

12. COLOMBO STREET/ HUNTER TERRACE/ ERNLEA TERRACE - PROPOSED STOP CONTROLS

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval that Stop Control be placed against Hunter Terrace and Ernlea Terrace at their intersection with Colombo Street. Refer Attachment 1.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. As part of the Colombo Street Bus Priority Give Way controls were approved by the Board for all uncontrolled intersections along Colombo Street Bus Priority Route. Included in this approval was the intersection of Ernlea Terrace and Colombo Street.
3. Approximately eight years ago the current Beckenham Service Centre and library were built and the portion of Hunter Terrace (old Hunter Terrace) from the back east of the library which follows the river to intersect Colombo Street north of the library was legally stopped. However this section of Hunter Terrace was not physically stopped until February 2010.
4. The new portion of Hunter Terrace (new Hunter Terrace) runs from the east of the library along its southern side and intersects with Colombo Street south of the library. The new Hunter Terrace was gazetted as legal road just prior the construction of the present library however the Bus priority project treated this section of road as a drive way and did not include it in the list of intersections along Colombo Street to be controlled by a Give Way.
5. The intersection of the new Hunter Terrace, Colombo Street and Ernlea Terrace now forms a Cross Road Junction, because a vehicle can drive from Ernlea Terrace directly across Colombo Street and into the new Hunter Terrace.
6. The Land Transport Rule-Traffic Control devices 2004, Section 10, Intersections 10.1 Intersections to be controlled, States: "*An intersection that has four or more approaching roadways must be controlled by:*
 - (a) stop or give way signs; or
 - (b) a roundabout; or
 - (c) traffic signals."
7. Staff have investigated this intersection of Colombo Street and Hunter Terrace and recommend that a Stop control be placed against new Hunter Terrace in accordance with the MOTSAM (Manual of Traffic Signs and Markings) guidelines regarding visibility requirements at intersections.
8. If the new Hunter Terrace has a Stop control and Ernlea Terrace has a Give Way control priority will be given to Ernlea Terrace over new Hunter Terrace, displacing the Right Hand Rule and confusing motorists. It is therefore also proposed that the Give Way control that was approved by the Board to be placed against Ernlea Terrace as part of the Bus priority project also be replaced with a Stop Control. New Hunter Terrace has an expected vehicles per day (VPD) of 1,500 while Ernlea Terrace has only seven properties along its total length.

9. All the residents of Ernlea Terrace and the resident at 62 Colombo Street were informed about the project by letter. The letter informed residents about the proposed Stop signs and when the report would be presented to the Community Board for approval to construct. Details of the meeting (time, venue) were also provided so that any interested people could attend or address the Board prior to the decision being made. The only response received was from the property owner of number 1a Ernlea Terrace who phoned regarding an unrelated matter, he supports the proposal.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

10. The estimated cost of this proposal is approximately \$500.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

11. Funding for this project is provided in the Waterways and Land Drainage programme of 2009-19 LTCCP, page 239.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

12. The Community Boards have delegated authority from the Council to exercise the delegations as set out in the Register of Delegations dated April 2008. The list of delegations for the Community Boards includes the resolution of new traffic controls and parking restrictions.
13. The installation of any signs and/ or markings associated with traffic control devices must comply with the Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004; (See paragraph 6).

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

14. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

15. Aligns with the Streets and Transport activities by contributing to the Council's Community Outcomes-Safety and Community.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

16. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

17. The recommendations align with Council Strategies including, Road Safety Strategy 2004 and the Safer Christchurch Strategy 2005.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's Strategies?

18. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

19. All the residents of Ernlea Terrace and the resident at 62 Colombo Street were informed about the project by letter. The letter informed residents about the proposed Stop signs and when the report would be presented to the Community Board for approval to construct. Details of the meeting (time, venue) were also provided so that any interested people could attend or address the Board prior to the decision being made. The only response received was from the property owner of number 1a Ernlea Terrace who phoned regarding an unrelated matter, he supports the proposal.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board:

- (a) Revoke the Give Way control currently placed against Ernlea Terrace at its intersection with Colombo Street.
- (b) Approve the placement of a Stop control against Ernlea Terrace at its intersection with Colombo Street.
- (c) Approve the placement of a Stop control against Hunter Terrace at its intersection with Colombo Street.

CHAIRPERSONS RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.