

12. BRIGGS ROAD AND EMMETT STREET – ‘STOP’ SIGNS AT AKAROA STREET AND BRIGGS ROAD

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Board’s recommendation for the installation of ‘Stop’ sign controls against the legs of Briggs Road to the north and Emmett Street at the intersection with Akaroa Street and Briggs Road.

As Briggs Roads to the north/west is designated as a collector roads in the transportation hierarchy the Board’s recommendation will be referred to the City Services Committee for resolution. Emmett Street is designated a local road and the Boards resolution will be effective.

‘Give Way’ signs currently govern the northern and southern approaches to this intersection. Since these were installed the traffic situation and other on road elements have changed to the extent that Stop signs are now warranted.

Hills Road, Akaroa Street and Briggs Road through to Marshland Road has been an arterial route for many years. Recently the introduction of traffic signals at the intersection of Briggs Road and Marshland Road has made it easier for traffic to access the City centre via this link. The volumes of traffic using these roads are growing and will increase further with the development of adjoining residential subdivisions. There has been only one recorded crash at the Akaroa Street - Briggs Road intersection in the past five years.

A new pedestrian island has been built to the east of the intersection, primarily to improve access to Birch Grove School. This is operating well but feed-back has highlighted the limitations of visibility at the intersection. The winding road configurations, vehicles in the adjacent car park and some of the roadside plantings all restrict sight lines for vehicles approaching the intersection. It is appropriate to install Stop signs on the northern and southern legs of the intersection because visibility is limited until a vehicle is at the limit lines.

- Recommendation:**
1. That a ‘Stop’ sign be placed against the northern approach of Briggs Road at its intersection with Akaroa Street and Briggs Road.
 2. That a ‘Stop’ sign be placed against the approach of Emmett Street at its intersection with Akaroa Street and Briggs Road.

Chairperson’s Recommendation: That the officer’s recommendation be adopted.