

5. GRAHAMS ROAD AND GREERS ROAD - PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN ISLANDS

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The purpose of this report is to request that the Board approve the revised publicity plan showing alternate positions for the pedestrian islands in Greers Road (a minor arterial and ring road) for distribution.

Following the distribution of the original publicity plan in May a public meeting was held in the Church of Christ hall on the corner of Eastling and Greers Roads on Monday 2 July, which was attended by two members of the Community Board and approximately 25 residents. The relevant issues relating to the proposed pedestrian islands in Greers and Grahams Roads that were brought up at the meeting are as follows (the Area Engineers comments are in brackets): -

- That no stopping markings be painted around the north eastern corner of the Greers Rd/ Ardmore Place intersection. (This will be included in the new proposal).
- That the proposed pedestrian island outside No. 2 Ardmore Place shall limit the space available for traffic lanes to merge for traffic travelling south on Greers Road from the Harewood Road intersection. (The merge distance from Harewood Road shall be investigated).
- Is there a need for a no stopping restriction on the east side of Greers Road and a right turn lane where vehicles queue to turn right into Eastling Street? (A no stopping restriction may be installed with the resident's agreement).
- The resident of No. 399 Greers Road would like the island shifted to the south away from his place, however none of his neighbours to the south want it outside their places either.
- Between No.s 352 and 358 Greers Road the proposed island shall prevent or make it very difficult for cars from 7 properties to right turn into their entrances. (See revised plan for alternative options).
- No. 361 runs a business from home. The proposed no stopping restriction outside his property would have a negative impact on his business. (See revised plan for the new layout).
- Pedestrian crossing lights should be installed between Kilburn Street. and Condell Avenue. on Greers Road. (Estimated cost \$90,000).
- A right turn lane from Greers Road into Kilburn Street. is not required. (See revised plan for the new design).
- Shift the bus stop outside No. 388 Greers Road further to the south. (This option shall be investigated).
- Construct parking bays on the west side of Greers Road between Kilburn Street and Condell Avenue by removing the berm to allow parking on this side of the road. (Budget restraints prevent this work from being carried out at this time).
- Would like a pedestrian island outside No. 340 Greers Road. (This could be considered at a later date if the demand justifies it).
- The traffic needs to be slowed down in Greers Road and Grahams Roads. (The proposed pedestrian islands should produce the desired effect of calming and slowing the traffic).

In response to these requests it is proposed to distribute a revised publicity plan (**attached**) for the two proposed pedestrian islands in Greers Road. This plan responds to the above feedback as budget constraints allow. There are three possible locations for the proposed pedestrian island in Greers Road between Condell Avenue and Kilburn Street. The residents may be asked which option they would prefer. Position 'B' affects the least number of properties and position 'A' is closest to the pedestrians desired crossing point.

Recommendation: That the revised publicity plan be approved for distribution.

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