

6. GARREG ROAD KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL (GLANDOVEY ROAD TO GALWAY AVENUE)

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board's approval to consult on the concept plan for the Garreg Road kerb and channel renewal project (Glandovey Road to Galway Avenue).

BACKGROUND

The Council is proposing to renew the old dish guttering in Garreg Road (Glandovey Road to Galway Avenue) in the 2004/2005 financial year.

Garreg Road is a local road and the existing carriageway in this section is between 10 and 14 metres wide.

An initial consultation letter, outlining the Council's aims and objectives for Garreg Road, was delivered to residents in August/September 2003. The letter also sought feedback from residents on what they would like to see in their reconstructed street.

RESIDENTS SUBMISSIONS

Thirty four written submissions have been received on the Garreg Road, (Glandovey Road to Galway Avenue), kerb and channel renewal project.

A précis of the submissions is as follows:

- I am looking forward to the removal of the old dish guttering; I would like to see street trees. I live at no 17a and it seems a little austere at this end of the street.
- Great news!!; I would like to see grass verges kept where possible; would like to see trees planted both sides of the street; is under-grounding of the aerial wiring a possibility?; currently turning right into Glandovey Road and awaiting on-coming through traffic is a bit messy i.e. not much room to 'wait', maybe an island on Garreg Road at its intersection with Glandovey Road.
- I am a Galway Avenue resident and I would like to see the K & C renewed in Galway Avenue. There are a number of back sections in Galway consequently some on-street parking is done on the grass verges which then become wet and muddy, motorists also travel too fast and it is unsafe for pedestrians, especially children.
- We live in Newall Avenue, we would like to see an alignment of the roads sorted out as the northern kerb is further out than the southern; we would like the entrance to Newall Avenue enhanced aesthetically, and the traffic slowed down the northern part of Garreg Road; trees planted down both sides of Garreg Road would make a huge difference.
- I would like to see specimen 'English' trees, paving enhanced, nice street lights, aerial wiring under-grounded, grass berms and for the 'hump' removed from Garreg Road at its entrance from Jeffreys Road. I don't want to see native bushes, kowhais etc and/or speed humps. Galway, Taylors and Plynilimon are in worse condition than Garreg Road - do them first!
- Would like the aerial wiring under-grounded, has the Council considered asking each household to contribute to cost of this by charging more rates? I would like to see more street trees; footpaths widened; and the entry into Garreg Road from Glandovey Road, improved.
- Speed restrictions needed at the Jeffreys Road and Galway Avenue end of Garreg Road; please reconstruct the existing speed hump Jeffreys Rd/Garreg Road, Taylors Avenue end.
- I would like street trees to 'soften' the effect of the high walls (fences) being built; I'm pleased to see the old gutters going; I don't like to see the whole street shut behind high concrete wall; what does improved safety mean, I hope it doesn't mean more humps and bumps in the street, they are noisy when trailers clatter over them.
- Trees planted in the side section of Garreg Road; grass berms between gutter and road; more plants and trees. I don't want to see concrete islands; artificial concrete planters; improved drainage at the intersection of Newall/Garreg and Galway as it often floods.
- Street trees; grass and/or planted berms; traffic calming measures; cycle friendly and pedestrian friendly; retain on-street parking. A number of children take this route to and from school, this should be encouraged; thoroughfare from Wairakei to Galway to Bryndwr needs to be discouraged.
- Trees, plantings and gardens; speed limiting features needed; overhead wires under-grounded. Thank you for involving local residents in the process.

