5. CORRESPONDENCE

SPEEDING TRAFFIC ON MERRINGTON CRESCENT

The following letter was received from Mr Peter Hays, regarding speeding traffic on Merrington Crescent:

"I have lived on Merrington Crescent for the past 12 years. Over the past six years the problem of speeding traffic has become an increasing problem.

Three years ago I approached the Council to enquire about speed humps being installed, I was then told that it would be three years for this to happen.

We still have no speed humps in place and still have speeding traffic in a residential street that has:

- a Kohanga Reo,
- a playcentre,
- a playground, and
- two right angled bends

Some of the speeding traffic are local people but there are others from outside the area who use the street as a race track, seeing how fast they can go around the corners.

I have contacted the Police but they ask me to obtain the registration numbers of the car, I do not see this as the role of a resident.

I ask that the Community Board urgently consider the installation of speed humps or something else to stop the speeding vehicles.

If this is not done I feel the City Council must take responsibility and the liability when someone is injured or killed.

I would like this in writing that they will take this responsibility or act now to slow traffic down so I can forward to my solicitor as the Council only promise and never take the appropriate action.

The neighbour who was trying to get some action here has since died.

The Council have been in the street three years ago, but as usual pass on to someone else.

I have the support of a good neighbourhood.

I have thought of calling "Paul Holmes", a radio or TV station to have this problem solved."

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the Area Engineer report to the Board on the speeding traffic

issues in Merrington Street.