

20. MARRIOTTS ROAD TRAFFIC ISSUES

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of traffic safety improvements to be carried out in Marriotts Road near Rookwood Avenue in New Brighton.

At a meeting on 14 September 2001 between the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board and local members of Parliament, the need for signage in Marriotts Road warning of the presence of children outside the crèche and St Andrews House/community centre was discussed. The City Streets Unit was asked to look at the situation in Marriotts Road and assess options for addressing the concerns raised, including the use of signs or road markings.

To improve the safety in this area a painted median has been installed in Marriotts Road between Leverett Place and Rookwood Avenue. A speed survey has also been carried out. The average speed recorded of vehicles travelling south towards Rookwood Avenue was 52 km/h and north towards Bower Avenue 48 km/h. These speeds are lower than those previous recorded in the same area at 53 km/h and 55 km/h respectively.

As motorists are travelling at a higher speed towards Rookwood Avenue a 'children' warning sign is to be installed near Leverett Place to warn drivers of the presence of children in this area.

Recommendation: That the information be received.