

FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY BOARD 15 FEBRUARY 2011

Report of a meeting of the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board held on Tuesday 15 February 2011 at 4pm in the Boardroom, Fendalton Service Centre, Corner Jeffreys and Clyde Roads.

PRESENT: Val Carter (Chairperson), Faimeh Burke, Sally Buck, David Cartwright,

Cheryl Colley, Jamie Gough and David Halstead.

APOLOGIES: Nil.

The Board reports that:

PART A - ITEMS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

1. FENDALTON OPEN-AIR SCHOOL SPEED ZONE – VARIABLE SPEED LIMIT

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment Group, DDI 941-8608
Officer responsible:	Transport and Greenspace Unit Manager
Author:	Jennie Hamilton, Capital Development Unit, Consultation Leader

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to request that the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board endorses the installation of a new variable speed limit (40 kilometre per hour school zone) on Clyde Road, outside Fendalton Open-Air School, and that the Board recommends to Council the approval of a new variable speed limit and its inclusion in the Christchurch City Speed Limits Register.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The Council has a programme of installing 40 kilometre per hour variable speed limits (known as 'school zones') outside schools according to a prioritisation process (see paragraph 21). To date 33 schools have benefited from this treatment. Fendalton Open-Air School is now ranked No.2 on the Council's prioritisation list. The proposed 'school zone' will operate on school days between 8.30am and 9.00am and 3.00pm and 3.20pm.
- Since adopting the Christchurch City Council Speed Limits Bylaw 2010, which became
 operative on 1 January 2010, the Council can resolve to make new variable speed limits.
 Infrastructure for school speed zones cannot be commissioned until the variable speed limits
 have been formally resolved by Council.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4. The recommendations of this report align with 2009 2019 Long Term Council Community Plan budgets.
- 5. The budget for school speed zones in 2010/11 is \$112,678. There is sufficient funding to install the Fendalton Open-Air School speed zone in the current financial year.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. The proposed variable speed limit complies with the conditions specified and published by the Director of Land Transport New Zealand in the New Zealand Gazette (2/6/2005, No. 3459, page 2051) approving a variable speed limit of 40 kilometres per hour in school zones and setting out conditions for those speed limits. A Council resolution is required to implement the speed limit restrictions.

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7. The proposed variable speed limit also complies with the Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

8. This report's recommendations support the project objectives as outlined in the 2009-19 LTCCP (School Speed Zone Signs: page 247).

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

9. This project is consistent with key Council strategies including the Road Safety Strategy, the Pedestrian Strategy and Cycling Strategy.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

- 10. A memorandum advising the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board of plans to install a school speed zone in Clyde Road outside Fendalton Open-Air School was sent on Thursday 18 November 2010. For a copy of the proposal see Attachment 1.
- 11. Before the Council can set a variable speed limit pursuant to Clause 5(1) of the Christchurch City Speed Limits Bylaw 2010, the public consultation requirements set out in Section 7.1 of the Land Transport Rule Setting of Speed Limits 2003 Rule 54001 must be complied with. Section 7.1(2) provides that the persons who must be consulted before the Council sets a speed limit are:
 - (a) road controlling authorities that are responsible for roads that join, or are near, the road on which the speed limit is to be set or changed;
 - (b) a territorial authority that is affected by the existing or proposed speed limit;
 - (c) any local community that the road controlling authority considers to be affected by the proposed speed limit;
 - (d) the Commissioner of Police;
 - (e) the Chief Executive Officer of the New Zealand Automobile Association Incorporated:
 - (f) the Chief Executive Officer of the Road Transport Forum New Zealand;
 - (g) other organisation or road user group that the road controlling authority considers to be affected by the proposed speed limit; and
 - (h) The Director of Land Transport New Zealand now the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA).

12. Section 7.1(3) of the Rule provides:

A road controlling authority must consult by writing to the persons in 7.1(2) advising them of the proposed speed limit and giving them a reasonable time, which must be specified in the letter, to make submissions on the proposal. In terms of Section 7.1(2)(a) and 7.1(2)(b) there are no road controlling authorities or territorial authorities that are required to be consulted in respect of any of the proposed variable speed limits.

