

Chairperson and Community Board Members
WAIKANAE COMMUNITY BOARD

9 FEBRUARY 2016

Meeting Status: **Public**

Purpose of Report: For Decision

RELOCATION OF BUS STOP ON FIELD WAY WAIKANAE

PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1 This report seeks the Waikanae Community Board's (WCB) approval to relocate the bus stop located near the junction on Konini Crescent to a position approximately 60m south of its current location.

DELEGATION

- 2 Section 10.17 of the Governance Structure and Delegations 2013-2016 Triennium gives the Community Board the:

“Authority to approve or reject officer recommendations relating to all traffic control and signage matters in relation to existing local roads within the Community Board’s area, except for changes to speed restrictions on local roads. (The latter power has been delegated to the Regulatory Management Committee).”

BACKGROUND

- 3 Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) has approached Council Officers to get their agreement to relocate Bus Stop “1604 Konini Crescent” on Field Way Waikanae Beach. This is to allow them more room at the bus stop to erect a new bus shelter.
- 4 To relocate a bus stop GWRC requires a resolution from the appropriate Council committee giving them permission to do so. A copy of the GWRC letter requesting the relocation of this bus stop is **attached** as Appendix 1 to this report.

ISSUES AND OPTIONS

Issues

- 5 The positioning of a bus stop has to be considered for the effect on sight-lines, road safety and the convenience of other road users including not only motorised vehicles but also pedestrians and cyclists. Several options were presented by GWRC to Council officers. These were reviewed and the outcome of this is detailed as follows:

Option 1

- 6 GWRC's first option was to relocate to a position 20m south of the current site, between the boundary of number 21 Field Way and the northern car park access. This was rejected on road safety grounds because it placed the bus stop

directly opposite an intersection and a stopping/waiting bus could be a hazard to turning traffic and would block the car park entrance.

Option 2

- 7 GWRC's second option was to site the bus stop and shelter 60m south of the current location centrally between two Pohutukawa trees on the edge of the Council reserve. This places the stop clear of Konini Crescent, closer to the bus stop on the eastern side of Field Way, and near to the beach access – a possible destination for bus users. It also places the shelter clear of the footpath and any overhanging trees, and provides good clear visibility to and from the shelter for bus patrons and drivers. This visibility also allows patrons the security of being easily seen from neighbouring houses and passing traffic. A plan of the proposed location is **attached** as Appendix 2 to this report.
- 8 Option 2 is preferred by Council for reasons of road safety and the convenience and personal security it offers to bus patrons.

CONSIDERATIONS

Policy considerations

- 9 There are no policy implications in relation to the recommendation.

Legal considerations

- 10 There are no legal considerations other than ensuring any new signs or road-markings are manufactured and installed in accordance with New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) guidelines and New Zealand parking.

Financial considerations

- 11 The cost of the proposed line marking and signage works can be accommodated in the 2015/2016 maintenance and Minor Safety Improvement budgets.
- 12 The cost and implementation of changes to the bus stop signage and construction of the bus shelter are all met by GWRC.

Tāngata whenua considerations

- 13 There are no issues relating to Tangata Whenua for consideration.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

Degree of significance

- 14 This matter has a low level of significance under Council policy.

Consultation already undertaken

- 15 No consultation has taken place for this proposal.

Publicity

- 16 A media release should be made in conjunction with Mana Coach Services to advertise the planned changes to the bus stop and give the public prior warning

of any civil engineering works when the concrete pad is laid and the shelter constructed.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 17 That the Waikanae Community Board approves the relocation of Bus Stop 1604 Konini Crescent from its current position outside numbers 21 and 23 Field Way to a position 60 metres south, opposite number 16 Field Way.

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ATTACHMENTS

Appendix 1: GWRC letter

Appendix 2: Proposed Bus Stop and Shelter Location