7. PROPOSED NO STOPPING RESTRICTION - PRINCESS STREET

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Committee's recommendation to the Board to approve the extension of existing no-stopping at the intersection of Princess Street and Knight Place.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. Staff have received a request from a business owner on Knight Place, that the existing No Stopping restriction at the intersection of Princess Street and Knight Street be extended to improve safety at the intersection. (refer **Attachment 1**).
- 3. Princess Street is a local road. Results from an off peak speed survey conducted by staff on Princess Street show that the average speed of vehicles is 49.6 km/h and that 15% of drivers are travelling at speeds of 55 km/h or greater.
- 4. The existing no stopping parking restrictions at the intersection extend either side of the intersection for a distance of nine metres on the western side and 9.5 metres on the eastern side of Princess Street (refer **Attachment 1**).
- 5. To meet design standards a 50 metre minimum safe intersection stopping distance for an intersection on a road that has a 50 km/h speed limit must be achieved. With these current no stopping restrictions, sight distances could be as low as 27 metres which is almost half the recommended safe sight distance. This proposal will ensure that safe sight distances are always available to motorists entering Princess Street from Knight Place.
- 6. There have been no recorded crashes at this intersection in the past five years however, there have been numerous near misses reported to staff from the business on Knight Place.
- 7. Owing to the fact that this is considered by staff to be a safety issue no public consultation was sought for this proposal.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8. The estimated cost of this proposal is approximately \$50.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

9. The installation of road markings and signs is within the LTCCP Streets and Transport Operational Budgets.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 10. Part 1, Clause 5 of the Christchurch City Council Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2008 provides Council with the authority to install parking restrictions by resolution.
- 11. The Community Boards have delegated authority from the Council to exercise the delegations as set out in the Register of Delegations dated December 2009. The list of delegations for the Community Boards includes the resolution of parking restrictions and Traffic Control Devices.
- 12. The installation of any parking restriction signs and/ or markings must comply with the Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004.

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

13. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

14. 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?

15. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

16. The recommendations align with the Council Strategies including the Parking Strategy 2003, Pedestrian Strategy 2001, Road Safety Strategy 2004 and the Safer Christchurch Strategy 2005.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's Strategies?

17. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

- 18. Refer to clause 7.
- 19. The Officer in Charge Parking Enforcement agrees with this recommendation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Riccarton/Wigram Transport and Greenspace Committee recommend that the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board approve:

- (a) That any existing parking restrictions at any time on the southern side of Princess Street within the distance at 12 metres East or West of Knights Place be revoked.
- (b) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the south side of Princess Street commencing at its intersection with Knights Place and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 12 metres.
- (c) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the south side of Princess Street commencing at its intersection with Knights Place and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 12 metres.