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**SHIRLEY/PAPANUI COMMUNITY BOARD
GREENSPACE TRAFFIC WORKS COMMITTEE
16 JUNE 2008**

**A meeting of the Greenspace Traffic Works Committee
was held on Monday 16 June 2008 at 4.00 pm
in the Boardroom, Papanui Service Centre**

PRESENT: Matt Morris (Chairperson), Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Yvonne Palmer and Norm Withers.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Megan Evans and Aaron Keown.

The Committee reports that:

PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

1. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

1.1 BELFAST ROTARY CLUB

Brian Stead (Chairperson, Vocational Committee), Laurie Richards (President) and Maury Combe of the Belfast Rotary Club spoke in support of the Young Totara Award.

The 'Young Totara Award' is a national programme that has been initiated locally by the Rotary Club of Belfast. This award acknowledges outstanding young people in the local area under the age of 21. Each year, depending on the availability of a suitable candidate, a young person is selected by the Rotary Club for this award. To date, eight presentations have been made.

The Belfast Rotary Club approached the Council for an area of reserve where each year a totara tree could be planted to commemorate a young person and the overall award scheme. An area at Styx Mill Conservation Reserve has been identified as being the most appropriate. The area would have a stone mounted plaque detailing a website address and a simple statement. Recipients of the Award would not be listed.

Clause 6 (Part C) of this report details the Committee's decision on this matter.

2. CONTRACTS AND MAINTENANCE TEAM - UPDATES

The Pavement Maintenance Team Leader, Peter McDonald, updated the Committee on the following projects.

2.1 VAGUES ROAD - SPEED TRAILER RESULTS

Speed trailer results covering a five day period (7am to 5pm) were tabled. The "85th percentile" was 56 km/hr.

The Committee **decided** to ask staff to undertake a two week assessment of vehicle speeds to cover other time periods and to also consider the stopping of right turns in/out of the street.

2.2 STYX BRIDGE

The Committee was advised that a weekly clean up under the bridge had been arranged. Closing access to the railway tracks to normal vehicles was being arranged by using a mountable kerb. A traffic island on the east side was being investigated, as was a surveillance system.

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2.3 REDWOOD LIBRARY – TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

The Committee's had sought clarification of parking restrictions and signage to warn of pedestrians. It was confirmed there were visibility problems for drivers exiting the library parking area.

The Committee **decided** to ask staff to investigate a traffic safety convex mirror to alert drivers to the presence of approaching pedestrians.

2.4 SPRINGFIELD ROAD/ABBERLEY CRESCENT/EDGEWARE ROAD - TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Committee was advised that in 2003 the Council's Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee was asked to approve a pedestrian crossing in Springfield Road. Instead., that Committee requested that staff monitor traffic in the area. Traffic signals at the Edgeware/Abberley Roads intersection had been opposed by the community.

The Committee **decided** to ask staff to undertake pedestrian and traffic counts for the intersection and to report the findings back to the Committee.

2.5 MARY STREET

Information from staff on the proposal for one-laning of the Mary Street/Main North Road corner was coming to the Committee in the near future.

2.6 SAWYERS ARMS/GARDINERS ROAD INTERSECTION - TRAFFIC CONCERNS

The Committee was advised that information on this matter would be coming to the Board soon

The Committee **decided** that a joint meeting be held with the Fendalton/Waimari Community Board to consider traffic management issues at this intersection.

2.9 ROOSEVELT AVENUE

Information was tabled on the speed count data for this street collected from 8am to 5pm for the five days commencing 14 April. This showed 213 vehicles per day without any major speeding issues. Also, a video camera at the Malvern Street corner showed that traffic behaviour at the intersection was not unusual. The Committee noted the residents concerns about the state of the street.

The Committee **decided** that a meeting with residents be arranged to present the traffic information and to obtain feedback.

2.10 DANIELS ROAD - PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

The Committee was advised that this matter was with Transit New Zealand to be considered as part of their bus priority review.

Members were concerned at the short time the traffic signals gave pedestrians to cross the four lanes at the intersection with the Main North Road.

2.11 WOODCHESTER STREET/MEDWAY STREET - INTERSECTION CONCERNS

The wideness of this intersection was seen as creating a safety hazard.

The Committee **decided** to request staff to report on options and costs to address safety concerns at the Woodchester Street/Medway Street intersection

2.12 ROSE COTTER – CHANCELLOR STREET

Correspondence from Rose Cotter tabled at the 21 May 2008 meeting of the Board, was handed to staff for consideration.

3. MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

● **“Our Christchurch”**

It was noted that meetings of the Committee were not listed on the Council's weekly page in the Christchurch Star.

Staff undertook to follow up on this matter.

● **Combined Community Board Evening Seminar Topic**

Staff were asked to consider arranging a Combined Community Board Evening Seminar on the topic of road safety.

● **Papanui Memorial Reserve**

It was clarified that staff were consulting with Rotary Club of Papanui over the proposed clock on the reserve and were also assessing the merits of a mural on the reserve fence.

PART C – REPORTS ON DELEGATED DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE

4. CONFIRMATION OF REPORT – 19 MAY 2008

The Committee **resolved** that the report of the Greenspace Traffic Works Committee meeting of 19 May 2008, be confirmed.

5. BEALEY AVENUE – P5 AT ANY TIME PARKING RESTRICTION

The Committee considered a report seeking approval to install a parking restriction at the corner of Bealey Avenue and Champion Street.

It was **resolved** that the parking of vehicles be restricted at any time, to a maximum period of five minutes on the north side of Bealey Avenue commencing at a point 9.5 metres west of its intersection with Champion Street and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 20.5 metres.

6. THE YOUNG TOTARA AWARD

Further to Clause 1 (Part B), the Committee considered a report seeking approval for an area of land to be set aside at the Styx Mill Conservation Reserve for the planting of totara trees. It was proposed that the trees would recognise outstanding young people in the local community as part of “The Young Totara Award” organised by the Belfast Rotary Club.

The Committee **resolved** that:

- (a) To approve the setting aside of an area of land at the Styx Mill Conservation Reserve as outlined in the report, for the planting of totara trees in recognition of outstanding young people within the local community;
- (b) To support the Belfast Rotary Club's wish to have individual recipients identified on site.

The meeting concluded at 5.53 pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 14TH DAY OF JULY 2008

**MATT MORRIS
CHAIRPERSON**