

9. FIFIELD TERRACE: PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING

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The purpose of this report is to request that the Community Board approve the proposed traffic calming work in Fifield Terrace for construction.

BACKGROUND

Petitions were received signed by 90% of the residents of Acorn Close and Fifield Terrace (between Ensors Road and Wilsons Road) last year, which supported the installation of one-way angled slow points in Fifield Terrace between Wilsons Road and Ensors Road.

At its meeting on 3 September 2002 the Board approved the attached publicity plan for distribution for consultation. One hundred and twenty publicity pamphlets were distributed in and around Fifield Terrace between Ensors Road and Wilsons Road. The Council had received 13 written responses by 24 September, the closing date for submissions being 21 September 2002. The relevant feedback received is shown below with the numbers for/against each summarised suggestion in brackets.

- There are too many chicanes (1 for)
- Two chicanes outside 25 and 71 would be enough (1 for).
- Remove the two middle chicanes and narrow the street between 53 and 49, making a one-way section (1 for).
- It would be preferable to have the slow point outside 53 rather than 71 (1 for).
- Traffic calming devices penalise the guilty with the innocent, speed cameras would be better (1 for).
- That the proposed intersection alterations as shown on the pamphlet are constructed as soon as possible (7 for/2 against).

A late submission was received from Spokes Canterbury Cyclists Association, requesting that cycle bypasses be installed on each side of the carriageway at each slow point.

The positioning and number of platforms have already been investigated by Traffic Engineers as to the required number and best positions for the platforms. The proposed layout has been determined as the best for this section of Fifield Terrace.

PROPOSAL

The above responses demonstrate there is strong support from affected residents for the proposed angled slow points in Fifield Terrace between Wilsons Road and Ensors Road. Staff have investigated Spokes' recommendation with the object that cycle bypasses be included in the construction. Unfortunately, it is not possible without losing the trees inside the kerb extensions or constructing relatively expensive earthworks on the river side.

Staff

Recommendation: That the Community Board approve the construction of angled slow points and platforms in Fifield Terrace between Wilsons Road and Ensors Road as shown on the publicity plan.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the above recommendation be supported.