20. WORKS AND TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE -REPORT OF 30 NOVEMBER 1998

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The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Committee meeting held on 30 November at which consideration was given to the renewal of the kerb and channel in Lothian Street, updates on Aikmans Road at Elmwood School and Normans Road at St Andrews College.

Joint Committee representation on the matter of Maidstone/Waimairi and Wadeley Roads was also addressed and site visits to Garden Road (traffic management) and Bristol Street (surplus road land) are reported on for which the Committee had power to act.

The report from the Committee **follows**.

FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY BOARD

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Held on Monday 30 November 1998 at 8.00 am in the Meeting Room, Fendalton Service Centre and On-site

PRESENT: Val Carter (Chairman), Diana Bradley, Pat Harrow, Keith Nuttall,

Mike Wall, Ron Wright

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

2. ELECTION OF DEPUTY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Mike Wall was elected Deputy Chairman of the Committee.

3. LOTHIAN STREET KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL-UPDATE RR 8784

The matter of residents feedback to the proposed renewal of kerb and channel in Lothian Street was reported to the Board on 17 November and it was resolved that members undertake an early sight visit (with power to act) to determine whether it was appropriate for the project to proceed.

A site visit was undertaken on Tuesday 24 November at 6.00 pm with members Diana Bradley, Sally Buck, Val Carter, Pat Harrow, Barbara Stewart and Mike Wall in attendance. Appropriate staff were also present to explain the extent of the work and answer a number of questions from members.

It was **decided** that the project should proceed in accordance both with the design proposed and with the Council's ongoing asset renewal programme.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

4. AIKMANS ROAD AT ELMWOOD SCHOOL-UPDATE RR 7476

The Committee was advised that on 24 November 1998, a meeting involving Council staff and school representatives was held to discuss progress made by the school in response to concerns earlier expressed at a public meeting by residents at the degree of activity associated with the operation of the Elmwood Auditorium.

At that meeting, the school representatives expressed their sincere thanks for the action earlier initiated by the Board regarding the provision of parking limit lines along Aikmans Road. In general this action had resulted in a marked improvement in parking adjacent to the school although there were still ongoing instances of indiscriminate parking etc by parents when dropping off or uplifting children from the school.

The school representatives advised they had engaged an architect to draft a proposal based on the provision of an additional gateway for vehicle access to on-site parking

within the school area. This proposal was expected shortly and when available would be forwarded to the Area Engineer for his information.

The work proposed would also need to be accompanied by the creation of an appropriate vehicle crossing at a cost of approximately \$2,000. The school representatives had enquired as to whether the Board might be in a position to provide financial support towards its provision.

Recommendation:

That the report be received and that the forthcoming meeting of the Board's Finance and Planning Committee favourably consider the Board allocating \$1,000 as a contribution to the provision of a new vehicle crossing at Elmwood School to serve the Elmwood Auditorium.

5. NORMANS ROAD-ST ANDREWS COLLEGE-UPDATE

The Area Engineer reported on progress to date with regard to the pedestrian safety and parking issues associated with St Andrews College details of which are as follows.

- The City Streets Pedestrian Advocate is arranging, in consultation with St Andrews College and other City Street's Unit staff, the installation of a kea crossing facility in Normans Road on the west side the College Avenue intersection. This work is programmed to start early in the New Year and will provide a safe crossing point for school children across Normans Road. Kerb extensions funded by the Board are part of these improvements.
- St Andrews College has a consultant designing a new area for parents to leave or pickup their children, and a larger parking area to accommodate all their staff vehicles, both within the College grounds. This work will enable traffic to flow better on Normans Road during peak times, and reduce the parking demand on streets around the College.
- The College is also investigating the possibility of having another vehicle entrance onto one of the adjacent streets to reduce the traffic demands around the school's Normans Road frontage.

Mention was also made over traffic safety concerns associated with the actions of Heaton Intermediate pupils crossing Normans Road at the beginning and end of the school day. It was **agreed** to refer this matter to Senior Constable John Hodgen to discuss with the school directly.

It was proposed that the Fendalton members meet as a Subcommittee with representatives of St Andrews College to bring themselves up to date with the College's proposals as a prelude to the earlier offered second public meeting which would be arranged early in the new year.

Recommendation:

That the information be received and that a Subcommittee comprising the Fendalton members meet with St Andrews College as a prelude to a further public meeting to be held early in 1999.

6. MAIDSTONE/WAIMAIRI ROAD AND WADELEY ROAD -JOINT COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION

During the term of the last Board a Joint Committee of both the Fendalton/Waimairi and Riccarton/Wigram Community Boards was established to deal with a range of traffic management issues involving Wadeley Road and the intersection of Maidstone and Waimairi Roads.

With there being still further work to be done, it was proposed that each Board reappoint representatives to a Joint Committee on the basis that its deliberations would be reported back to each Board for individual determination.

Recommendation: That Val Carter, Diana Bradley and Mike Wall be appointed to

represent the Board on the Joint Committee of the Fendalton/Waimairi

and Riccarton/Wigram Community Boards.

7. SITE VISITS

7.1 GARDEN ROAD-TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

In receiving a report on the above matter at its meeting on 17 November, the Board decided that the Committee further consider the options proposed and report back. To assist with this assessment, a site visit was undertaken.

The general feeling was that solutions other than those specified in the submitted report including the mid-block road hump option should be further explored. In this regard mention was made of installing 'Children' warning signs, possible paint markings on the approaches to the kindergarten and a request being made to the Police to undertake speed enforcement.

The recommendation that follows, was formulated upon returning to the Service Centre.

Recommendation: That 'Children' warning signs be installed and that staff consider and

report back on other options aimed at controlling vehicle speeds and further that the Traffic Section of the Police be asked to undertake

traffic speed enforcement on Garden Road.

Note: Keith Nuttall declared interest and withdrew from the meeting during consideration of

this item.

7.2 SURPLUS ROAD LAND OUTSIDE 115 BRISTOL STREET

The Board had on 17 November, granted the Committee power to act to consider the matter of surplus legal road at 115 Bristol Street and to report directly to the 10-December Council meeting.

The report earlier submitted to the Board was recirculated as background information.

Having undertaken the site visit and upon returning to the Service Centre, members were supportive of the land being retained in Council ownership.

Resolved: That it be recommended to the Council that the small portion of

surplus legal road outside 115 Bristol Street be retained by the

Council.

The meeting concluded at 9.30 am.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the report be received and the various recommendations be

adopted.