## 9. EFFINGHAM STREET - TRAFFIC CONCERNS

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of a concern from a resident of Effingham Street over the speed of vehicles in the street, and the outcome of the investigations undertaken.

Effingham is a residential street that runs between Marine Parade and Beach Road with a right angle bend by Surfers Place. The residents' concern is for the speed of vehicles in the vicinity of the bend. Tedder Avenue and Pacific Road are two important local roads in this area, which intersect Effingham Street. Observations show that both Tedder Avenue and Pacific Road are used with Effingham Street as a short cut for motorists travelling from Marine Parade to the west. Effingham Street also serves as a bus route.

A speed survey was carried out in Effingham Street at a point east of Surfers Place over a seven-day period during February 2000. The average speed in the street was 50 km/h and the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed was 58 km/h. A copy of the speed survey data has been forwarded to the NZ Police at New Brighton for its information and appropriate enforcement action.

In the North New Brighton Neighbourhood Improvement Plan traffic calming work was identified in Effingham Street. However, funding to complete all of the improvement work identified in this plan has not achieved a rating sufficiently high enough to gain funding in the Neighbourhood Improvement Works programme on a citywide basis at this time.

Because Effingham Street is a residential street being used as a short cut for vehicles at various speeds, it would be of benefit to residents to use a speed check trailer in this area for a period of time. The City Streets Unit will shortly be placing an order for a speed check trailer that could be used for this purpose. This will help demonstrate to motorists and residents the extent of the problem in this street.

<b>Recommendations:</b>	1.	That the information be received.
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2. That the speed check trailer be used in Effingham Street.

Chairperson'sRecommendation:That the aforementioned recommendations be adopted.