

**10. WORKS AND TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
- REPORT OF 13 JULY 1999**

RR 10376

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The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Committee's meeting held on 13 July as **follows**:

**Report of a meeting held on Tuesday 13 July 1999 at 8.00 am
in the Meeting Room, Fendalton Service Centre**

PRESENT: Val Carter (Chairman), Diana Bradley (until 9.52 am), Sally Buck, Pat Harrow, Keith Nuttall, Barbara Stewart, Mike Wall (from 9.44 am), Ron Wright (until 8.57 am)

ALSO PRESENT: Inspector Graeme Cairns, New Zealand Police

1. APOLOGY An apology for lateness was received from Mike Wall.

2. TUDOR AVENUE/GOTHIC PLACE – TRAFFIC CALMING REQUEST

RR 10261

Consideration was given to a report from the Area Engineer in response to requests from residents in Tudor Avenue seeking the provision of traffic calming measures in their street.

The report mentioned the development of the Tudor Avenue LATMS in 1994 which showed a threshold at each end of Tudor Avenue. Only one was constructed at the intersection of Tudor Avenue and Greers Road in 1996, the other being deferred due to budget constraints.

Arising from an accident at the corner of Gothic Place and Tudor Avenue several residents had more recently requested that the issues of the street being used as a short cut and vehicle speed again be addressed.

The report noted that from the data collected, these issues did not appear to show a significant problem at the present time.

In its consideration of the matters raised, the Committee acknowledged that perhaps the time was right to be looking at other less costly options to achieve traffic calming improvements including a need for consistency to be applied across the City.

The opportunity existed for the Board to therefore look at other treatment options in conjunction with the affected residents and that this could be timed to follow the forthcoming Traffic Institute Conference where other traffic control ideas may emerge.

Recommendation: That consideration be given to possible traffic calming options in Tudor Avenue in conjunction with the affected residents and that this follow the August New Zealand Local Authority Traffic Institute Conference.

3. CHRISTIAN STREET/PITCAIRN CRESCENT – VEHICLE SPEED REDUCTION REQUEST

RR 10259

The Area Engineer submitted a report setting out proposed actions in response to requests from residents in Christian Street for restricting vehicle speeds, installing warning signs and discussing different treatment options.

From the data gathered the report concluded that there was not an apparent problem with the speed or volumes of traffic using either of the streets at the present time.

Recommendation: That options such as the use of flags, warning signs be discussed with the Kindergarten and the affected residents and that this occur following the New Zealand Local Authority Traffic Institute Conference in August.

4. OTARA STREET – KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL

RR 10260

Two plans were submitted showing the proposed street layout for the new kerb and channel in Otarā Street between Hamilton Avenue and Memorial Avenue.

The first plan addressed issues raised by the residents including enhanced landscaping and a request to reduce the number of vehicles using the street.

The second plan acknowledged that the stormwater pipe under the Memorial Avenue end of the street needed replacement and the Water Services Unit saw an opportunity to provide a landscape feature by closing this end of the street to vehicle access and to replace the pipe with a meandering stream as shown on the second plan.

The general feeling of members was to support the plan showing the standard kerb and channel renewal treatment as a basis for consultation rather than the waterway enhancement option which, although desirable, was not seen as being essential.

It was also noted that the nearby Eye Clinic relied on Otara Street for vehicle access purposes and that to stop the road at the Memorial Avenue intersection would have a consequential traffic effect especially for other roads in the locality.

Recommendation: That Option 1 along with an 8 metre threshold at the Otara Street/Hamilton Avenue intersection be endorsed for circulation for public comment.

5. POYNDER AVENUE – KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL AND STREET TREES- UPDATE

RR 9919

It was reported that to date, 22 responses had been received on the matter of the trees with a clear majority indicating a preference for the magnolia option.

It was advised that a further report on the outcomes of the completed consultation would be made to the Committee's next meeting.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

6. MEMORIAL AVENUE – PLANTING PROJECT

Further to the Committee meeting on 18 May, officers had continued to work with Christchurch International Airport Limited and the Christchurch Beautifying Association on details associated with the concept plan including staging, funding and maintenance.

The Landscape Architect (Andrew Craig) was in attendance and he provided the Committee with an updated copy of the earlier plan reflecting the discussions that had occurred.

Key changes included the provision of additional pin oaks in the median, the relocation of the memorial plaque, the shifting of the red beech trees and the possible re-siting of the Spitfire in the general vicinity of the Orchard Road roundabout.

From the information submitted, it was apparent that the Airport Company would be making a key contribution in terms of undertaking a lot of the planting, although it was noted that this involvement had yet to be formally recorded. Indications so far in relation to the revised plan were that costings could be in the order of \$5,000 which would align itself to the amount provided by the Board. Final costings though still needed to be determined.

The Committee was generally supportive of the revisions made to the earlier plan and members noted that the Airport Company's formal involvement and final costings still needed to be received before final Board approval could be given to the plan.

Recommendation: That the update report be received.

7. MERIVALE RESERVE – LANDSCAPE CONCEPT

Submitted for the Committee's consideration was the proposed landscape plan for the new reserve in Rugby Street as prepared by Craig Benson, Consultant Landscape Architect who was in attendance to speak to the plan.

Elements of the plan were elaborated on and as it was suggested that the Merivale Precinct Society should be invited to be actively involved in the consultation arrangements.

Members were supportive of the plan including the registering of the Weeping Elm and London Plane as heritage trees.

- Recommendations:**
1. That the landscape concept for the reserve in Rugby Street be endorsed for circulation for public comment at the appropriate time.
 2. That the Weeping Elm and London Plane be recommended for Heritage listing.

8. COMMITTEE MEETING TIMES

Submitted for consideration was a schedule setting out suggested meeting times for the Committee covering the balance of this year and into 2000.

It was noted that the dates proposed did not represent automatic meeting times but rather those that could be used when the extent of business required a meeting to be held.

The Committee **decided** on the following schedule with meetings to commence at 8.00 am:

Tuesday	17 August 1999	No meeting in January
	14 September 1999	15 February 2000
	12 October 1999	14 March 2000
	9 November 1999	18 April 2000
		16 May 2000
		13 June 2000
		18 July 2000
		15 August 2000

The meeting concluded at 10.15 am.

Chairman's

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