- Speed bumps to the entrance to Newall Street; the alignment of Garreg Road on each side of Newall Avenue i.e. narrowing the south side of Garreg Road to match the north side; smooth out the approach to Garreg Road at Jeffreys Road; take out the camber on Garreg Road between Glandovey Road and Jeffreys Road; street berm planting, trees and groundcover; I don't want to see commercial vehicle access/buses etc; high density housing.
- The proposed new guttering is fine but bridge access must not be reduced; the grass verge to be left where it is; I don't want grass verge against the kerb, trees would obstruct people walking along the footpath and water drops off trees onto pedestrians.
- Approve the renewal of the kerb and channels; street trees; would like to see the under-grounding of aerial wiring, I'm prepared to contribute financially to this. I don't want any traffic calming works, except the current cobbled entries off Jeffreys /Glandovey. Fast traffic is a rarity on our street, the cobbled entries work well. Visitors to Garreg Road, from Jeffreys Road, find it difficult to 'pick' the street entry on approach, street signage could be improved. The right-hand turn off Glandovey into Garreg is 'hair-raising' as you have to wait for on-coming traffic right on a curve. A solid centre line on this curve might help emphasise to on-coming traffic to give waiting traffic a wider berth.
- Turning left from Garreg Road from Jeffreys Road is dangerous as it is too narrow, perhaps widen Garreg Road at this point; I would like underground wiring.
- Correct the 'slumping' outside 61 Garreg Road as this, combined with the continual blocking of the drain under Newall Avenue (at the Garreg Rd/ Newall Ave intersection) causes flooding, this is a hazard, particularly at night; I would not like to see, and hear, the 'rough' chip seal used in Newall Avenue being used in Garreg Road.
- This sounds all fine and dandy for the Garreg Road residents, but what happened to the promised work in Galway Avenue. Work was promised in Galway Avenue 6 years ago!
- Under-ground wiring please; the existing berms are poor because there is little soil depth; we would also like to see 'through' traffic slowed down. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.
- What about Galway Avenue? It is in a worse state than Garreg Road, not only does it have the old dish guttering, but it has ugly grass area that are not landscaped. You cannot safely park on the street as there isn't enough room for cars to pass.
- Under-ground wiring please; grass berms to be replaced and landscaped with evergreen small shrubs.
- Sewage system in Garreg Road not coping, in-fill housing is overloading the system; under-ground wiring please; narrower street, but still allowing enough room to 'back' boats and trailers; green planting, soft curves and winding footpaths; get rid of over head wires; don't want expanses of bark style garden; don't want islands in the middle of the road.
- Approve of the objectives; would like to see all power poles removed; tree planted in grass verges
- Don't want native trees or native under-planting.
- Under-grounding of aerial wires; ornamental trees; I don't want to see 'sleeping policemen'.
- I would like a tree lined street; a water feature, like Peveral street; the 'lip' connecting Garreg Road to Jeffreys Road made smoother; no stopping lines on Garreg Road at its intersection with Galway Avenue. Thank you for the opportunity to comment, you do a great job!!
- Under-grounding of aerial wiring; road carpet please.
- Replace grass berms with attractive shrubs, we are all elderly (4/13 Garreg Road) and the mowing is a worry. I don't want deciduous trees.
- Under-grounding of aerial wiring; parking bays; more street planting of trees. I don't want to see the road carriage narrowed.
- There are some telephone poles/power poles rotting away, will these be replaced?; street trees planted please.
- Under-grounding of aerial wiring; nice street lamps; lawn outside properties; a tree lined street; I don't want to see gardens like Glandovey Rd, native plants, speed humps.
- Under-grounding of aerial wiring; trees outside every property; grass berms. I don't want to see narrowing of street; native plantings or garden areas; speed bumps.
- Improved lighting; better drainage. I don't want to see judder bars/speed humps; road narrowing.
- This submission is best read directly, essentially the submitter suggests where the money for Garreg Road could be better spent.
- Garreg Road is wide and impersonal, we would like to see the street made more people friendly, as parents of two small children we would like to see wider footpaths, wider grass berms and tree plantings to soften the street. We have a bit of a problem with 'boy racer's so something to discourage them would be great.
- Under-ground wiring; trees and more landscaping please. Don't want to see traffic humps other than the existing ones; the sewage pipes need replacing.

WATER MAIN

The water main is programmed to be relayed in the 2004/2005 financial year. This work is to be undertaken prior to the road reconstruction.

TREES

There is a 'notable' tree within the boundary of no 14a Garreg Road as shown in the City Plan. A resource consent will be required to work within 10 metres of this tree.

RECOMMENDED OPTION

The proposed plan is to completely reconstruct Garreg Road to a width of 9 metres and replace the old dish guttering with kerb and flat channel. Footpaths will be reconstructed both sides of Garreg Road with grass berms and street trees installed the length of the street adjacent to the carriageway.

It is proposed to installed paved thresholds at the Garreg Road/Jeffreys Road intersections and reduce the carriageway width at these points to 7 metres. This is to reinforce the Stop controls on Garreg Road at the Jeffreys Road intersection.

It is also proposed to narrow the entrance into both Taylors Avenue and Galway Avenue to 8 metres. The build-outs at these intersections will be landscaped.

PROJECT COSTS

The estimated project costs are \$826,000. The **attached** plan for consultation refers.

Staff

Recommendation: That the Board approve the Garreg Road kerb and channel renewal plan TP163801 for consultation.

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Recommendation:

1. That the above recommendation be adopted subject to the Garreg/Jeffreys intersection being adjusted from 7 metres to 8 metres in width.
2. That the consultation document include reference to the Council's cost sharing policy for undergrounding and a mention of the proposed street tree option.