9. TOMRICH STREET - TRAFFIC CALMING

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of the outcome of investigations arising from a petition requesting that "judder bars," be installed in Tomrich Street. This petition was presented to the Board at its 3 May meeting.

Sixty four residents from the vicinity of Tomrich Street signed the petition expressing their concern, "at the traffic that readily speeds in this location endangering lives."

A traffic volume and speed survey was carried out in Tomrich Street over a period of seven days from the 22 to 28 May 1999. The average daily traffic count was 222 vehicles, with an average vehicle speed of 36 km/h. The 85th percentile speed was 46 km/h with peak speeds being recorded between 65-80 km/h.

The average speed of vehicles is lower than what would normally be expected for such a street. The fact that 85% of all vehicles are travelling at, or less than 46 km/h is also very good. The few vehicles that are travelling at excessive speeds is an enforcement issue, and traffic calming will not eliminate this problem.

If the problem were greater, it would be appropriate to install two speed humps (*see attached map, page 31*). However the ranking process for Neighbourhood Improvement Work using the information gathered puts this project some years out. The Board may wish to fund the project earlier. The estimated cost for this work is \$7,000.

The South Aranui area is not covered by a Local Area Traffic Management Scheme (LATMS).

The New Brighton Police have been made aware of the residents' concerns.

Recommendations:	1.	That the information be received.
	2.	That the organiser of the petition be informed of the Board's decision.
Chairperson's Recommendation:	1.	That the aforementioned recommendations be adopted.
	2.	That the Police be requested to patrol speeding traffic in Tomrich Street.