

Christchurch City Council MINUTES ATTACHMENTS

Date:	Wednesday 20	August 2025
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Time: 9.31 am

Venue: Boardroom, Fendalton Service Centre, Corner Jeffreys

and Clyde Roads, Fendalton

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Facts

- The Anglican Church has a presence on this sight since 1902.
- The hall was constructed and used by the parish as a community facility and Vicar's office.
- 1927, the church was moved from its site in Bridle Path Rd to its current position.
- 98 years of presence.



- The church is the oldest building in the Valley.
- The premises is the oldest business in the Valley being used daily for 165 years.



Currently used every day

- 15 community groups use the facility.
- Aikado Group is the 2nd largest group besides the church utilising the hall 5 times each week mainly with children aged 5 and up.
- The Parish of Heathcote and Mt Pleasant has its office there and this is used daily.
- Weddings, funerals occur at regular intervals throughout the year.



- When the City Council officers discussed the proposed cycleway extension past the church with us, no mention was made of parking restrictions. (Had this been, we would have made application at this time).
- 1 car park space has been left outside the church for parking for funeral and wedding vehicles.
- Parking along Truscotts Rd (Church frontage) has been reduced to parks 50m from the gate.
- Parking along Martindales Rd is reduced to 2-3 parks (depending on the vehicle size.



- We have met with City Council officers on 2 occasions to discuss the parking situation
- The reply is that the altered cycleway and subsequent roading changes make parking hazardous.
- Nobody has appreciated the extended time of the church's presence on the site and the amount of use of the premises.



Recommendations

- The curbing on the south end of the Martindales/Truscotts Rd corner has been altered. This narrows the entrance into Truscotts Rd from Martindales Rd.
- As this reduces the carriageway by a vehicle width, the parking of cars beyond this corner is non-hazardous on the roadside opposite the church (against the Railway land).
- Our application is for the yellow lines beside the culvert along Truscotts Rd be removed from the street.



- The best solution for us is to have all the yellow lines on both sides of Truscotts Rd removed.
- However, with the reduced road width, we see this as a possible hazard.
- Removal of the yellow lines on the opposite side of the road is a fair and equitable solution.
- We respectfully request that you give this matter your attention.



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