8. WORKS, TRAFFIC AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - REPORT OF 19 MARCH 2002

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The purpose of this report is to submit for the Board's consideration and decision, the following meeting report and accompanying recommendations.

Report of the Works Traffic and Environment Committee held on Tuesday 19 March 2002 at 8:00am in Meeting Room 1, CCC Fendalton

PRESENT: Mark Kunnen (Chairman), Sally Buck, Val Carter, Cheryl Colley, George Hampton,

Pat Harrow, Yiyi Ku, Barbara Stewart and Mike Wall.

Pat Harrow and Yiyi Ku left the meeting at 10:00am.

1. APOLOGIES

Nil

2. LEINSTER ROAD – PROPOSED GIVE WAY CONTROL

The Area Engineer provided a background report on the proposal to install a give way control against Leinster Road at its intersection with Rossall Street. The report highlighted the Board's previous (September 2001) consideration of this matter, along with a technical assessment supporting the provision of the control.

Members were advised that efforts had been made by the Advocacy Team to make contact with the local resident previously involved, to make them aware of this proposal. Such contact however had not been possible prior to the meeting. Members agreed that it was most appropriate to respond to the earlier traffic difficulties identified by the installation of a "Give Way" control.

Recommendation: That a "Give Way" sign be placed against Leinster Avenue at its

intersection with Rossall Street.

3. ILAM ROAD - KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL

The Committee considered the details of the intended publicity plan for the renewal of the dish channel on the western side only of Ilam Road from numbers 233 to 277.

Members reiterated past concerns that undergrounding did not feature as part of the renewal project given that this section of Ilam Road formed part of the tourist drive.

Officers from the City Streets Unit undertook to provide members with details of the process and criteria used in deciding on undergrounding projects and it was **agreed** that this information form the basis of a presentation to the next meeting of the Committee for which an Orion representative would also be invited to attend.

Staff were asked to mention in the text of the brochure to be circulated that undergrounding would not be undertaken as part of the project.

A suggestion was noted that red road markings be applied to delineate the presence of the cycle lanes at the Ilam Road/Memorial Avenue intersection.

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

4. ROSSALL STREET AND OFFICE ROAD – KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL

In a report from the Area Engineer, the Committee was asked to approve for recommending to the Board, the distribution of a publicity plan for the renewal of the dish channels in Rossall Street from Merivale Lane to Fulton Avenue on both sides and on Office Road from Rossall Street to Winchester Street.

It was noted that overhead wiring was to be undergrounded in Rossall Street as part of the work but not in Office Road. Again members asked that this situation be mentioned in the text of the publicity brochure.

General comment was made about the intended landscaping and the wider issue of the proposed Maintenance Seminar originally to be jointly held with the Shirley/Papanui Community Board

20 March but now cancelled in favour of a similar seminar being proposed for all elected members.

The Committee was still keen to have a separate seminar with an emphasis on the north west area of the city but after discussion, it was **agreed** that this preference be revisited following the City Streets Unit led seminar for all elected members to be held probably within the next month or so. Members were invited to identify topics for inclusion in the second seminar programme.

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

5. KENDAL AVENUE- TRIAL RUMBLE STRIPS REMOVAL

Approval was requested to remove the trial rumble strips in Kendal Avenue due to adverse noise and vibration complaints being received from local residents.

The Area Engineer indicated that a proposal for McLeans Island Road utilising the remaining funding earlier provided by the Board, would be reported on soon, probably to the Board's next meeting on 3 April.

Recommendation: That the four trial rumble strips in Kendal Avenue be removed.

6. SAFE CYCLING TO SCHOOL PROJECT – STROWAN/NORMANS INTERSECTION

The Committee considered a plan outlining a range of intended cycle safety works at the Normans/Strowan intersection as a prelude to public consultation.

Concern was expressed at the consequential loss of up to 12 carparking spaces and it was proposed that discussions be arranged with the local businesses in the first instance before proceeding to wider consultation with the local community. Issues other than traffic management may well arise as a consequence of such discussions being also seen as part of the Board's desire to liaise more closely with local business interests.

The likelihood of such a meeting being arranged during early to mid April was favoured.

Recommendation: That a meeting be arranged with local businesses to discuss the

proposed cycle safety works along with the opportunity for other issues to be identified, as a forerunner to wider public consultation

on the proposed plan.

7. FENDALTON PARK – REDEVELOPMENT PLAN – UPDATE

The Committee received an update report on the site meeting held on 4 March 2002 where agreement had been reached on the area to be used for the new playground adjoining the existing play facilities and the nearby Plunket building. Unfortunately the requested modified plan for sharing with the local community had not been completed in time for this meeting or for circulation to the residents, and staff were requested to ensure that this was actioned in time for reporting to the next meeting of the Board on 3 April.

Similarly, in relation to the revised carpark and its layout, a concept plan still needed to be completed for feedback to be obtained for reporting to the April Board meeting.

Recommendation: That revised plans in relation to the playground and the carpark be

prepared and circulated for feedback to be reported and decided

on at the Board meeting on 3 April 2002.

8. FARRINGTON AVENUE RESIDENTS

The Committee was advised of the outcomes of a meeting convened on 6 March 2002 aimed at addressing a number of concerns to local residents namely tavern noise, traffic issues and litter.

The submitted report highlighted a number of possible action steps to address the issues that had been raised.

Recommendation: That the Advocacy Team take action to address the various issues

identified in the submitted report.

9. ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY – PROPOSED BUS FARES AND TICKETING

Members noted the opportunity available to make their own individual submissions and it was agreed that any such responses be circulated to members for their information.

10. GENERAL ISSUES - UPDATE

The Community Advocate provided an update on the two key priority projects earlier identified by the Board, namely Bishopdale Shopping Centre and Jellie Park (including Aqualand).

With regard to Bishopdale, members noted that a strategic approach was intended to be taken and that in due course a briefing report would be submitted as part of this process. There was however the long outstanding issue of the layout, markings and effectiveness associated with the south carpark that needed to be addressed now alongside the wider review.

In relation to Jellie Park, it was noted that a number of key issues were presently being addressed by the Council particularly in relation to Aqualand but that as a first step it would be beneficial for the Committee to undertake a site visit to the facility and to the park in general. A stand alone date for such a visit i.e. separate to the Committee's monthly meeting was therefore **agreed** to.

Recommendation: That a briefing report on the Bishopdale Shopping Centre area be

submitted as soon as practicable and that in parallel with this process, the Board also deal with other issues on a timely basis

such as the south carpark.

The meeting concluded at 10.04am

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the report be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.