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1 APOLOGIES



2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes - Wednesday, 2 December 2009

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Massey Community Board resolve to:

Receive the minutes of the meeting of the Massey Community Board held on Wednesday, 2 December 2009, as circulated, and that they be taken as read and now be confirmed.



3 URGENT BUSINESS

Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 provides that where an item of business is not on the agenda, it may only be dealt with at the meeting if:

- (i) the Board by resolution so decides; and
- (ii) the Chairman has explained at the beginning of the meeting (when open to the public) that the item will be raised for discussion and decision, why the item is not on the agenda, and why it cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

The Board may make a decision on a matter determined to be urgent.

NOTE: Urgent Business need not be dealt with now and may be delayed until later in the meeting.



4 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The Council has acknowledged in its Code of Conduct that Members need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member of the Council and any private or other external interest they might have. This note is provided as a reminder to Members to check that no such conflicts arise in relation to any items on this agenda.



5 PRESENTATION

Provision has been made on this agenda for a representative from the New Zealand Police to update the Board on matters in the Massey Ward.



6 PUBLIC FORUM

For guidance of Community Board Members, the Council's Standing Orders have the following provisions in regard to Public Forum:

- (i) members of the public wishing to address the Board in Public Forum shall furnish their names to the Chairman at the beginning of the meeting;
- (ii) the Chairman shall determine the order of speakers, and allow five minutes for speaking time; and
- (iii) questions by members are to be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by the speaker.

Section 46A(7A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 provides that no resolution, decision, or recommendation may be made in respect of any specific item of business not on the agenda except to refer the items to a subsequent meeting for further discussion. Therefore, no decision may be made on matters raised in Public Forum. However, written reports on matters raised may be requested from the Chief Executive Officer.



7 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Massey Community Board resolve to:

Receive the Chairman's Report dated 3 February 2010.

1. Welcome to 2010, the last lap before the Community Boards in Auckland disappear and Waitakere City Council is no more. It is interesting working through a process that at its end will see Community Board members made redundant and at the same time working on the terms and conditions for our next role, both of which are in the interests of the residents and ratepayers of the Massey Ward.
2. At the last 2009 meeting of Keep Waitakere Beautiful it was confirmed that Trees for Babies for 2010 in Massey would be held at Triangle Park, Massey. It would be good for the Board to make a recommendation to the Local Board that will look after the Massey subdivision for the venue for the 2011 Trees for Babies event. It would be appreciated if Members could carefully think of a good site, perhaps somewhere that the Trees for Babies event has not yet been held in the Massey Ward.
3. In the week before Christmas 2009, the turning of the sod was held at Starling Park, Ranui for the new complex that will house the soccer and softball clubs that utilise the park. Warren Flaunty, President of the Waitakere Licensing Trust made a speech at the ceremony as did Mayor Bob Harvey. The Trusts provided the majority of the funding. Starling Park, Ranui, is just around the corner from where I live so it was good being at the function. Thanks to Brian Neeson for also attending. The clubrooms will be an added bonus for the Ranui community and will enhance many of the facilities the Massey Ward enjoys.

4. On 5 December 2009, I went up to the Whenuapai Village Hall to watch the swags of bright white LED Christmas lights “officially” switched on by the Whenuapai Resident and Ratepayers Association Treasurer, Roy Arkesteijn. The Whenuapai Resident and Ratepayers Association requested funding from the local Community Wellbeing Fund, and the grant was approved by the Massey Community Board.



