

Hearings Panel

Gloucester Street “Streets for People” Trial

MINUTES

Date: Monday 12 August 2024
Time: 9.31 am
Venue: Gloucester Street "Streets for People" Trial
Committee Room 1, Level 2, Civic Offices,
53 Hereford Street, Christchurch

Present

Chairperson Councillor Sara Templeton
Members Councillor Mark Peters
Community Board Chairperson Emma Norrish

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The agenda was dealt with in the following order.

1. Apologies Ngā Whakapāha

There were no apologies received.

2. Election of Chairperson Te Whakatū Poumua Hearings Panel Recommendation

It was **decided** that Councillor Sara Templeton be appointed Chairperson of the Hearings Panel.

Councillor Peters/Member Norrish

Carried

3. Declarations of Interest Ngā Whakapuaki Aronga

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

5. Volumes of Submissions - Gloucester Street "Streets for People" Trial Hearings Panel Resolved BLHP/2024/00004

Officer recommendations accepted without change

That the Hearings Panel:

1. Accepts the written submissions, including any late submissions, received on the Gloucester Street "Streets for People" Trial.

Councillor Templeton/Member Norrish

Carried

4. Gloucester Street "Streets for People" Trial

Council Officers, and external staff listed below, joined the table to present the officers' report and responded to questions arising from the Hearings Panel.

- Jacob Bradbury – Manager Planning & Delivery Transport
- Hannah Ballentyne – Senior Engagement Advisor
- Lauren Boyce – Project Manager
- Tracy Flemming – Abley Transport

Attachments

A Gloucester Street "Streets for People" Trial Hearings Panel Staff Presentation

6. Hearing of Submissions Ngā Tāpaetanga

The Hearings Panel received presentations from the following submitters:

- 14848 – Michael Bell
- 14432 – Dianne Downward
- 14790 – Nicki Carter on behalf of the Carter Group
- 14247 – Danny Rood
- 14152 – John Allwn
- 14118 – Alexander Morton
- 14082 – Graeme Back on behalf of the Fable Hotel
- 15065 – Ross Gumbley on behalf of the Court Theatre

The meeting adjourned at 11.06am and reconvened at 11.30am.

7 Site Visit

The Hearings Panel undertook a site visit to Gloucester Street, between Colombo Street and Manchester Street, on Monday 12 August 2024, from 11.30am to 12.25pm.

7. Consideration and Deliberation Ngā Whaiwhakaaro me Ngā Taukume o Ngā Kōrero

Following the conclusion of verbal submissions, the Hearings Panel put forward a number of questions to Council Officers. The meeting adjourned in order for Council Officers to compile the responses.

The meeting adjourned at 12.28pm Monday 12 August 2024 to 9.30am Thursday 15 August 2024 in Committee Room 1, Civic Offices.

The meeting reconvened at 9:35am on Thursday 15 August 2024 in Committee Room 1, Civic Offices.

Council Officers Lauren Boyce, Project Manager, Jacob Bradbury, Manager Planning & Delivery Transport, and Hannah Ballentyne, Senior Engagement Advisor returned to the table to respond to questions raised by the Hearings Panel.

Attachments

A Gloucester Street "Streets for People" Trial - Answers to Panel Questions 

8. Hearings Panel Recommendations Ngā Tūtohu o Te Tira Tauaki

The Hearings Panel accepted the Officer Recommendations (Recommendations 1-3) and resolved to include additional recommendations (Recommendations 3a-e, Recommendations 4-9) to address various matters raised throughout the hearings process.

Hearings Panel Resolved BLHP/2024/00005

That the Council:

1. Receives the information in the Gloucester Street "Streets for People" Trial Report and considers the written and oral submissions made as part of the public consultation process.
2. Notes that the decision in this report is assessed as medium significance based on the Christchurch City Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. Approves the staff recommendation to permanently retain the layout, as shown in **Attachment B** including the following changes:
 - a. Additional paint marking and shared zone signage at entrance ways
 - b. P10 parking at all times for five carparks directly outside Court Theatre
 - c. Request staff to investigate the possibility of moving the Wahi Taiao stage to 146 Gloucester Street or another nearby location and replacing it with another piece of street furniture
 - d. Requests staff investigate relocating the existing rubbish bin from near 160 Gloucester Street to near 146 Gloucester Street.
 - e. Swap the planter box adjacent to the 158 Gloucester Street Press Building with the planter box on the Northern side of Gloucester Street to improve visibility for drivers exiting 148 Gloucester Street carpark
4. Notes that the layout in **Attachment B** cannot be implemented until the hoardings on Gloucester Street have been removed following construction of the Court Theatre.
5. Notes that staff will return to Council with the detailed traffic resolutions required to implement the layout in **Attachment B** prior to completion of the Court Theatre.
6. Notes that pending completion of construction of the Court Theatre, the existing trial layout will be retained under the current Traffic Management Plan
7. Considers funding for permanent changes to Gloucester Street to be considered in a future Annual Plan/Long Term Plan.
8. Requests staff investigate options to improve visibility of the P5 parking outside Tūranga on the Cathedral Square side.
9. Requests staff to provide an update on the project 12 months after the opening of the Court Theatre.

Councillor Norrish/Councillor Templeton

Carried

Meeting concluded at 10.49am.

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COUNCILLOR SARA TEMPLETON

CHAIRPERSON