

## 29. COMMUNITY BOARD SEMINAR MEETING REPORT

The Seminar Meeting of the Hagley Ferrymead Community Board was held Thursday 16 November 2000 at 3.30pm. The following matters were considered:

### 29.1 LINWOOD DRAIN

The intersection of Linwood Ave/Dyers Road requires realignment. Waterways enhancement implementation has been delayed while property negotiations and access issues for property owners are being resolved. Bob Hopkins (Protection Co-ordinator, Waterways and Wetlands) attended the meeting to provide a presentation on the proposals for enhancements to the Linwood Drain in the vicinity of Dyers Road/Linwood intersection. Bob Hopkins continues to be optimistic that the implementation of the enhancement work will be completed next year.

The Board was asked to consider two options included in the planned enhancement of the drain. Current plans allow for either a 5m or 10m median strip.

- (i) a 5m strip allows for a cycleway off the road.
- (ii) if widened to a 10m strip the cycleway would be on the edge of the seal. Board members supported the 5m median strip being implemented allowing the cycleway to be off the road.

Other enhancement concerns discussed: Bells Creek, 120 Aldwins Road currently being cleared to provide enhancement here as part of a future long term development as resources allow. There is provision in the Asset Management Plan for some further purchases of land.

### 29.2 POLICE COMMUNITY LIAISON BRIEFING

Inspector Dave Lawry, Police Community Liaison Officer and Ray Hastie the Linwood Community Constable attended the meeting to brief the Board on Police initiatives in the Linwood area and sought assistance and support from the Board during the Police campaign to combat burglaries within the area.

Inspector Lawry briefed the Board on the profile of the Hagley/Ferrymead area, population make up, and a description of the Police presence available in the area.

#### Issues raised included:

- More crime cameras are desirable with possible funding by the Council with operators and maintenance supplied by the Police. Cameras “displace” crime and provide a perception that the city is safer.
- Current Police strategy includes a major push towards *Burglar Reduction* with a “perception alteration” and education response. Identifying and targeting the top 30 offenders and monitoring continual “victims” (considering advice and monetary assistance to victims to strengthen security etc.).
- Hagley/Ferrymead Board asked to consider supporting a Trust to enable this “victim support”.
- Proactive programmes are viewed as essential for children to effect a change of lifestyle, to reduce the offenders and victims of the future, while eminently desirable they are not seen as a Police task. School based programmes are working.

#### Suggested ways the Community Boards can assist:

- (i) Supporting more crime cameras (enhancing Police capacity).
- (ii) Lighting and camera surveillance (Linwood skate ramp) – keep the Police in the loop and consider the risks during planning stages.
- (iii) Financial support to Youth Initiatives focussing on life skills.
- (iv) Initiatives on “target hardening” – education/awareness of more prevention messages.
- (v) Co-ordinating messages via media, supporting the future anti-receiving campaign re burglary reduction – “networking”, and the Bicycle Helmet campaign.

Community Constable Ray Hastie gave a brief overview of his involvement in ongoing Police initiatives in the area:

- Constable Hastie is the liaison and support person for the Community Watch car.
- Overview of the “Interim Neighbourhood Support Group”.
- Graffiti Training Scheme workers have good support from John Dunphy, a recognition of “good work” event recommended.
- Youth Trust – budget and funding obtained.
- Initiatives continuing, After School Education, reading, (mentoring to be considered).

**Two issues raised by Board Member:** glue sniffers harassing visitors in the vicinity of Latimer Square and; vice in the central city, in particular Manchester Street.

Follow up by Inspector Dave Lawry to determine if programmes are planned for either.

### 29.3 PARKING STRATEGY PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Mike Calvert, Transport Engineer, Policy, attended and briefed the Board on the Parking Strategy Public consultation, and gave a preliminary overview of the submissions received (Paper provided, Christchurch Car Parking Strategy, Summary of Submissions 6 October 2000.

Submissions were received from 219 groups and individuals. Submissions have been summarised under 12 headings:

- (i) Central City: identified as an area of concern – lack of short term parking, traffic congestion.
  - (ii) Malls and Main Road Shopping: impact on surrounding residents.
  - (iii) Sports Grounds and Reserves (includes Hagley): parking availability vs availability of green space – impact of on street parking.
  - (iv) Education Facilities: lack of parking, safety and impact on surrounding areas.
  - (v) Residential : on street parking impact, ie. malls, schools etc.
  - (vi) Road Widening and Road Design: included request for public transport corridors and physically separated cycling and pedestrian ways.
  - (vii) Traffic Congestion: control by disincentives, removing parking, cost increase incentives to use alternative transport.
  - (viii) Alternative transport: public transport, car pool, cycle and walk.
  - (ix) Park and Ride: based outside 4 avenues, possible links with Rangiora, Kaiapoi and Rolleston.
  - (x) Public Attitude and Encouragement: public transport under utilised, promote by education and public promotion.
  - (xi) Overseas examples and experience: park and ride and light rail systems have been successful.
- Land use and Planning Issues: parking strategy needs to be considered alongside public transport strategy, cycle strategy, pedestrian strategy, Regional Land Transport Strategy.

#### **Next Step**

Submissions will be considered by the Traffic Advisory Group (TAGs) meeting in December this year or February 2001 with discussions and consultation. Mike Calvert concluded by agreeing to report back to the Board following discussion and consultation by the TAGs.

### 29.4 GENERAL BUSINESS

Skateboard Ramp, Linwood Park: Linda Rutland requested feedback on completion, “opening” and subsequent problems arising. Report requested from Gary Harrow and Helen Gallagher.

Derek McCullough requested a “calendar of local events” – Jude Pani advised that this request had already been forwarded to Helen Gallagher.

#### **Chairman’s**

**Recommendation:** That the information be received.