GRAHAMS ROAD AND GREERS ROAD – PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN ISLANDS

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The purpose of this report is to request that the Board recommend to the City Services Commmittee the construction of three pedestrian islands in Grahams Road and Greers Road (both are minor arterial roads).

At its meeting on 31 July 2001, the Board approved the **appended** publicity plan showing the positioning of the proposed pedestrian islands for distribution. Two hundred and thirty-eight publicity plans were distributed. Feedback from the residents responding to the publicity plan which asked for a preferred position for the middle pedestrian island as shown on the plan was: -

•	For position 'A'	13
•	For position 'B'	19
•	Do not mind which position	3
•	For a painted median but does not want an island	1
	Total	36

From the above results it can be seen there is support for both positions. Position 'A' is the preferred crossing point for pedestrians, however position 'B' affects the entrances to only three properties, while position 'A' affects the entrances to seven properties. The Area Engineer recommends the installation of the island at position 'B'.

With the exception of one property owner, agreement has been received for the installation of the other two islands. The first in Grahams Road south of its intersection with Greers Road, the other in Greers Road south of its intersection with Ardmore Place.

There is also a situation at Bygrave Place where there are adequate sight distances in both directions along Greers Road for a driver doing a right turn from Bygrave Place. However there is some confusion over turning priorities when a vehicle from Greers Road (carrying 17,700 vehicles per day) and a vehicle from Bygrave Place (a local road carrying approximately 120 vehicles per day) wish to turn right at the same time. The most appropriate way to remove the confusion is to install a Give Way sign against Bygrave Place as recommended in the New Zealand Land Transport's manual of regulatory signs and markings.

Recommendations:

1. That it be recommended that the City Services Committee:

- a) That the construction of the three pedestrian islands be approved and that the middle island in Greers Road be constructed in position 'B'.
- b) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at all times:-
 - On the east side of Greers Road commencing at the northern boundary of No. 392 and extending in an southerly direction for a distance of 98.5 metres.
 - On the west side of Greers Road commencing at the northern boundary of No. 359 and extending in an southerly direction for a distance of 282 metres.
 - On the west side of Grahams Road commencing at the southern boundary of No. 273 and extending in an northerly direction for a distance of 39 metres.
 - On the east side of Grahams Road commencing at a point 6 metres north of the southern boundary of No. 280 and extending in an northerly direction for a distance of 26 metres.
- 2. That a Give Way control be placed against Bygrave Place at its intersection with Greers Road.

Chairman's Recommendation:

For discussion.



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