5. Occasions, such as the switching on of the lights at the Whenuapai Village Hall, did get me thinking how lucky the Massey Ward is. We often hear about what we need, the facilities we lack and the opportunities the residents do not have to participate in the community. Has anybody ever stopped to think what the good things are about Massey and the Massey Ward? Here are some positive examples of the good aspects.
6. The Massey Rugby Club has just celebrated 50 years and produced a number of All Blacks, some of whom attended Massey High School. This school has also produced television stars such as Shortland Street actress Angela Bloomfield. Other graduates from the secondary and primary schools in the area have represented New Zealand in badminton and played at the badminton complex in Royal Road, Massey. In Ranui, we also have a well established Rugby League Club.
7. We have Christmas Beach on Herald Island - a little gem of a beach. The Massey Birdwood Hall, the Whenuapai Village Hall, the Herald Island Hall and the Hobsonville Hall. All were built 50 plus years ago by inspired members of the current resident and ratepayer groups that are still active today. The halls themselves host many activities for local residents.
8. The Returned Services' Association in Hobsonville is great for fellowship, a meal and a beer. The Darts club and the BMX track that grace the Glen Road/Birdwood Winery Estate are great for the community. This Estate area also hosts the Massey Pony Club and the Auckland Car Club supports the many car club enthusiasts around who do not want to use the normal road as a race track.
9. The Hobsonville Bowling Club is very active in the community. Two soccer clubs are active in the Ward, one in Ranui and the other in Hobsonville. Community Board member Allen Davies was a founding member of the Massey Harrier and Athletic Club.
10. Westgate Shopping Centre, Royal Heights and the block of shops at the top end of Triangle Road, are all well established and form a focal point for the communities they serve. The Massey Ward of course is divided by a motorway and also has an air force base. The Royal New Zealand Air Force provides jobs for local residents while the motorway provides access to other parts of Auckland and jobs for the 50,000 plus population (and growing) as does close by Henderson and New Lynn. Some would argue who needs a local industry?

11. The Wards proximity to water provides activities for recreational fisherman and boaties to enjoy themselves and the West Harbour ferry provides a means of transport to downtown Auckland for those in the growing population who do not want to use the bus service.
12. Then there are our churches that provide activities for people to enjoy an important social link with others in the community. The Library, the Citizen's Advice Bureau (CAB) at the Westgate Shopping Centre, the active community houses in Massey and Ranui (and the Ti Tree café that Ranui runs) also provide important social links in the community. The markets that operate out of the Massey and Ranui Community Houses and the Whenuapai Village Hall are very successful.
13. There are also events like the Christmas Day parade on Herald Island and the trolley derby the Rotary Club will again be hosting in March 2010 on Westgate Drive - a successful event which has been operating for seven years.
14. We should all feel proud to be residents of the Massey Ward. I invite you to think of other things that are good about Massey and the Massey Ward.

JG Riddell
CHAIRMAN




8 **COMMITTEE SECRETARY'S REPORT**

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Massey Community Board resolve to:

1. **Receive** the Committee Secretary's Report for the Massey Community Board dated 3 February 2009.
2. **Agree** that the Massey Community Board appoint a representative(s) to attend the Anzac Day Parade on Sunday, 25 April 2010 as follows:
 - Hobsonville RSA - 11.00 am

	Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
1.	Reynella Reserve, Massey, Playground Design Officer's Report	As part of the Council's ongoing playground renewal programme, the playground at Reynella Reserve is being designed this financial year for construction in the 2010/2011 financial year. Mail drop surveys were distributed to the surrounding community in early August 2009 to obtain feedback on what equipment local residents would like in the playground. Feedback is being collated and concept designs are being developed.	Tracey Hamilton  836 8000 Ext: 8969


	Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
2.	Ranui Domain, Ranui, Changing Block Upgrade Officer's Report	As part of Council's ongoing building renewal programme, the toilet and changing room block at Ranui Domain is being upgraded this financial year. Works include maintenance to the interior of the block in accordance with the Parks Standard Toilet Specifications. Maintenance works will also be undertaken on the roof and windows. Physical works are scheduled to be undertaken in February 2010.	Tracey Hamilton ☎ 836 8000 Ext: 8969
3.	Connemara Reserve Playground, Hobsonville, Upgrade and Park Refurbishment Officer's Report	Community consultation was undertaken in the 2008/2009 financial year for the playground upgrade at Connemara Reserve. Building consent has been granted and it is anticipated that works will take place between February and April 2010. Refurbishment works are scheduled to take place at the Connemara Reserve and include minor fixture and furniture replacement and upgrading of the existing shade structure. The physical works tender was awarded in December 2009. A Building consent application for the new shade structure will be submitted in late January 2010 and works are scheduled to take place in early March 2010, subject to the building consent process.	Tracey Hamilton ☎ 836 8000 Ext: 8969
4.	Memorial Plaque for the late Gwen Nash, Community Hall, 91 – 93 Moire Road, Massey Officer's Report	A report recommending that a memorial plaque commemorating the late Gwen Nash be placed beside the Community Hall at 91 – 93 Moire Road, Massey will be presented to the Massey Community Board and the Infrastructure and Works Committee in March 2010.	Sarah Natac ☎ 836 8000 Ext: 8561
5.	Parking Stakeholder Consultation Resolution No. 319/2009 5 March 2009 Policy and Strategy Committee	The draft Parking Plans were adopted by the Policy and Strategy Committee on Thursday, 3 September 2009. Unfortunately delays have been experienced in finalising these plans. Additional resources have been made available and it is now expected that copies of the final Parking Plans will be available in February 2010.	Charlie Inggs ☎ 836 8000 Ext: 8854

	Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
6.	<p>Draft Waitakere City Freight Plan Consultation</p> <p>Resolution No. 1359/2009</p> <p>6 August 2009</p> <p>Policy and Strategy Committee</p>	<p>Public consultation on the draft Waitakere City Freight Plan concluded on Friday, 20 November 2009. The outcome of the consultation will be reported back to the Policy and Strategy Committee on Thursday, 4 February 2010. It is now expected that copies of the final Waitakere City Freight Plan will be available in March 2010. .</p>	<p>Charlie Inggs</p> <p>☎ 836 8000</p> <p>Ext: 8854</p>
7.	<p>Relocate Mainline Steam from Parnell to Paremuka</p> <p>Resolution No. 677/2009</p> <p>6 May 2009</p> <p>Massey Community Board</p>	<p>Consent Services has advised Kiwirail that it has formed a preliminary view that Mainline Steam will require resource consent for its relocation to Paremuka and that it cannot rely on the rail corridor designation for the proposed development. Kiwirail does not agree with this view and is seeking its own legal advice.</p> <p>Once Kiwirail's legal advice is received, the Council will review its position on this issue. In the event of it being confirmed that resource consent is required, Kiwirail has advised that it will reconsider whether or not it proceeds with the proposed Mainline Steam relocation from Parnell to Paremuka.</p>	<p>Darren Davis</p> <p>☎ 836 8000</p> <p>Ext: 8635</p>
8.	<p>Anzac Day Parade</p> <p>Sunday,</p> <p>25 April 2010</p> <p>Officer's Report</p>	<p>The Community Board is requested to appoint representative(s) to attend the Massey Ward Returned Servicemen's Association (RSA) Anzac Day Parade.</p> <p>In addition to the City's Dawn Parade at the Waikumete Cenotaph, each of the City's RSA's will host its own parade. The Council and the Community Boards have been invited to nominate official representatives to attend those parades. The Council, at its meeting to be held on Wednesday, 25 February 2009, will appoint Councillors to attend the various parades in the City.</p> <p>The appointment of a Board Member to attend the Hobsonville Community Anzac Day Parade is now referred to the Community Board for consideration.</p> <p>Parade details are:</p> <p>Venue: Hobsonville RSA</p> <p>Address: 114 Hobsonville Road, Hobsonville</p> <p>Time: 11.00 am</p>	<p>Tracy Haggo</p> <p>☎ 836 8000</p> <p>Ext: 8810</p>

	Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
9.	<p>Request for a Give Way sign at the Intersection of Picasso Drive and Hogarth Rise, West Harbour</p> <p>Resolution No. 1788/2009</p> <p>Public Forum 4 November 2009</p>	<p>The Public Forum submitter has been contacted and at this stage Council has declined their request for a Give Way control at the intersection of Picasso Drive and Hogarth Rise, West Harbour. As a general policy, Waitakere does not install such priority controls on local residential streets unless safety issues of some significance are demonstrated. Police records show no evidence that there have been any reported accidents at this intersection in the past five years.</p> <p>It is acknowledged that many drivers may not adhere to the right-hand rule, but in local road environments such as this, with relatively minor traffic volumes, it is assumed that some give and take is exercised.</p>	<p>Sue Liddell ☎ 836 8000 Ext: 8736</p>
10.	<p>Request for Pedestrian Refuges between 194 – 208 Don Buck Road, Massey</p> <p>Resolution No. 1659/2009</p> <p>Public Forum 7 October 2009</p>	<p>Following the request for pedestrian refuges between 194 and 208 Don Buck Road, Massey, Council has tentatively programmed a pedestrian refuge island to be installed in the vicinity of 204 Don Buck Road during the 2010/2011 financial year. A final list of projects will be drafted in June 2010 and priority will go to those projects with the greatest perceived safety benefits and the number of public it will serve.</p>	<p>Sue Liddell ☎ 836 8000 Ext: 8736</p>
11.	<p>Request for a Throat Island at Pooks Road / Hetherington Road, Ranui</p> <p>Resolution No. 1658/2009</p> <p>Public Forum 7 October 2009</p>	<p>Following the request for a throat island to be installed at the Pooks Road / Hetherington Road, Ranui intersection, a Council officer investigated the location and advised the resident that an island has been tentatively programmed to be installed in the 2010/2011 financial year. A final list of projects will be drafted in June 2010 and priority will go to those projects with the greatest perceived safety benefits.</p> <p>The asphalt speed humps were originally installed several years ago as part of the development on Pooks Road, and are a non-standard platform type. They still adequately reduce vehicle speeds on Pooks Road, but some shape deficiencies pointed out by the resident have been referred to operations and maintenance for review.</p>	<p>Sue Liddell ☎ 836 8000 Ext: 8736</p>

	Issue	Comments	Reporting Council Officer
A1-A6	12. Triangle Road Cycleway Arts Integration Officer's Report	<p>The Public Arts Team wish to present to the Massey Community Board, for their information and feedback, three artist concepts developed as part of the Triangle Road Cycleway project.</p> <p>In line with Council's arts procurement practice, three artists were contracted to produce concepts for the Triangle Road Cycleway Arts Integration brief. These included New Lynn-based carver Whare Thompson (Ngati Whatua, Nga Puhi), Titirangi-based artist Caroline Robinson and Hokianga-based sculptor Glen Hayward.</p> <p>On 1 December 2009 the artist's concepts were presented informally to a selection panel made up of Elected Members, Council officers and Massey community representatives. At this meeting Whare Thompson was unanimously judged to have presented the most compelling work. All three artist concepts are attached at pages A1 to A6.</p> <p>A report seeking approval of the chosen artist's concept will be presented to the Culture and Community Committee meeting to be held on 10 February 2010.</p>	<p>Kim Martinengo ☎ 836 8000 Ext: 8736</p>

COUNCIL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY		
Report Name	Committee	Attachment Pages
Integrated Catchment Management Plan - Project Twin Streams Catchment	Infrastructure and Works Committee	Report and attachments will be circulated under separate cover as a Supplement.
Starling Park Sports Club Incorporated – New Lease at Starling Park	Infrastructure and Works Committee	Report and attachments will be circulated under separate cover as a Supplement.
Tree Conservation Covenants	Policy and Strategy Committee	Report and attachments will be circulated under separate cover as a Supplement.

REPORTS PENDING			
Subject	Date Requested	Report Due	Reporting Officer
Installation of Pram Hoops in the Lanham Lane, Massey Walkway and Other Walkways in Massey	Resolution No. 1934/2009 2 December 2009	3 March 2009	Grant Jennings  836 8000 Ext: 8537

Report prepared by: Desiree Tukutama, Committee Secretary.



9 CABERNET CRESCENT, MASSEY – NEW NO STOPPING AT ALL TIMES PARKING RESTRICTION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek the Massey Community Board's approval for a new No Stopping At All Times parking restriction on Cabernet Crescent, Massey.

Council officers consulted with the affected business and have taken into consideration the best option for serving them and the community.

Two options have been identified: to install the No Stopping At All Times parking restriction or to have the area remain unrestricted.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Massey Community Board resolve to:

1. **Receive** the Cabernet Crescent, Massey – New No Stopping At All Times Parking Restriction report.
2. **Approve** that in relation to **CABERNET CRESCENT, MASSEY**:
 - (a) and in accordance with the powers conferred by virtue of the Local Government Act 1974, the Land Transport Act 1998, the Transport Act 1962 and the Waitakere City Council Bylaw No. 7, 1991 – Traffic, the following restriction now be resolved to be specified and imposed, namely,
 - (i) on the south-east kerb line of **CABERNET CRESCENT**, for a distance of approximately 58 metres outside property number 14 Cabernet Crescent, the new **NO STOPPING AT ALL TIMES** parking restriction be put in place.
3. **Agree** that the appropriate signage and/or road markings, in accordance with the provisions of the Land Transport Rule; Traffic Control Devices 2004 – Rule 54002, hereby be approved to be put in place to properly establish, delineate and record the said parking limitation and restriction.

