SHIRLEY/PAPANUI COMMUNITY BOARD 19 MAY 2010

Report of a meeting of the Shirley/Papanui Community Board, held on Wednesday 19 May 2010 at 4pm in the Boardroom, Papanui Service Centre, corner Langdons Road and Restell Street, Papanui.

PRESENT: Yvonne Palmer (Chairperson), Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Aaron Keown,

Matt Morris and Norm Withers.

APOLOGIES: An apology for absence was received and accepted from Kathy Condon.

The Board reports that:

PART A - MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

1. STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES FUNDING – KEY LOCAL PROJECTS 2010

This item will be considered by the Metropolitan Funding Committee in July.

2. NOTICES OF MOTION

2.1 The following notice of motion was submitted by Yvonne Palmer:

"That the Council consider installing 40 kilometres per hour speed restrictions outside Christchurch schools and that it advocate to central government through the Minister of Transport for a mandatory 40 kilometres per hour speed restriction outside every school in New Zealand."

With the agreement of the mover the notice of motion was altered as follows and voted on in parts:

"(a) That the Council investigate installing 40 kilometres per hour speed restrictions outside every Christchurch school."

The Notice of Motion was seconded by Norm Withers and when put to the meeting was declared **carried**.

"(b) That the Council advocate to central government through the Minister of Transport for a mandatory 40 kilometres per hour speed restriction outside every school in New Zealand."

The Notice of Motion was seconded by Norm Withers and when put to the meeting was declared **carried** on division No. 1 by four votes to two, the voting being as follows:

For (4): Aaron Keown, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer and Norm Withers

Against (2): Ngaire Button and Pauline Cotter.



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STAFF COMMENT

That the Council note that:

"40 kilometres per hour speed restrictions" are not appropriate on roads outside all schools. The reasons for this are outlined below:

- 1. New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) have developed warrant requirements that must be met before a 40 kilometres per hour part-time speed zone can be approved by NZTA. (Traffic note 37). The requirements of this warrant were determined after extensive quantitative analysis during the trial period of these zones in Christchurch.
- 2. The traffic note also prescribes a minimum and maximum distance of a zone. In many situations, two schools can be combined into one zone. However one example in Dunedin meant that a very long 40 kilometres zone would be created, for which there would be very low compliance by motorists.
- 3. The proposal to install 40 kilometres per hour part time speed zones has been raised by other Councils and senior staff from NZTA Wellington have indicated that it would not be supported.
- 4. A similar proposal was initiated in New South Wales where it was trialled at a number of schools. All the schools now have the electronic signage similar to the Christchurch "part-time 40 kilometres per hour speed zones" as the static signs did not work.
- 5. On high volume urban roads, school zones have proven to create a real problem for the children who operate the school patrol. By slowing the traffic there are less gaps for the children to operate the swing out signs. Traffic signals can be a far better option. A good example is Bishopdale school on Greers road where the zone is being replaced with signals to improve safety.
- 6. If 40 kilometres per hour part-time speed zones are installed where traffic signals exist, there will be a safety reduction. Shirley Boys High, Riccarton High, Villa Maria, Linwood College and possibly others have traffic signal controlled pedestrian crossing facilities. The reduced speed reduces the gaps in the traffic which extends the time students have to wait to cross. This means that students then take the risk and cross either side of the crossing where records prove the accidents occur. It also creates unnecessary delays to the traffic which will result in motorists continuing through on amber and possibly red signals.
- 7. Schools in rural areas which have a 100 kilometres per hour speed limit become problematic. Motorists are unable to read the times that a 40 kilometres per hour part-time speed zone operates safely, as doing so takes their attention away from the road itself. Most students are driven to the school gate. The vehicles that drop off the students create a speed reduction. If a vehicle slows to 40 kilometres on a non school day then they are put at risk from other traffic. Many motorists will choose to ignore the 40 kilometres per hour part-time speed zone. Students are then being provided with a false sense of security."

PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

3. **DEPUTATIONS**

3.1 LYNDA GOODRICK AND SIMON HILL - BELFAST AREA NETWORK

Lynda Goodrick and Simon Hill provided information on the work of the Belfast Area Network.

The Chair thanked Lynda Goodrick and Simon Hill for their deputation.

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3.2 MARGARET HOWLEY - SEATING FOR ST JAMES PARK

Margaret Howley expressed her wish to have two seats in St James Park near the St James Avenue entrance and tabled letters of support from Christchurch Central Methodist Mission and Golden Age Retirement Village.

