

10. ST ALBANS BUS SERVICE EXTENSION

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(A number of residents will be present to discuss the proposed bus stop.)

The purpose of this report is to seek the Boards approval for the installation and deletion of bus stops for the St Albans bus route extension through East Papanui to Northlands.

The St Albans bus service has been revised as part of the North East Bus Service Review undertaken by Environment Canterbury during 2000. Extensive consultation and feedback from residents and bus passengers has assisted in the process to determine the new route. It is being extended to include the Ngaio Marsh Retirement Complex and Northlands Mall. This will allow many more people easier access to these destinations as well as the Papanui shops, the Papanui Service Centre and Library, and allow transfer to the Orbiter.

The additional section of the route will pass from Mays Road via Scotston Avenue, Tomes Road, Claremont Avenue, Paparoa Street, Rayburn Avenue, Grants Road and Grassmere Street to the Main North Road. The buses will proceed round the Harewood Road - Chapel Street block and terminate at the stop by the Mall in Langdons Road previously used by the Orbiter. The Orbiter will be transferring to the Stop on the Main North Road in front of the Mall. The revised St Albans service is to begin on 20 November 2000.

Buses will run to the city at 30 minute intervals at peak times and every hour to the city and Northlands at off-peak times. It is understood that a total of 13 trips per day are proposed. There is no provision for night or weekend services.

The buses to be used on this route are a smaller 30 seat model and will be powered by LPG.

BUS STOPS

The stops have been located in order to provide the best access for the majority of people, while at the same time allowing the bus to travel as freely as possible and to stop a minimum amount of times.

Where there are presently bus stops they have been used where possible and appropriate. Some existing bus stops are being removed as part of a rationalisation process in the interests of an effective and efficient service.

The stops have been located in accordance with the Bus Stop Location Policy (1999) and Our Future - Our Choice - Christchurch Public Passenger Transport Strategy (1998).

CONSULTATION

In locating new bus stops, a number of locations are investigated by the Assistant Planner and Area Engineer to assess suitability. Property owners adjacent to such locations are consulted.

It is preferred to locate stops where agreement has been gained from the property owner. Where this is not possible a decision and recommendation has to be made as to what is the best location for the greater good of the community and all stakeholders, bus users, potential bus users, motorists, residents and the bus operator.

Some strong localised opposition has been expressed to the provision of the extended bus service through a small part of this route. This opposition by a pocket of residents has also been applied in particular to the provision and location of bus stops. In other areas the service and location of stops has been enthusiastically welcomed.

Recommendations for new bus stop locations where we are aware that the property owner is opposed: 1 (85 Innes Road), 5, 12, 13, 15, 17.

Tony Hallams from the Innes Road/Mays Road Neighbourhood Group and Douceline Wardle of the St Albans Residents Association have been consulted regarding the proposed stop locations. Both have expressed support for these bus stop changes.

Where agreement has not been obtained from the adjacent property owners they have been invited to express their viewpoint to the Board at this meeting.

All the streets are classified as local roads and the Boards resolutions will become regulatory.

Recommendations:

That the following bus stop changes be approved:

1. That a bus stop be installed on the west side of Bretts Road commencing at a point 25 metres from its intersection with Innes Road and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (85 Innes Road-Bretts Road frontage & 7 Bretts Road).
2. That the bus stop on the east side of Bretts Road commencing at a point 30 metres from its intersection with Weston Road and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 12 metres be removed (32 Bretts Road).
3. That the bus stop on the west side of Bretts Road commencing at a point 14 metres from its intersection with Knowles Street and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 12 metres be removed (23 Bretts Road).

4. That a bus stop be installed on the north side of Weston Road commencing at a point 26 metres from its intersection with Bretts Road and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (97a, Weston Road).
5. That a bus stop be installed on the south side of Weston Road commencing at a point 28 metres from its intersection with Bretts Road and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (92 Weston).
6. That a bus stop be installed on the south side of Weston Road commencing at a point 21 metres from its intersection with Rutland Street and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (144 & 148 Weston Road).
7. That a bus stop be installed on the north side of Weston Road commencing at a point 14 metres from its intersection with Rutland Street and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (149 Weston Road).
8. That the bus stop on the south side of Mays Road commencing at a point 6 metres from its intersection with Tavendale Street and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres be removed (120 Mays Road).
9. That the bus stop on the north side of Mays Road commencing at a point 42 metres from its intersection with Tavendale Place and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres be removed (109 Mays Road).
10. That a bus stop be installed on the south side of Mays Road commencing at a point 36 metres from its intersection with Bretts Road and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (80 Mays Road).
11. That a bus stop be installed on the north side of Weston Road commencing at a point 8 metres from its intersection with Scotston Avenue and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (2 Scotston Avenue- Mays Road frontage).
12. That a bus stop be installed on the north side of Tomes Road commencing at a point 37 metres from its intersection with Claremont Avenue and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (47 Tomes Road / 1 Claremont Avenue- Tomes Road frontage).

13. That a bus stop be installed on the south side of Tomes Road commencing at a point 15 metres from its intersection with Scotston Avenue and extending in an easterly for a distance of 12 metres (2/26 Scotston Avenue).
14. That a bus stop be installed on the east side of Rayburn Avenue commencing at a point 27 metres from its intersection with Perry Street and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (16 Rayburn Avenue).
15. That a bus stop be installed on the west side of Rayburn Avenue commencing at a point 28 metres from its intersection with Perry Street and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (50 Perry Street-Rayburn Avenue frontage).
16. That a bus stop be installed on the north side of Grants Road commencing at a point 35 metres from its intersection with Mary Street and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (3 Mary Road - Grants Road frontage).
17. That a bus stop be installed on the south side of Grants Road commencing at a point 25 metres from its intersection with Dules Place and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (64 Grants Road).
18. That a bus stop be installed on the north side of Grants Road commencing at a point 47 metres from its intersection with Proctor Street and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (Road Reserve).
19. That a bus stop be installed on the south side of Grants Road commencing at a point 32 metres from its intersection with Proctor Street and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres (Erica Reserve).
20. That a bus stop be installed on the eastern side of Grassmere Street commencing at a point 31 metres from its intersection with Main North Road and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 12 metres (3 Grassmere Street).

For discussion.