

6. TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT: PAGES ROAD, BICKERTON STREET, AND OTTAWA ROAD

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's support for the installation of traffic management improvements in Bickerton Street, Ottawa Road and Pages Road, as shown on the attached plan. The Board is requested to approve the installation of "Give Way" controls against Bickerton Street and Ottawa Road at Pages Road. Other traffic management improvements will be considered by the City Services Committee.

BACKGROUND

The need for Neighbourhood Improvement Work in this area was identified in the Wainoni Local Area Traffic Management Scheme from residents' concerns. Early in March 2000 a customer questionnaire was distributed to residents and businesses in the area to see if they considered there were any problems at these intersections and for their comments on resolving those issues. One hundred replies were received from 350 questionnaires distributed.

As a result of the questionnaire a proposed design for intersection improvements in this area was prepared and a pamphlet distributed for comment in February 2001. Forty-eight replies were received and a public meeting was called to discuss the proposed work.

In the officer's opinion a high percentage of residents agreed with the need to improve safety at the intersections. However, some residents had concerns with aspects of the initial design. The meeting did discuss alternatives and agreed that Council staff should review the design. Changes were then made to the initial design where appropriate and an amended publicity pamphlet was distributed in May 2001. Only three responses were received.

As there is general acceptance for this work, it is intended to complete this project later in the year.

CONCLUSION

Although this work was programmed for 2000/01, funding has been carried forward to 2001/02.

A tender has now been accepted and the work is expected to be carried out in July/August 2001.

The Parking Operations Manager and Environment Canterbury are agreeable to these changes.

This report will also be considered by the City Services Committee.

- Recommendations:**
1. That the Board support the proposed traffic management improvements in Bickerton Street, Ottawa Road and Pages Road.
 2. That the Board approve the installation of the following "Give Way" controls:
 - (a) That a "Give Way" sign be placed against Bickerton Street at its intersection with Pages Road.
 - (b) That a "Give Way" sign be placed against Ottawa Road at its intersection with Pages Road.

Chairperson's Recommendation: For discussion.