BACKGROUND

1. A request to install a No Stopping At All Times parking restriction was received from a business operator of Cabernet Crescent. The business making the request has advised that since the opening of the WINZ office on Cabernet Crescent, parking has reached a premium on the street and vehicles are now parking on the bend and close to driveways.

DECISION MAKING

Issues

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2. The business operator is finding it difficult getting large delivery trucks on and off the site. This request is to restrict vehicles from parking on the bend in Cabernet Crescent which will improve sightlines and access to the business.
 3. The location of the new No Stopping At All Times parking restriction is indicated on the diagram attached at page A7.

Options Identified

4. Two options have been identified: to put in a No Stopping At All Times parking restriction or to have the area remain unrestricted.

Consideration of Community Views

5. Consultation was undertaken with the affected business during December 2009. No objections were received.

Preferred Option

6. The new No Stopping At All Times parking restriction is recommended to allow safe entry and egress for this business that has large articulated trucks making deliveries, and also for the customers visiting this business.
7. The preferred option is to put in the No Stopping At All Times parking restriction.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

8. Council's Transport Strategy provides the strategic context for this report. The vision is for public transport and communications systems that provide fast, effective services, and for city travel facilitated by integrated, environmentally responsible and innovative design, with a focus on meeting the essential needs for access, communication, and safety.
9. No Stopping At All Times parking restrictions can be applied to ensure efficient safe movement on roads by keeping traffic lanes and visibility lines clear.

CONSULTATION

10. Consultation with internal staff, external agencies and Maori, was not required for this report.

RESOURCES

11. The new No Stopping At All Times parking restriction can be implemented under the Annual Plan 2009/2010 minor improvements budget.

IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

12. There are no implementation issues arising from this report.

AUCKLAND COUNCIL TRANSITION ISSUES

13. The decision making proposed in this report is not constrained by section 31 of the Local Government (Tamaki Makaurau Reorganisation) Act 2009, as it does not directly or because of its consequences: significantly prejudice the reorganisation, significantly constrain the powers or capacity of the Auckland Council or any subsidiary of the Auckland Council following the reorganisation, or have a significant negative impact on the assets or liabilities that are transferred to the Auckland Council as a result of the reorganisation.

Report prepared by: Jane Harris, Transport Technician.



10 PEDESTRIAN FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AROUND WAITAKERE TRAIN STATIONS

GLOSSARY

Auckland Regional Transport Authority (ARTA)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to inform the Massey Community Board of a programme for improvements to the pedestrian facilities around Waitakere train stations. This report is going to the Infrastructure and Works Committee meeting on 3 February 2010 to seek approval for improvements to the pedestrian facilities around Waitakere train stations.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Massey Community Board resolve to:

Receive the Pedestrian Facility Improvements Around Waitakere Train Stations report.

BACKGROUND

- Urban rail services in the Auckland region have improved considerably from the early 1990s when a close down of the then skeletal urban passenger network was being considered. At that time, the western line rail services ran approximately hourly at peak times and two hourly at off peak times during the week days.
- Over the past 12 years, the western line rail patronage has increased by 400% and is projected to double between 2009 and 2016. The following table has a week day station by station breakdown of the patronage increase. The Auckland Regional Transport Authority (ARTA) notes that this information is only a snapshot of observations taken on a particular day at a particular time. There can be significant daily fluctuations in patronage due to factors such as weather, day of the week, time of year, and whether or not schools and tertiary institutions are in session.

