14. SPEEDING ISSUES - KAINGA

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The purpose of this report is to advise the Board of the outcomes of a meeting held at the Kainga Residents Hall on the 2 November 2000 to discuss speeding issues in and around Kainga.

BACKGROUND

The Board will recall that Mr Les Sands of the Kainga Residents Association attended the Board's meeting on 1 November 2000 to speak on the problems of speeding traffic through Kainga and also dangerous driving on the unformed roads adjoining the Waimakarari River, on Environment Canterbury land. He advised that a petition (tabled at this meeting) had been circulated around the village and signed by a good number of the residents seeking approval to post signs at each end of the village. The signs were to include the words "Welcome to Kainga," and "Zero Tolerance Area". The Board will recall that misgivings were expressed by Board members, and the police, about the words Zero Tolerance.

MEETING OF 2 NOVEMBER 2000

Several residents, the local community constable, an officer from Environment Canterbury and a staff member from the Papanui Advocacy Team attended the meeting at the Kainga Hall. The issues raised included the petition circulated around the village, speeding traffic through the village, speeding and dangerous driving on the roads along side the river on Environment Canterbury Land and along and off the stopbanks, underage riders on motorbikes and unwarranted and non registered vehicles being driven on the roads.

With regard to the signs and their wording, it was agreed that "Zero tolerance" was unsatisfactory in that it could, amongst other things, present a challenge to some people.

The community constable advised that use of the roads on Environment Canterbury land was subject to the same conditions of the Transport Act and Traffic Regulations as applied on gazetted public roads. He also advised that he was prepared to act on any breaches of this legislation.

After lengthy discussions on the issues the meeting resolved the following:

That the Residents Association write to:

- 1. Environment Canterbury asking them to post signs at each access to the river environs advising motorists to the effect that the roads on their land was subject to the Traffic Regulations and asking them to drive carefully.
- 2. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board seeking its support in their request to Environment Canterbury.
- 3. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board asking that the speed trailer be lent to the Association for use in their area.
- 4. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board asking to consider alternative wording on the signs to be erected at each end of the village. The words "Welcome to Kainga" to be retained.

Attached are copies of the letters received from the Association.

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Recommendation:	1.	The Board support the Kainga Residents Association in their request for signage at the access points to Environment Canterbury land.
	2.	The Board support the lending of the speed trailer to the Kainga Residents Association.
	3.	Staff, Police and the Residents Association meet to discuss suitable wording for the signs to be posted at each end of the village.
Chairperson's Recommendation:	That the officer's recommendation be adopted.	