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- 13. Representatives of the Commissioner of Police, the Director of New Zealand Transport Association, the Chief Executive Officer of the New Zealand Automobile Association Incorporated and the Chief Executive Officer of the Road Transport Forum of New Zealand have received written advice of the proposed new variable speed limit in accordance with Section 7.1(2) (d), (e), (f) and (h). No other organisation or road user group is considered to be affected by the proposed speed limits. No neighbouring road controlling authority is affected. No issues were raised.
- 14. A spokesperson for the New Zealand Transport Agency supported the proposed Fendalton Open-Air School zone from No. 186 to No. 152 Clyde Road. He commented that the zone would assist children from both Fendalton Primary School and Cobham Intermediate who crossed this arterial route.
- 15. A spokesperson for the New Zealand Road Transport Association supported the proposal to limit traffic speed in Clyde Road to 40 kilometres per hour before and after school. This enabled "everyone to share the roads", she said.
- 16. A consultation plan was circulated to 80 residents and absentee property owners on 24 November 2010. The school also provided details to its school community via its newsletter.
- 17. Comments were received from six stakeholders, four of them supportive. Another submitter sought clarification on the location of a sign and the sixth suggested other methods to improve the management of school traffic.
- 18. Submitters were sent a copy of the plan for Council approval, and a letter outlining the project team's responses to their suggestions and concerns. They were was also advised of the Community Board meeting date and time, and how to contact the Board Adviser if they wished to seek speaking rights.
- 19. A spokesman for the Russley, Avonhead and Memorial Residents' Association has indicated support for the proposed school speed zone in Clyde Road.
- 20. Fendalton Open-Air School administrators support the installation of a variable speed limit outside their school and are prepared to operate it.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Council approves:

- (a) The installation of the new variable speed limit (school speed zone) of 40 kilometres per hour on Clyde Road specified below in accordance with Section 7.1 of the Land Transport Setting of Speed Limits Rule 2003.
- (b) That pursuant to Clause 5(1) of the Christchurch City Speed Limits Bylaw 2010 a variable speed limit of 40 kilometres per hour applies on Clyde Road, commencing at a point 83 metres south of Jeffreys Road and extending in a southerly direction along Clyde Road for a distance of 358 metres. The variable speed limit of 40 kilometres per hour is to apply on school days between 8.30am and 9am and between 3pm and 3.20pm.
- (c) That the above-mentioned variable speed limit shall come into force on the date of adoption of the Council's resolution, and will be enforceable following the installation of the variable speed limit signage as per the Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004 and New Zealand Transport Agency Traffic Note 37: 40 kilometres per hour variable speed limits in school zones Guidelines.

BOARD RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.

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BACKGROUND

- 21. Fendalton Open-Air School is currently No. 2 on the Council's prioritisation list for installation of new school speed zones. This process ranks each road fronting a school by scoring the following 10 factors: road classification (i.e. local, major arterial etc), traffic volume, traffic speed, road environment (distractions, visibility etc), community interest, kerbside activity, number of children crossing the roadway, cyclist volume, percentage of trucks, and whether a school patrol exists. There are 293 frontage roads at the 162 schools in the Christchurch City area.
- 22. Two options were considered by the project team. The first and preferred option is to install a 40 kilometre per hour variable speed limit using electronic and static signage that operates outside Fendalton Open-Air School on school days from 8.30am to 9.00am and 3.00pm to 3.20pm. The other option is to maintain the status quo. The school is keen to see a speed zone installed in Clyde Road to improve safety for pupils.

PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

2. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

2.1 MR MALCOLM PENNY – WESTERN MOTORWAY AND FOUR LANING OF RUSSLEY ROAD

Mr Malcolm Penny, a resident of Russley Road was in attendance and discussed his concerns regarding the proposed loss of on-street parking on Russley Road and safety issues associated with the changes that the New Zealand Transport Agency propose in the four laning of Russley Road.

