

12. **RICCARTON/WIGRAM WORKS AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE  
REPORT OF 27 MAY 1999 MEETING**

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The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Works and Traffic Committee meeting held on Thursday 27 May 1999.

The meeting was attended by Helen Broughton (Chair), David Buist, Ishwar Ganda and Mike Mora.

In attendance were Martin Maguire (Community Advocate), Paul Burden (Community Engineer) and Roger Cave (Community Secretary).

**1. ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY COLLEGE, MIDDLEPARK ROAD**

The Committee was in receipt of a letter from the College in which concerns were expressed at *“the danger to our students caused by traffic at the entrance to our college...”*.

Problems arose from (mainly) the afternoon departure of students and the mix of *“buses, bikes, pedestrians, double parking, parking on yellow lines and speeding traffic”*.

Playing fields were situated on the opposite side of the road; this added further problems!

An on-site visit was made to the College.

The following option was seen as providing the best benefit to the school, the students, and in addressing traffic speed on Middlepark Road.

It was noted that any decision by the Board to proceed with these traffic management works would require a Council waiver of existing policy as a Local Area Traffic Management Scheme is not currently in place for this area.

- Recommendation:**
1. That the proposal for two road narrowing works, with associated asphalt humps, be considered by the College and local community in the first instance.
  2. That the College give consideration to the realigning of their main driveway to a point at the apex of the corner.

**2. WADELEY ROAD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT**

The public meeting held on Monday 10 May 1999 to discuss traffic management in and around Wadeley Road was well attended by local residents.

A number of options were presented at the meeting with the clear majority of residents in favour of reducing the speed of traffic in Wadeley Road, while improving egress from Wadeley Road into both Maidstone Road and Waimairi Road.

A proposal was drafted at the meeting which met the residents objectives (*see attached plan*). The meeting was very conclusive and well attended. As such it is considered that the Council has a strong commitment to proceed with this proposal.

The proposal was sent to local residents recently. Any “strong concerns” that residents may have with the proposal were to respond to the Community Engineer by 28 May 1999.

It is understood that City Streets Unit is “on standby” to initiate the actual construction of these traffic management works.

The work is estimated to cost \$30,000; the balance of funds provided by the Board (\$15,000) will be carried forward to 1999/00 for reallocation.

**Recommendation:** That the Board endorse the attached proposal for Wadeley Road.

**3. GIVE WAY CONTROLS CLYDE / KIRKWOOD : CLYDE / HINAU**

The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the board to install give way controls against Kirkwood Avenue and Hinau Streets at their intersection with Clyde Road.

It has been brought to my attention that considerable confusion and delay is occurring at the above intersections due to there being no formal control on the minor roads, ie Kirkwood Avenue and Hinau Street. Generally speaking there is an expectation from motorists that vehicles turning right off the main road should have priority over vehicles turning right out of the minor road. Of course the “give way” rules at uncontrolled junctions state the opposite. This results in general confusion, particularly during peak times when university and school traffic contributes to the rather significant volumes of traffic using these intersections.

The visibility at the intersections is good and therefore a “give way” control rather than a “stop” control is considered the most appropriate way of overcoming this problem. There are give way controls at other T junctions in the area and of particular note is the one at the intersection of Ilam and Kirkwood which was installed by the Board several years ago due to a similar problem.

**Recommendation:**

1. That a give way control be placed against Kirkwood Avenue at the Clyde Road intersection.
2. That a give way control be placed against Hinau Street at the Clyde Road intersection.

#### 4. CROSS SUBURBAN BUS STOPS

Previously the Board received a proposal to provide a cross suburban bus service linking major retail locations, Princess Margaret Hospital and the University. Details of the route have previously been reported through the Board. Planning has now reached the point where it is necessary to look at the siting of bus stops.

Obviously the parts of the route that are already serviced by buses will not require much in the way of new stops, although there are some locations such as near the railway station where new stops are proposed.

In total there are seven (7) new stops proposed within the Riccarton/Wigram Board area. In each instance the property owners' consent has been obtained.

**Recommendation:** That bus stops be installed at the following locations:

1. Whiteleigh Avenue outside number 35 (Columbus Distributors)
2. Whiteleigh Avenue outside number 10 (Railway Station)
3. Waimairi Road outside number 17.
4. Waimairi Road outside number 20 (Woolworths Bush Inn)
5. Waimairi Road outside number 57a.
6. Waimairi Road outside Homestead Green.
7. Ilam Road outside number 129 (University of Canterbury, Maori Language).

#### 5. TRAFFIC PRIORITIES

The Committee received a schedule of traffic priorities which could be considered for funding in 1999/00.

The schedule will be given further consideration at the next meeting of the Committee.

#### 6. FURTHER MATTERS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

- Riccarton Road Traffic Management Plan
- Blenheim Road Realignment
- Halswell Road / Sparks Road / Kennedys Bush Road Intersection
- Cashmere Road site

#### Chairperson's

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  2. That St Thomas of Canterbury College give consideration to the realigning of their main driveway to a point at the apex of the corner.

3. That the Board endorse the attached proposal for Wadeley Road on page 29.
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