The Chair thanked Margaret Howley for her deputation.

The Board **decided** to request staff to prepare a report on the installation of two park bench seats in St James Park immediately inside the St James Avenue entrance.

3.3 ROBERT JACKSON - BLAIR AVENUE STREET RENEWAL

Robert Jackson sought clarification around the Blair Avenue street renewal project and expressed concerns regarding traffic management at the Papanui Road end of the street. Mr Jackson's concerns were addressed when the Board considered the item at clause 13.

3.4 LIZ VAN MONTFORT - STAPLETONS ROAD

An apology was received from Liz van Montfort who was unable to remain to present her deputation. Liz van Montfort requested that Ralph Ross (Shirley Residents' Association) speak on her behalf to seek clarity around traffic management concerns including issues around the Stapletons Road/North Avon Road intersection.

The Chair thanked Ralph Ross for speaking on behalf of Liz van Montfort.

The Board **decided** to offer Liz van Montfort the opportunity to attend the Board's meeting on 2 June 2010 to clarify and discuss her concerns regarding Stapletons Road traffic issues.

4. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Nil.

5. NOTICES OF MOTION (CONTINUED)

5.1 The following notice of motion was submitted by Pauline Cotter:

"That, under its delegated authority, the Board agrees to install yellow No Stopping lines on St Albans Street to the west of the property at 147 St Albans Street, for a distance of one car length, to facilitate a safer exit from the property into the street."

With the agreement of the mover the notice of motion was altered as follows:

"That the Board requests staff to submit a report on the proposal to install yellow No Stopping lines and/or designated parking ticks on St Albans Street to the west of the property at 147 St Albans Street, to facilitate a safer exit from the property into the street."

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The Notice of Motion was seconded by Ngaire Button and when put to the meeting was declared carried.

6. BRIEFINGS

6.1 DAVID DALLY - UNIT MANAGER CUSTOMER SERVICES

David Dally provided information on the Unit he manages.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

The Board received the following correspondence:

7.1 A letter from Susan Peake regarding landscaping in Grants Road and surrounds.

The Board **decided** to invite Susan Peake to present a deputation on landscaping in Grants Road and surrounds to the Board at its meeting on 2 June 2010.

- 7.2 A letter from Malcolm Leigh regarding the Blair Avenue street renewal project. Mr Leigh's concerns were addressed when the Board considered the item at clause 13.
- 7.3 A letter from Craig Lange seeking information on progress for development of Grassmere Street to Rutland Street Cycle/Pathway project.

The Board **decided** to request staff to provide information to Mr Lange and the Board on the future development of this project.

8. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

At 6.47pm the Board **resolved** that the meeting stand adjourned for refreshment and resumed at 6.59pm.

9. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

At 7pm the Board **resolved** that the meeting stand adjourned to receive a seminar from staff. The meeting resumed at 7.40pm.

10. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISER'S UPDATE

The Board received updates from the Community Board Adviser on Board related activities. Specific mention was made of upcoming meetings, Discretionary Response Fund and Youth Development Fund balances, upcoming Council consultations and the Annual Plan schedules of capital works proposed in the ward.

10.1 COUNCIL DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2010/11

The Board **decided** to ratify its submission to the Council's draft Annual Plan 2010/11 as presented to the Council by the Board Chairperson on 12 May 2010.

10.2 USE OF FLAMMABLE GRASSES IN STREET PLANTING

In response to the Board's request of 17 March 2010 the Board was informed of the Council's decision of 13 May 2010 that the Council minimise the use of highly flammable vegetation in areas adjacent to private properties and Council infrastructure particularly those plants that produce large quantities of dead plant material.

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10.3 MEDWAY STREET/WOODCHESTER AVENUE INTERSECTION

A memorandum from staff was tabled which addressed the Board's request of 6 May 2009 when staff were requested to explore whether the residents' safety issues in the Medway Street/Woodchester Avenue area could be addressed in the short term.

10.4 PAPANUI CLUSTER

A memorandum from staff was tabled which addressed the Board's request of 3 March 2010 when staff were asked to provide information on the roadside planting maintenance schedule for the streets in the Papanui Cluster, being Frank, Wyndham, Horner, Proctor, Mary, Gambia and Loftus Streets.

