

22. **NEW ZEALAND POLICE, HORNBY: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT TO ADDRESS DISORDERLY MOTORIST BEHAVIOUR IN THE KLONDYKE INDUSTRIAL SUBDIVISION**

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The purpose of this report is to seek consideration by the City Services Committee to the following report from the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board in response to a request from the Hornby Police to seek ways to address disorderly behaviour by motorists in the Klondyke industrial subdivision.

*The Community Board is aware that the September meeting of City Services Committee have asked the City Streets Manager to report on the anti-social and inappropriate behaviour by young motorists in Colombo Street and Cathedral Square.*

*We believe that these young persons leave town at midnight and head out to our industrial subdivisions around Hornby to carry on their inappropriate behaviour.....*

*The Officer in charge of Hornby Police, John Doyle approached our Board to see what Council support might be forthcoming.*

*On behalf of the Hornby Police, Messrs John Doyle and Paul Hughes were in attendance at a recent meeting of the Board's Works and Traffic Committee. The outcomes of this were discussed at the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board meeting held on Wednesday 4 October 2000.*

*Members will be aware of the ongoing concerns relating to the congregation of young people for the purpose of "drag racing" or doing "burn-outs" and general disorderly behaviour. Over recent years this type of activity has been occurring in the Klondyke subdivision.*

*The City Streets Unit spends a considerable sum of money every year repairing damage to road surfaces caused by these people pouring diesel over it to spin their tyres. The total cost to the community in damages alone exceeded \$100,000 last year.*

*The Police are limited in what action they can take.*

**POSSIBLE OPTIONS**

(a) *Bylaw*

*The Police have asked Council Officers to consider the development of a bylaw that prohibits private cars from entering these undeveloped areas during certain hours.*

(b) *No Stopping Restriction*

*An alternative to the bylaw would be a "no stopping" restriction covering the appropriate time of day.*

(c) *Physical Engineering Works*

*The development of things such as speed humps, Chicanes and other similar obstacles has proved largely ineffective in the past.*

(d) *Road Closure*

*The Police have the authority under the Local Government Act to close a road where they believe public disorder exists or is anticipated.*

**CONCLUSION**

*The Community Board believes that the “issue” of this disorderly behaviour needs to be discussed in the first instance but the consequences of this, only are being addressed.*

*This problem is producing a significant unwanted and unnecessary cost to the Police, the Council and ultimately the community. It is acknowledged that there are perhaps grounds for providing a purpose built facility for this type of activity. In the short term however it is important that steps are taken to eliminate the problem occurring in inappropriate places.*

*The most cost-effective solution to the problem is, in the opinion of the Community Board, a bylaw. We have strong support from the Police and the problem could be overcome quickly. The bylaw would initially apply to roads within the “Klondyke” subdivision by additional roads could be added if/when the problem surfaces elsewhere.*

*A draft bylaw (attached), was tabled at the meeting and is similar to that being used by two Auckland Councils to address the same issue.*

- Recommendation:**
1. That Council introduce a bylaw to restrict the use of roads (as listed in the following draft and schedule), being in force between the hours of 9.00 pm Friday to 5.00 am Monday inclusive, and including public holidays.
  2. That this be promoted to the October meeting of the City Services Committee as part of a city wide strategy to combat this problem.
  3. That the Board and Hornby Police seek speaking rights to that Committee, also.

**Chairman’s**

**Recommendation:** Not seen by Chairman.