Mr Penny also tabled written objections from other residents of Russley Road to the loss of car parking outside their properties.

The Chairperson thanked Mr Penny for bringing these concerns to the attention of the Board.

3. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

3.1 **POYNDER AVENUE**

The Chairperson, Val Carter tabled a petition from residents in Poynder Avenue regarding flooding in their street.

Staff informed members that this matter had been dealt with and several blockages had been cleared and a camera inserted in the affected pipes to ensure there were no further obstructions.

The Board received the petition.

4. NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil.

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5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 NZ TRANSPORT AGENCY

The Board **received** correspondence from Richard Shaw of New Zealand Transport Agency in reply to the Board's feedback on the Western Motorway project as well as the following tabled correspondence regarding this project.

- Mr David Wilson
- Mr Errol Smith

6. BRIEFINGS

6.1 INFRASTRUCTURE REBUILD PROJECT

Staff informed the Board that this item had been rescheduled due to the lengthy nature of the briefing. This item will now be covered in a seminar to be held on Wednesday 23 February 2011.

6.2 **DISABILITY ADVISORY GROUP**

Staff informed the Board that this item had been postponed due to the presenter having left the organization. Once the recruiting process was completed this item would be rescheduled for a meeting later in the year.

6.3 WESTERN INTERCEPTOR

Peter Brocklehurst was in attendance and gave a general update on this project, including traffic management proposals for work planned in Fendalton Road, consultation with residents and arrangements for the Rugby World Cup.

6.4 'WELCOME TO CHRISTCHURCH' SIGN - MEMORIAL AVENUE

Richard Stokes, Unit Manager - Marketing was in attendance and updated members on the progress of this project and tabled the proposed new design for 'Welcome to Christchurch' sign.

6.5 WESTERN MOTORWAY

Richard Shaw of New Zealand Transport Agency was in attendance and gave a general update on this matter and answered questions raised by Mr Malcolm Penny and other queries from Members.

The Board **decided** to make a number of formal resolutions on this matter which are covered in clause 13 of these minutes.

7. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISER'S UPDATE

The Community Board Adviser updated members on current issues in the ward.

- An earthquake recovery report was tabled for members information.
- A resolution on the Committee and other meeting dates for 2011 is included in clause 14 of these minutes.

8. ELECTED MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

• The Board **decided** to request that staff arrange a meeting of the Board with Christchurch International Airport Limited (CIAL) to discuss areas of mutual interest before the end of April.

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9. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

Nil.

PART C - REPORT ON DELEGATED DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD

10. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING MINUTES - BOARD MEETING OF 14 AND 15 DECEMBER 2010

The Board **resolved** that the minutes of the Board's ordinary meeting and the Joint Fendalton/Waimairi and Shirley/Papanui Community Board meeting be confirmed.

11. FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY BOARD – SMALL GRANTS FUND ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE FOR 2010/13 TERM

The Board's approval was sought to establish the Fendalton/Waimairi Small Grants Fund Assessment Committee for the 2010/13 term.

The Board resolved:

- (a) To establish the Fendalton/Waimairi Small Grants Fund Assessment Committee with the following Term of Reference:
 - To allocate annually under delegated authority, the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board's Small Grants Fund – Local, in accordance with Council policy and the LTCCP
- (b) Not to appoint community representatives to the Fendalton/Waimairi Small Grants Fund Assessment Committee.
- (c) That the Committee comprises all members of the Board, including councillors if they wish to attend.
- (d) That the Fendalton/Waimairi Small Grants Fund Assessment Committee appoint a Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson at its first meeting.
- (e) That the Fendalton/Waimairi Small Grants Fund Assessment Committee require a quorum of five members for decision making.

12. NEW ZEALAND COMMUNITY BOARDS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – ZONE 5 REPRESENTATIVES - ELECTION

The Board was requested to vote in the election for the Zone 5 New Zealand Community Boards' Executive Committee Representative and Deputy Representative positions due to more than one nomination being received for each position.