10.5 RESTELL STREET PARKING RESTRICTION ENFORCEMENT

The Board **decided** that enforcement staff be requested to monitor the P10 parking area outside numbers 4 to 6 Restell Street to ensure parking compliance.

11. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

Nil.

PART C - DELEGATED DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD

12. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - 5 MAY 2010

The Board **resolved** that the minutes of its ordinary meeting, both open and public excluded, held on 5 May 2010 be confirmed, subject to an amendment to clause 1 of the open meeting minutes such that it should read:

"This item was submitted to the Council meeting of 27 May 2010.

For the purposes of recording the discussion, the matter was dealt with as follows:

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Shirley/Papanui Community Board recommend to the Council the following resolutions in this form:

- (a) That the existing lessees for the childcare centres as listed in the **attached** schedule be offered a new lease upon expiry of their existing lease terms on 30 June 2010.
- (b) That the new leases be generally on the Council's generic lease terms and conditions.
- (c) That the initial term of the leases be six years with one right of renewal for a further six years, which provides for a final expiry date of 30 June 2022 if the right of renewal is exercised.
- (d) That the market rentals as set out in the attached schedule be adopted from lease commencement, with market related rent reviews at three yearly intervals.
- (e) That the Corporate Support Unit Manager be granted delegated authority to conclude and administer the leases, as generally set out in the above resolutions.

BOARD DECISION

- (a) That (a), (b) and (e) of the staff recommendations be adopted.
- (b) That clause (c) be adopted with the addition of a new recommendation:

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- (i) That staff be requested to have discussions with St Albans Edu-Care on a mutually acceptable lease arrangement that suits that centre's intention to eventually relocate.
- (c) Kathy Condon moved clause (d), seconded by Norm Withers and when put to the meeting was declared **carried** on division no. 1 by five votes to two, the voting being as follows:

For (5): Ngaire Button, Kathy Condon, Aaron Keown, Yvonne Palmer and

Norm Withers.

Against (2): Pauline Cotter and Matt Morris.

13. BLAIR AVENUE STREET RENEWAL

The Board considered a report seeking approval for the proposed Blair Avenue Street Renewal project.

The Board **resolved** to let the matter lay on the table and that Board members meet with the management of KFC to discuss the issue of customer traffic in Blair Avenue to and from their premises at 477 Papanui Road and that the report on the Blair Avenue Street Renewal be resubmitted to the Board's meeting on 2 June 2010.

14. PROPOSED RIGHT OF WAY NAMING

The Board considered a report seeking approval to one new right of way name.

The Board **resolved** to approve the proposed right of way name Friel Lane, for the right of way between 267 and 269A Hills Road.

15. AVERILL STREET AT STAPLETONS ROAD- PROPOSED NO STOPPING RESTRICTION

The Board considered a report seeking approval that the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the north side of Averill Street at its intersection with Stapletons Road.

The Board **resolved** to approve that the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the north side of Averill Street commencing at a point 25 metres east of its intersection with Stapletons Road and extending in a north westerly direction for a distance of 16 metres.

16. ERICA STREET - SAFETY CONCERNS

The Board considered a report seeking a review on the implementation of low cost options for safety improvement in Erica Street.

The Board resolved in relation to Erica Street to:

- (a) Receive the information.
- (b) Approve that centrelines, as shown on the plan attached to the agenda, be installed.
- (c) Approve that the Children Warning signs be installed.

17. GRASSMERE STREET - PROPOSED NO STOPPING RESTRICTION

The Board considered a report seeking approval that the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the north side of Grassmere Street in the vicinity of Roderick Alleyn Lane.

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The Board resolved:

- (a) That any existing parking restrictions at any time on the north side of Grassmere Street to a point 127 metres in a westerly direction from the western kerb line of Roderick Alleyn Lane be revoked.
- (b) That the stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the north side of Grassmere Street commencing at a point 25 metres in an easterly direction from the western kerb line of Roderick Alleyn Lane and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 127 metres.

The Board decided:

- (a) To request staff to investigate if the bus stop and associated sign outside 41 Grassmere Street can be better formed as it is currently on a grass verge.
- (b) To request staff to investigate if appropriate road marking is required at the juncture of Grants Road and Grassmere Street to improve traffic safety.

The meeting concluded at 7.55pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 2ND DAY OF JUNE 2010

YVONNE PALMER CHAIRPERSON