Weekday Western Line patronage											
	1997			2003			2009			Change '97 - '09	
	Board	Alight	Total	Board	Alight	Total	Board	Alight	Total	No	%
Auckland	342	319	661	390	484	874	3,169	2,876	6,045	5,384	815%
Newmarket	408	390	798	535	503	1,038	964	919	1,883	1,085	136%
Boston Rd	150	90	240	311	298	609	421	493	914	674	281%
Mt Eden	94	105	199	153	186	339	277	331	608	409	206%
Kingsland	109	103	212	159	181	340	520	565	1,085	873	412%

Weekday Western Line patronage											
	1997			2003			2009			Change '97 - '09	
	Board	Alight	Total	Board	Alight	Total	Board	Alight	Total	No	%
Morningside	66	62	128	94	115	209	235	254	489	361	282%
Baldwin Av	123	97	220	160	134	294	375	364	739	519	236%
Mt Albert	364	328	692	392	382	774	722	726	1,448	756	109%
Avondale	122	127	249	236	242	478	519	534	1,053	804	323%
New Lynn	364	328	692	617	616	1,233	1,114	1,451	2,565	1,873	271%
Fruitvale Rd	82	97	179	162	127	289	419	389	808	629	351%
Glen Eden	205	224	429	410	362	772	791	752	1,543	1,114	260%
Sunnyvale	93	97	190	170	218	388	469	472	941	751	395%
Henderson	341	429	770	524	601	1,125	1,090	1,282	2,372	1,602	208%
Sturges Rd	98	134	232	315	265	580	584	560	1,144	912	393%
Ranui	188	92	280	363	307	670	518	471	989	709	253%
Swanson	83	79	162	186	143	329	213	248	461	299	185%
Waitakere	97	90	187	93	111	204	124	103	227	40	21%
Huapai							8	5	13		
Waimauku							1	1	2		
Helensville							3	7	10		
Total	3,329	3,191	6,520	5,270	5,275	10,545	12,536	12,803	25,339	18,794	289%

- In Waitakere, double tracking of the western rail line has been completed between Titirangi Road, New Lynn and Swanson Station. The New Lynn rail trench, and double tracking the remaining single track sections at Avondale and between Boston Road and Newmarket are due to be completed by mid 2010. This, along with signaling upgrades at Newmarket and Quay Park junctions will allow the introduction of 10 minute peak train services across the urban rail network. Subject to funding, ARTA is also planning on introducing six car trains into service on the western line during mid 2010.

DECISION MAKING

A8-A12

- This report will be presented to the Infrastructure and Works Committee meeting of 3 February 2010 seeking approval of projects to improve pedestrian facilities around train stations. Details of proposed improvements as shown on the drawings attached at pages A8 to A12.

Issues

- The Annual Plan 2009/2010 includes funding for localised improvements at railway stations in Waitakere, focused on improvements to pedestrian connectivity.

Fruitvale Road Station

- Though not an issue the Fruitvale Road Station street lighting upgrade has recently been completed along the roads that link the station on Fruitvale Road and Arawa Street. The Parks Department has recently completed a project in Mason Park, adjacent to the station, including footpath and lighting improvements and new public toilets, all of which deliver improved accessibility and service to rail customers.

Glen Eden Station

7. It is proposed to close the car park exit on Glenview Road due to the substandard sightlines for motorists. This is a significant safety issue and has no impact on the number of parking spaces. The exit to West Coast Road would remain. This closure would enable an improved pedestrian connection between the platform stairs and the footpath to the intersection of Glenview Road and West Coast Road. This would strongly encourage pedestrians to use the formal pedestrian route instead of walking across the level crossing on the road which is a safety issue for pedestrians, car drivers, and rail users. It is also proposed to narrow the car park exit on to West Coast Road which is currently 10 metres wide, to reduce the distance it takes pedestrians to cross this exit.

Sunnyvale Station

8. It is proposed to provide a pair of pram crossings on the corner of Serwayne Place / Manui Place. The footpath on the western side of Seymour Road has recently been extended to Solea Road, giving a formed pedestrian access to the west-bound rail bus stop.

Sturges Road Station

9. A MAXX station name plinth will be installed at the Swanson Road entrance to the station and park and ride. This will help with raising the profile of the park and ride to the Swanson Road catchment and will help with managing station access during the replacement of the Sturges Road overbridge.

