5. WORKS AND TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - REPORT OF 18 MAY 1999

RR 9994

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The purpose of this report is to submit for the Board's consideration, the **following** Committee report and recommendations.

Report of a meeting held on Tuesday 18 May 1999 at 8.00 am at the Bishopdale Mall Carpark and Bishopdale Community Centre

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

Keith Nuttall, Barbara Stewart, Mike Wall

Keith Nuttall arrived at 8.50 am and was not present for

clauses 2 and 5.

Barbara Stewart and Diana Bradley left the meeting at 9.30 am and 9.34 am respectively and were not present for

clause 6.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Sally Buck and Ron Wright.

2. BISHOPDALE MALL SOUTH CARPARK IMPROVEMENTS RR 9740

The Committee met on-site and had explained to them details of the proposed improvements to be made to the south carpark at the Bishopdale Mall.

Funds for the work were available in the 1999/2000 budget and included the construction of two road humps and central islands in the western end of the carpark area.

The new islands and plantings were to discourage through-traffic from speeding between the hotel carpark and Raleigh Street and the road humps were proposed to reduce vehicle speeds in the area heavily used by pedestrians.

The Committee also had before it the concerns earlier expressed by the Bishopdale Community Access Group regarding pedestrian safety and power chair movements in the general area of the carpark including the poor state of the footpath by the creche.

Mr. David Parkinson of Dunross Lands Limited, the owner of the adjoining tavern property, was in attendance and he explained the development plans for the site including changes to be made to the existing carpark layout. There was no wish to eliminate the current link between the two carparks as part of the redevelopment.

Upon moving to the Community Centre, the Committee further considered the individual elements of the proposed plan and mention was also made of the pending report to come to the Board regarding future options for the Bishopdale Mall.

Members felt that until the 'big picture' issues were considered it was premature to proceed with the carpark improvements with the exception of the intended road hump between the two carparks. The matter of undertaking some maintenance to the footpath alongside the Bishopdale Creche as raised by the Bishopdale Community Access Group has been referred to the City Streets Unit for action.

Recommendation: That the proposed road hump between the two carparks proceed but that the balance of the proposed improvements be placed on hold until the review of the Bishopdale Mall is completed.

3. CYCLE LANE RED SURFACE COLOURING

RR 9774

Alix Newman from the City Streets Unit was in attendance to explain to the Committee the use of red cycle lane surface colouring and to seek comments on the future use of the treatment.

In a wide ranging discussion, members indicated a preference for such coloured markings to be applied at stress points such as at traffic signals and in the vicinity of schools on say main roads and with high cycle usage. Examples referred to included Fendalton Road at the Harper/Deans intersection, Rossall Street near Holmwood Road/Merivale Lane and on Greers Road on the approaches to Burnside High and Christ the King Schools.

Based on feedback received from the Community Boards, a schedule of likely locations and possible trial areas would be prepared in the near future.

Recommendation: That the above points form the basis of the Board's response.

4. MEMORIAL AVENUE - PLANTING PROJECT

Representatives from Christchurch International Airport Limited and the Christchurch Beautifying Association were in attendance to discuss aspects of the planting/concept plan for Memorial Avenue between the two roundabouts.

The representatives expressed some reservations as to the extent of the plan now proposed when compared to what was originally envisaged. There was an acknowledgement however that the basis of the plan was worth endorsing albeit that aspects of funding, staging, maintenance etc still needed to be worked through in more detail.

In this regard it was suggested that staff work closely with the Airport Company and the Beautifying Association to formulate a staged proposal that also dealt with maintenance issues and that this be brought back to the Committee in the first instance.

Recommendation:

That officers continue to work with Christchurch International Airport Limited and the Christchurch Beautifying Association on details associated with the concept plan including staging, funding, maintenance etc and report back to the Committee in the near future.

5. GARDEN ROAD – PROPOSED TRAFFIC RESTRAINT

RR 9918

A report was submitted advising the results of a survey of Garden Road residents undertaken in response to the Board's earlier request to seek feedback on the provision of the proposed traffic restraint.

The Committee was advised that survey results showed that 30 residents supported and 14 residents opposed the proposal with seven of those opposing the work living in the immediate vicinity of the proposed road hump.

Given that there was no recorded accident history and the speed of vehicles using the street was not high, members were of the view that the work should not proceed at least until such time as the kerb and channel was due for renewal.

Recommendation:

That the proposed traffic restraint in Garden Road not proceed at the present time due to there being no crash history and vehicle speeds not being high but that the situation be reviewed when the kerb and channel renewal is programmed.

Note:

Keith Nuttall declared an interest in this item and withdrew from the meeting during consideration of the clause.

6. POYNDER AVENUE – KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL

RR 9919

Submitted for consideration were the contents of the publicity plan prepared showing the proposed layout for the new kerb and channels that arose out of earlier consultation with the residents of Poynder Avenue.

Mention was made of the dialogue presently underway with the residents regarding the existing Plane trees and it was **agreed** that Walter Fielding-Cotterell be invited to attend the next meeting of the Board to provide an update on this aspect.

Also considered was the matter of maintenance and after-care of the landscaping by the residents and it was requested that this be covered in the brochure to be circulated.

Recommendation: That the proposal be circulated for public comment and

that the responses received be reviewed in consultation

with the residents, if necessary.

THE COMMUNITY ADVOCATE COMMENTS:

"Since the Committee's meeting, further information has come to hand regarding the process for assessment of the long term future for the existing Plane trees in Poynder Avenue (and Wroxton Terrace and Garden Road).

It would seem that an overall consultation process seeking comment on both the kerb and channel project, and the future of the street trees, should now be pursued rather than handling these as separate items. To this end, the publicity brochure should embrace both subjects.

COMMUNITY ADVOCATE'S

RECOMMENDATION: That the proposal for public comment cover both the kerb

and channel renewal project and the future for the street trees in Poynder Avenue, and that the responses received be reviewed in consultation with the residents, as

appropriate.

The meeting concluded at 10.15 am.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the report of the Committee be received and the

recommendations therein be adopted.