand Police

1. APOLOGIES An apology was received and accepted from Barbara Stewart

**2. LEINSTER ROAD PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTION
-ALTERATION**

The Area Engineer reported that an eight signatory letter had been received from the local shopkeepers requesting that the existing parking restriction on the south side of Leinster Road in the vicinity of the Papanui Road intersection be changed from a P60 to a P30 control as customers required only 30 minute parking.

The report noted that a 30 minute parking control along the Papanui Road frontage of the shops already was in place therefore the proposed change would provide greater uniformity to the parking restrictions in the general area.

Recommendation: That the existing P60 parking restriction be changed to a P30 parking restriction on the south side of Leinster Road from its intersection with Papanui Road to the western boundary of No 158 Leinster Road, a distance of 42 metres.

3. WAIMAIRI ROAD-TRAFFIC SAFETY AT WESTBURN SCHOOL

At its meeting on 3 March 1998, the Board endorsed a Committee recommendation that the Area Engineer present to the Traffic Safety Committee a suitable design plan for consultation and liaison with Westburn School and the Ministry of Education.

In response to this request, the Area Engineer reported that several design options aimed at improving traffic safety at the school had been subsequently prepared and discussed with the Ministry of Education, School Principal and the City Streets Unit.

The outcome from these discussions resulted in the **attached** plan emerging as the preferred option. The plan proposes the creation of a parking bay for 12 vehicles and a bus stop along the Waimairi Road frontage of the school.

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The preliminary estimate for the proposed work was \$30,000, and subject to Council approval via the Board, would be included in the City Streets capital works programme probably in the 1999/00 year. Alternatively, the option existed for the work to be funded from the Board's own project funds albeit that a substitution would probably need to be identified.

The Committee was also advised that the offer made by the School to purchase a property at 56 Hounslow Street to provide alternative pedestrian access to the school had lapsed and as such was no longer being pursued.

The view was expressed that it was a pity that apparently the Ministry of Education was not in a position to contribute funding towards the project and that this should perhaps be reviewed. Staff undertook to convey these sentiments to the Ministry.

Recommendation:

That subject to the Westburn School Board of Trustees agreeing to the design option, the Board recommend to Council:

1. That a parking bay for twelve cars and one bus be constructed as shown on the attached plan.
2. That a P5 restriction be installed on the west side of Waimairi Road from 14.7 metres south of the southern boundary of 259 Waimairi Road to 88 metres south of the southern boundary of 259 Waimairi Road.

4. NORMANS ROAD/WATFORD STREET/COLLEGE AVENUE-PARKING

A report was submitted by the Area Engineer detailing feedback from the survey undertaken of residents along the portions of the above streets affected by the proposed parking restrictions as sought by the Committee last December.

Details of the responses received and possible solutions to the matters identified were explained.

With the objective of developing an agreed strategy to improve the overall situation, members favoured the idea of the Board facilitating a public meeting involving the local residents and school.

Recommendation:

That the matter of on-street parking in the vicinity of St Andrews College be the subject of a public meeting with all interested parties invited to attend.

5. BOARD WORKSHOP

It was reported that a further successful Board workshop had been held on 11 March to consider the two remaining outstanding topics from the January workshop of right turn arrows at traffic signals and landscaping associated with road reserve areas.

Seven Board members together with two members from the Shirley/Papanui Community Board had attended along with appropriate officers.

The Committee acknowledged that the workshop had provided members with a useful forum in which to be appraised on both subjects and to receive clarification and to have various queries answered.

Subsequently circulated for members information were the criteria and guidelines used by the Landscape Architects in designing planting plans for street areas.

Mention was made of the possibility of trialing the provision of a right turning green arrow at the Papanui Road/Bealey Avenue intersection. This initiative was generally endorsed by members.

