5. CORRESPONDENCE

SALTAIRE STREET - A LIVING STREET

The following letter to the Living Streets Advocate was received from Marie Austin, North New Brighton Residents' Association, concerning the Saltaire Street Living Street proposal:

"The proposals for Saltaire Street were discussed at the 25 February meeting of our Association and the following recommendations resulted:

- 1. Both ends of the street be slow roaded to reduce the speed of traffic.
- 2. That a traffic island be constructed on Marriotts Road at the end of Tedder Avenue to stop motorists swinging from Tedder Avenue into Saltaire Street.

These recommendations reflect the opinion of the local community (supported by the Residents' Association), that closing Saltaire Street will create more problems than it will solve. Both Saltaire Street and Marriotts Road corners are difficult to negotiate. You have stated that there are few accidents at these corners but we feel that this is because people avoid using them. We believe accidents will occur if they are forced to use these dangerous corners.

St Andrews House, which is located on Marriotts Road near Rookwood Avenue, have previously complained to the Community Board about the danger of this intersection, especially at times when both St Andrews and the playcentre opposite are busy. This results in both sides of the road covered with parked cars, resulting in a loss of vision and access. We urge you to consider this community input before construction begins as any changes are more easily implemented at this point. We also request that our Association be kept informed of any progress with this issue."

Chairperson's Recommendation:

That the correspondence from the North New Brighton Residents' Association concerning the Saltaire Street Living Street proposal be considered in discussion of clause 6.