The Board resolved:

(a) The following order of their voting

Zone 5 Representative

- 1 David East
- 2 Mike Mora
- 3 David Gresham.

Zone 5 Deputy Representative

- 1 David East
- 2 Pauline Cotter
- 3 Mike Mora
- 4 Michael (Mik) Symmons.

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(b) That the Board Chairperson be authorised to complete the marking of the voting papers in relation to (a) above.

13. BRIEFINGS (Cont'd)

13.1 WESTERN MOTORWAY

The Board resolved:

- (a) To request New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) to meet, within the next two weeks, with the affected residents to discuss their concerns and possible options and that appropriate council staff be invited to ensure that any such options accord with council policy. Also that discussions at the meeting include possible options of maintaining some car parking.
- (b) That the Board receive feedback on the outcomes of these discussions at their next meeting.
- (c) The Board requests NZTA to acknowledge that the Board wishes to be a formal contributor to the Social Impact analysis currently taking place.
- (d) The Board requests that attendance at the proposed council seminar to discuss the Western Motorway on 22 February 2011 be extended to include Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board and other affected community boards.

14. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISER'S UPDATE (Cont'd)

14.1 CURRENT ISSUES

(a) Committee Meeting Dates for 2011

The Board resolved:

(a) To adopt the Committee meeting dates for 2011 as follows:

Works, Traffic and Environment Committee	Community Finance & Planning Committee
Monday 7 March	Wednesday 30 March
Monday 4 April	Wednesday 27 April
Monday 2 May	Wednesday 25 May
Tuesday 7 June	Wednesday 29 June
Monday 4 July	Wednesday 27 July
Monday 1 August	Wednesday 31 August
Monday 5 September	Wednesday 28 September
Monday 3 October	Wednesday 26 October
Monday 7 November	Wednesday 30 November
Monday 5 December	

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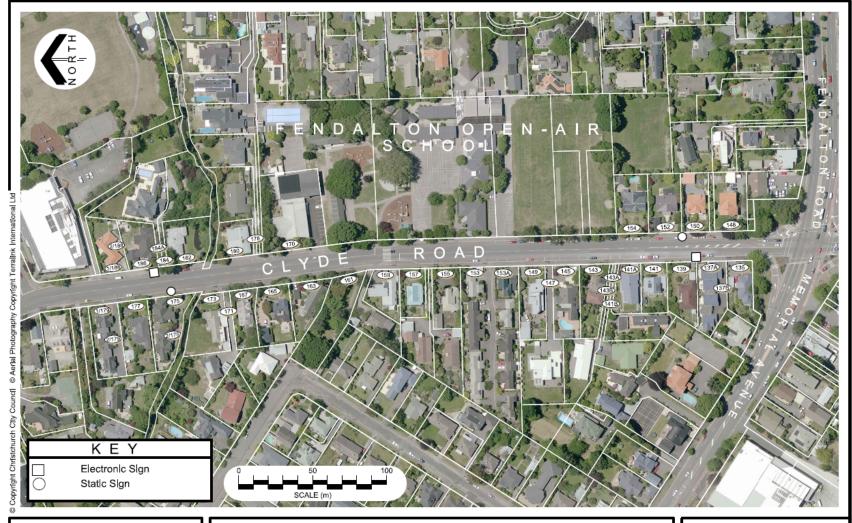
- (b) That the meetings be held in the Boardroom, Fendalton Service Centre, corner of Jeffreys and Clyde Roads at 4.30pm.
- (c) That the minutes of the Community Board should be confirmed at a further Community Board meeting to take place just prior to the Works, Traffic and Environment Committee meetings. This meeting is for minute confirmation only.

The meeting concluded at 6.10pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 19TH DAY OF APRIL 2011

VAL CARTER CHAIRPERSON

ATTACHMENT TO CLAUSE 1





FENDALTON OPEN-AIR SCHOOL SPEED ZONE

For Council Approval

Original Plan Size: A4

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