

17. WARD BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENTS: MEETING REPORT

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This is a report of an informal joint meeting between representatives of the Spreydon/Heathcote, Burwood/Pegasus, Shirley/Papanui and Hagley/Ferrymead Community Boards, held to discuss ward boundary adjustments. The meeting was held in the Boardroom at the Linwood Service Centre on Thursday 29 June 2000 at 4.30pm

Those present were:

Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board

Bob Todd (Chairman), John Freeman, Charles Manning, Derek McCullough, Aaron O'Brien, Linda Rutland and Community Advocate, Jude Pani

Shirley/Papanui Community Board

Dennis Hills

Burwood/Pegasus community Board

Chrissie Williams and Community Advocate Dennis Morgan

Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board

Oscar Alpers, Lynda Carter, Phil Clearwater, Barry Corbett, Sonia Gill, Elizabeth Maunsel, Sue Wells and Community Advocate, Nick Chapman

Council Secretary, Max Robertson

INTRODUCTION

This meeting had been convened on the initiative of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board to provide an opportunity for an informal round table discussion between representatives of the Community Boards involved on possible adjustments to Ward boundaries.

DISCUSSION

1. Pleasant Point Yacht Club and Estuary Edge

Chrissie Williams outlined to the meeting the concerns of the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board which believes that there is a community of interest between the Pleasant Point Yacht Club and the Pegasus Ward.

Burwood/Pegasus has an interest in the Estuary edge – issues relating to this Estuary edge always come to the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board and this Board believes that it should undertake responsibility for the Southshore Estuary edge and that having two Community Boards taking an interest in the Estuary would help to emphasise the importance of the Estuary to the whole area.

Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board members present supported this view point and agreed to take to their Board the proposal that three meshblocks bordering the eastern edge of the Estuary and including the Pleasant Point Yacht Club be transferred from the Ferrymead Ward to the Pegasus Ward. These meshblocks are: 2,700,800; 2,555,500 and 2,555,800. These meshblocks have no resident population.

2. Proposal To Include The Sydenham Business District In The Heathcote Ward

The Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board had proposed that the boundary between the Hagley Ward and the Heathcote Ward shift from Brougham Street to the railway line to allow the Sydenham Business District bounded by the railway line, Antigua Street, Brougham Street and Waltham Road to be transferred from the Hagley Ward to the Heathcote Ward. A clear community of interest between the Sydenham Business District and the areas to the south and southwest was cited as the reason for this proposal.

The meshblocks to be transferred from the Hagley Ward to the Heathcote Ward are:

2,616,400; 2,616,300; 2,617,200; 2,616,500; 2,616,600; 2,616,800; 2,617,000; 2,617,300; 2,616,700; 2,616,900; 2,617,100; 2,617,400; 2,617,500; 2,617,700; 2,618,100; 2,618,300; 2,618,800; 2,617,800; 2,618,400; 2,617,900; 2,618,500; 2,618,900; 2,619,000; 2,618,000; 2,618,600; 2,619,100; 2,618,700. The resident population in these meshblock areas is 324.

After discussion, the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board members present agreed to take this proposed ward boundary change back to their Board for reconsideration.

3. Proposal That The Waltham Area Be Transferred From The Hagley Ward To The Heathcote Ward

The Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board proposed that the Waltham area bounded by Hastings Street East, Wilsons Road, Brougham Street and Waltham Road be transferred from the Hagley Ward to the Heathcote Ward. A community of interest between this area and Sydenham and the areas to the south was cited as the reason for this adjustment.

The Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board members present supported this proposed boundary adjustment and agreed to take this proposal back to their Board for reconsideration.

This boundary adjustment involves the transfer of the following meshblocks from the Hagley Ward to the Heathcote Ward: 2,624,302; 2,624,402; 2,624,502 and 2,624,602. The resident population within these meshblocks is 205.

4. Proposal That The Area Of The Heathcote Ward Bounded By The Railway Line, Chapmans Road, Port Hills Road And Then Following The Ward Boundary To The Summit Road And Then Back Along The Meshblock Boundaries To Include Avoca Valley Road, Port Hills Road And Curries Road Be Transferred From The Heathcote Ward To The Ferrymead Ward

This boundary change had been proposed by the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board.

After discussion, a more limited Ward boundary adjustment was proposed which involved the transfer from the Heathcote to the Ferrymead Ward of the open hillside up to the Summit Road and including Avoca Valley Road in this transfer.

This transfer would incorporate meshblocks 2,554,200 and 2,553,702 only, but would exclude the areas on each side of Port Hills Road and as far as Curries Road, which had originally been proposed.

Members of both the Spreydon/Heathcote and Hagley/Ferrymead Community Boards who were in attendance supported this proposed Ward Boundary adjustment.

5. Proposed Adjustment Of The Northern Boundary Of The Hagley Ward Into The Richmond Area

It was agreed not to pursue this proposal further.

The meeting concluded at 5.30pm.

Recommendation: That the changes provisionally agreed with the Hagley-Ferrymead Community Board be endorsed.