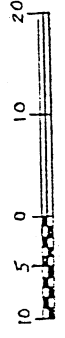
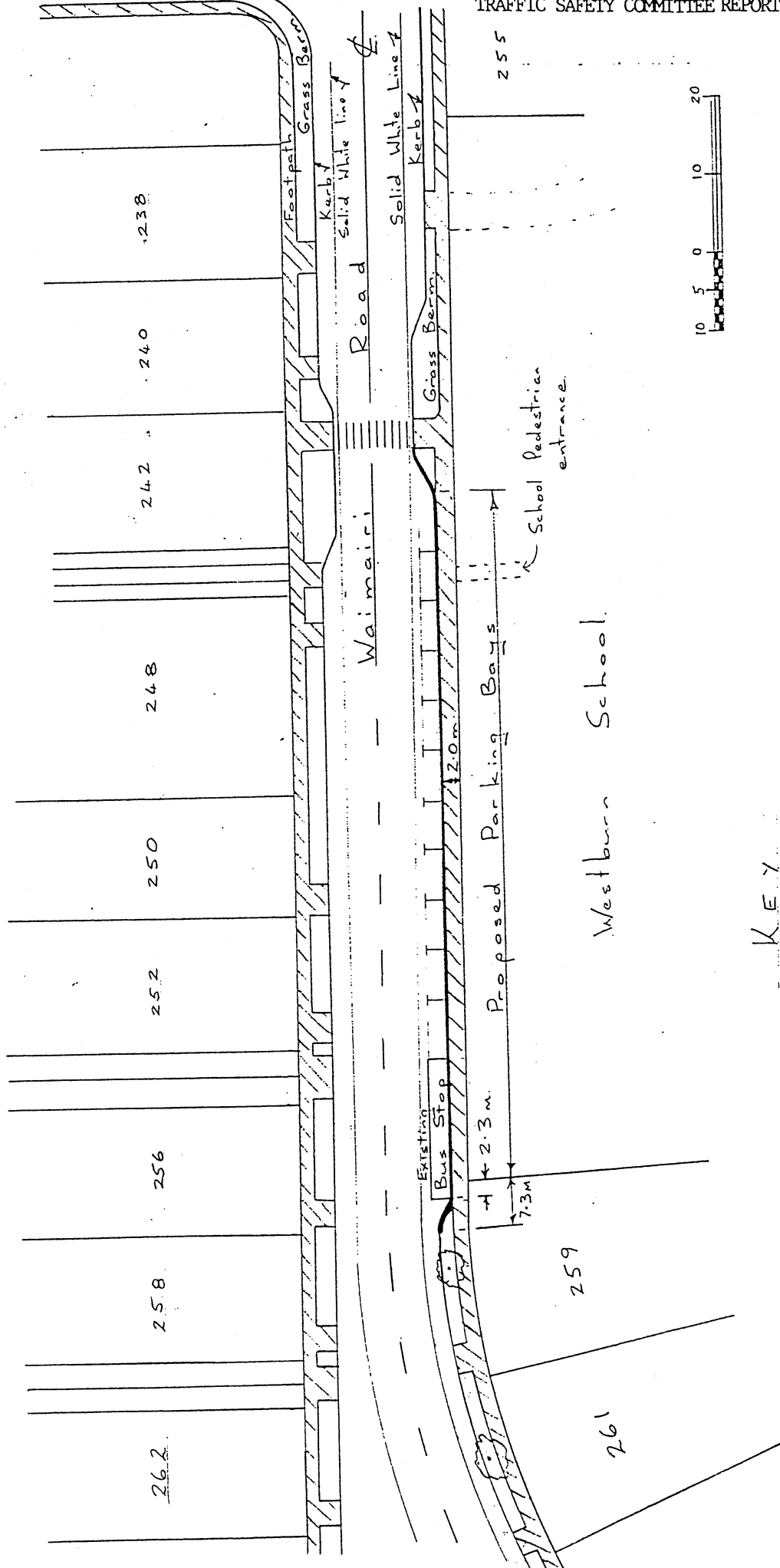
Recommendations:

1. That the information be received.
2. That the City Services Committee be asked to urgently review the operational arrangements of the traffic signals at the Papanui/Bealey intersection with a view to a right turn green arrow being installed from Papanui Road into Bealey Avenue. Further that the Board urges the Committee to trial such an arrangement for at least a six month period.

The meeting concluded at 1.06 pm

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Greens Rd.



KEY

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— Proposed Kerb.

SCALE _____
 SHIT. NO. _____
 JOB No. _____

Waimairi Road at Westburn School.
 Proposed Parking Bays.

DESIGNED	NAME	DATE
SAFETY AUDIT		
APPROVED		

SITE CHECK	NAME	DATE
TRAFFIC/ACC. DATA		
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TRAFFIC UNIT

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The City of the Future

MERIVALE JOINT WORKING PARTY**Report of a meeting held on Friday 20 March 1998 at 8.30am,
in the Meeting Room, Fendalton Service Centre**

PRESENT: Keith Nuttall (Chairman), Hazel Tait, Colin Foggo, Paddy Cotter,
Jeff Vesey, Mike Godinet, Tony Hunter

IN ATTENDANCE: Community Manager
Environmental Policy and Planning Manager
Area Engineer
Committee Secretary

1. APOLOGIES Apologies were received and accepted from Barbara Stewart, Ron Wright, Lynn Cawley and Pat Quinn.

2. MERIVALE VILLAGE-STREETScape CONCEPT

It was reported that the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board had recently decided to allocate \$30,000 of its 1998/99 funding to commence the staged implementation of elements of the streetscape plan. It was also the present Board's intention that the same amount of funding be provided over the next two years thereby contributing \$90,000 in total.

To assist the Board in deciding how best to allocate its first contribution of \$30,000 the Working Party reviewed a summary prepared by Boffa Miskell which set out the component parts and costings associated with the various elements of the scheme.

Boffa Miskell had also advised that during the costing stage of the project, research was undertaken as the availability of topiary trees for use along Papanui Road. Some 50 trees at \$105 each were available from a local nursery supplier and a confirming order and deposit was necessary to secure this stock for delivery early in 1999.

The Working Party was also asked to consider the aspect of funding sources/contributions other than just the Council.

Comment was made that there was general agreement amongst property owners that they should be involved along with the Merivale Precinct Society and tenant groupings. This had been advanced to the extent that thought was presently being given to establishing an incorporated society to move to formalise their collective involvement in the project in tandem with the Council. There was also a keenness amongst the retailers to contribute financially to the project.

Having assessed the various component elements of the scheme including costings, the Working Party agreed to recommend the following to the Board.

PAPANUI ROAD

Supply and installation of 20 ready trees in tree-pits with granite paver surrounds etc	\$21,000
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RUGBY STREET

Supply and install ready trees in footpath and grass berm	\$1,600
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2. contd.

MANSFIELD AVENUE

Intersection improvements including site preparation, new kerb and channel, cut-down kerb etc	\$2,420
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TOPIARY TREES

50% deposit on the purchase of 50 topiary trees (total cost \$5,250)	\$2,625
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With regard to the proposed 'pocket plaza', the business representatives undertook to arrange a meeting with other retailers and Tower Corporation and for the outcomes of this meeting to be reported back to the Working Party in several weeks time at which Tower representatives would also be invited to attend.

The business people were also encouraged to make a submission to the Council's 1998 Plan for funds to be included for the Merivale project.

St George's Hospital indicated a keen interest to be involved in the street plantings along the Leinster Road and Papanui Road frontages of their property and in this regard liaison between their landscape architect and officers from the City Streets and City Design Units was offered.

Recommendation: That the funding allocation detailed above be confirmed by the Board.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 9.12 AM