



12. SACRED HEART SCHOOL– SCHOOL PATROL ON SPENCER STREET

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board’s recommendation that Council approve a school patrol in accordance with the Local Government Act 1974 and 2002, and in accordance with the Land Transport Rule 54002, Traffic Control Devices Rule, 2004.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Council has received a request from the Principal and the Board of Trustees of Sacred Heart School for a school patrol (kea crossing) in front of the school on Spencer Street (refer **Attachment 1**).
3. Sacred Heart School is located on Spencer Street in Addington. Directly opposite the school gate, Spencer Street is intersected by Poulson Street, making this a difficult location for young children to cross unassisted.
4. Staff advised the school of the prerequisites for the installation of the school patrol. These being the required usage of the crossing, the safety of the road environment, the agreement by the school to operate the school patrol, the ability of Council to supply the patrol equipment required, and Police approval of the crossing in regard to traffic conditions and training of the patrollers.
5. Following surveys of crossing usage and an on site meeting with school staff, the Police and Council staff, all prerequisites has been met to facilitate the installation of a school patrol.
6. As this school crossing is located at the intersection of Spencer Street and Poulson Street, an additional PW-31, the fluorescent orange ‘children’ flag will be erected on the kerb build out in Poulson Street to indicate to motorists on Poulson Street that they are approaching a school crossing facility at the intersection.
7. The school’s intent is to operate the crossing facility in the afternoon only because at present there are no crossing difficulties at the beginning of the school day. The school has agreed to communicate this to the parents.
8. For details of consultation refer to Paragraphs 19 to 22.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9. The estimated cost of this proposal is approximately \$2,500.

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

10. The installation of the school patrol which includes all signage and road markings is within the LTCCP Streets and Transport Operational Budgets.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

11. Subject to the Local Government Act 1974 and 2002.
12. Subject to the Land Transport Rule 54002, Traffic Control Devices.
13. 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?

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 the Council Strategies including, the Pedestrian Strategy 2001, and Road Safety Strategy 2004.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's Strategies?

18. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

19. As a result of the original request, Council staff have met with school senior staff, and the Police Education Officer. All the prerequisites (see paragraph 4) can be met and have been agreed too.
20. Though the marking of the school crossing will have no direct impact on any adjoining properties, the residents at numbers 2, 3 and 4 Poulson Street and number 49 Spencer Street have been informed by letter of the proposal.
21. The Addington Neighbourhood Association has been informed of the proposal.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board recommends that the Council approve:

- (a) In pursuance of the powers vested in it by Section 8.3 (1) of the Land Transport Rule-Traffic Control Devices 2004 (Rule 54002), and pursuant to the powers vested in it by the Local Government Act 1974 and 2002, the Christchurch City Council hereby authorises the head teacher of Sacred Heart School to appoint appropriately trained persons to act as school patrols at the school crossing point as specified at Spencer Street, located at a point more or less six metres north west of its intersection with Poulson Street.

CHAIRPERSON RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.