

Waihoru
Spreydon-Cashmere Community Board
MINUTES ATTACHMENTS

Date: Wednesday 15 June 2022
Time: 8am
Venue: Boardroom, Beckenham Service Centre,
66 Colombo Street, Beckenham

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Update and further request for Item 9: Barrington Street / Cashmere Road / Purau Terrace Pedestrian Island Improvements:

Wednesday 15th June 2022

Kia ora Waihoru Spreydon-Cashmere Community Board and Council officers,

Thank you for this opportunity to table a brief further request to the minor roundabout design improvements, as well as table a letter from the Deputy Principal of Te Kura o Huriawa Thorrington Primary School.

1.0 Painting the base of the Islands white.

The extension and rebuilding of the Barrington Street Island is welcomed as will achieve a compliant solution for people trying to cross east-west over Barrington Street. The additions of the 2No. handrails on each of the three islands is also supported, as this introduces a three-dimensional element (in yellow) to indicate to drivers (when they finally turn their heads around towards their exiting island) that they may expect to see people crossing on foot, scooter, pram or bicycle. We are grateful for these improvements, however, acknowledge that they are basic visibility and warning (dots for pedestrians) improvements and do not create safe crossing points for all ages and stages in order to instigate the urgent modal shift required towards more active and/or passenger transport trips. In bringing these roundabouts up to a basic standard, our further request for these improvements please be **that the base of the islands be painted white to improve their visibility**. Currently their grey aesthetic blends well into the surrounding road-scape, making them almost invisible.

These images illustrate the benefits of painting the base of pedestrian islands: Below: Currently invisible Barrington / Cashmere roundabout; and overleaf recently painted islands at Colombo / Dyers and Somerfield.



Barrington / Cashmere: invisible island



Barrington / Cashmere: Grey concrete and pavers



Colombo and Dyers: White paint lifts visibility



Somerfield Street Island: bright and visible

2.0 Bus Priority Project

We also acknowledge the possible future Bus Priority project and encourage the Council to prioritise safe walkable connections to and from bus stops as a logical and fundamental pre-requisite to achieve greater bus patronage numbers. Walking to / from buses is especially relevant here as the location of a possible future bus route along the northern side of Cashmere Road, indicates that it stops just west of the Barrington / Cashmere roundabout. This suggests local modal shift priorities, rather than say a commuter bus for areas further out of town. Without a significant redress of the priorities between cars and all other modes here, we do not in principle support road widening here at the roundabout as this would increase the safety issue via the length of exposure needed to cross in front of fast oncoming cars. We welcome early engagement into this process as many of us are all keen to see and use more efficient and effective bus services.

3.0 Te Kura o Huriawa Thorrington Primary School

Due to a change in Principal last term, a submission was not able to be made in the time frame. However, deputy principal Chris Panther has offered the following update in the attached letter.

Many thanks for your time in reading this and taking on board our minor recommendation for the white painting of the base to further improve the visibility of these islands as an interim solution.

Yours kindly,
Nicola Williams & and the local residents near the roundabout,
Barringtoncashmeresafestreets.org.nz
[0211107148](tel:0211107148)



13 June 2022

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to support the concerns raised by local residents and school families around the Barrington / Cashmere roundabout who have been lobbying the Christchurch City Council and the Community Board for some pedestrian safety improvements across the roundabout. This is especially important given most of Thorrington's zone catchment is west of Colombo Street and most kids have to cross Cashmere Road.

We are in the process of reviewing the school Travel Plan once our new Principal begins in Term 3 2022.

Our school would support any and all safety improvements that can be added to this roundabout. We want to encourage our students to walk, bike and scooter to school and must ensure there is a safe option for them to do so.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any further information.

Ngā mihi nui,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Panther', written in a cursive style.

Chris Panther

Tumuaki Tuarua – Deputy Principal

Te Kura o Huriawa Thorrington

"The school at the bend in the river"





Thu 9/06/2022 4:51 pm

Geoff Mcphail

Pedestrian safety at the Barrington Street/Cashmere Road/Purau Terrace roundabout

To  Sharland, Sam

Cc  Byrne, Marie

To: Christchurch City Council and Waihoru Spreydon-Cashmere Community Board

Consult, consult, consult, do nothing, do nothing, do nothing.

For over twenty years the Christchurch City Council has consulted about pedestrian safety on Cashmere Road and **again** nothing changes.

Why do you bother consulting with residents when you have no intention of listening and acting on safety concerns.

All neighbouring main streets including Colombo, Barrington and Centaurus Roads all have traffic islands installed for pedestrian safety.

The proposed bus lane will be a financial and safety disaster making the road more dangerous for pedestrians and benefit a handful of people that use the bus. Most of the time the bus goes past our place with 0-4 people on it. What a total waste of our money even considering it.

I have lost total confidence in the Council making any sensible decisions.

I am not wasting my time consulting with Council on any issues because you don't listen to the residents/ratepayers.

Yours Sincerely

Geoff and Leanne McPhail