Ranui Station

10. It is proposed to upgrade street lighting on Pooks Road and Ranui Station Road which will improve the perceptions of safety for rail customers in the evenings and early mornings, as well as strengthen the connection between the station and the town centre in the hours of darkness. A MAXX station name plinth will be improve the visibility of the station from Ranui Station Road in the direction heading to the town centre. In addition, there will be some tidy up work on Metcalfe Road near the level crossing and the installation of kerb and channel on the north side of Pooks Road. Previous works at this station included landscaping on the north side of Pooks Road by ARTA, trespass fencing installed by Kiwirail, and the installation of a footpath on the northern side of Pooks Road from the station entrance to Metcalfe Road funded by the Council. The Council is also working with Kiwirail to remove weeds, and landscaping work on the north side of Pooks Road between the park and ride and Ranui Avenue will be completed. It is likely that the landscaping work, that will also discourage trespassing, be completed in the next planting season.

Swanson Station

11. A MAXX station name plinth sign will be installed at the Swanson Road entrance to the park and ride, and an arts feature will be installed on the new pedestrian overbridge.

Waitakere Station

12. It is proposed to seal and mark the existing informal park and ride on Township Road and provide a formed pedestrian access between Township Road and the station platform.

Preferred Option

13. The preferred option is to adopt the proposed physical works around train stations and start construction in the 2009/2010 financial year.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

14. The major upgrade of rail in Waitakere continues to contribute to the achievement of the following strategic outcomes:
 - a. **Social Strategy:** build strong, resilient communities and develop community leadership, and develop Waitakere's community infrastructure and assets.
 - b. **Environment Strategy:** low carbon city encouraging planting of more trees and creating alternatives to fossil fuel use.
 - c. **Transport Strategy:** make significant improvements in passenger transport, walk and cycle ways and incorporate these elements, as appropriate, in road improvements. Encourage alternatives to single occupant vehicle use and implement a range of measures to manage the demand for travel, instead of building more roads or wider roads to meet predicted demand.
 - d. **Growth Management Strategy:** a dynamic network of vibrant town centres and neighbourhoods with a social, physical, and natural fabric providing housing choice and employment opportunities for all.
15. The Waitakere City Transport Strategy's vision for transport in Waitakere is "a sustainable multi-modal transport system that is integrated with land use and contributes to Waitakere as an eco city." The Council's strategic direction for transport is very strongly aligned with the upgrade of rail and improving access to railway stations and town centres.

CONSULTATION

16. The proposed position set out in this report follows on from previous Council resolutions which support a much improved rail system and strongly implements the Council's Transport Strategy. This report has involved consultation with Community Boards, Transport Strategy, Transport Assets, Urban Planning and Design, Parks and Open Space Assets, and Arts team staff.

RESOURCES

17. The funding for the rail station precinct upgrades of \$723,558 has been approved in the Annual Plan 2009/2010.

IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

18. It is proposed to carry out wayfinding and signage improvements at Fruitvale Road, Glen Eden, Sunnyvale, Sturges Road, Ranui, and Swanson stations. The signs are funded by the Council but installed by ARTA.
19. It is also proposed to install MAXX station name plinth signs at Sturges Road, Ranui, Swanson stations. The plinths are funded by the Council but installed by ARTA. The proposed specific works are listed below.

AUCKLAND COUNCIL TRANSITION ISSUES

20. The decision making proposed in this report is not constrained by section 31 of the Local Government (Tamaki Makaurau Reorganisation) Act 2009, as it does not directly or because of its consequences: significantly prejudice the reorganisation, significantly constrain the powers or capacity of the Auckland Council or any subsidiary of the Auckland Council following the reorganisation, or have a significant negative impact on the assets or liabilities that are transferred to the Auckland Council as a result of the reorganisation.

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11 BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Provision has been made on this agenda for Board Members should they so wish to submit a report on their activities during the month in regard to matters within the scope and delegations of the Board. However, to comply with the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, no decision may be made on matters raised in Board Members' reports.

MASSEY COMMUNITY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS	APPOINTMENT
Auckland Region and Far North Community Board Association Executive Committee	John Riddell
City Safety Action Group	John Carrodus
Keep Waitakere Beautiful Trust	John Riddell Judith Fletcher (alternate)
Massey Community House Committee	Judith Fletcher
Massey Matters Working Group	Judith Fletcher
Massey West Cluster School Travel Plan	John Carrodus Judith Fletcher John Riddell (Alternate)
Ranui Community Centre Committee	Judith Fletcher
Ranui Town Centre Development	John Riddell
Sturges Bridge Community Liaison Group Committee	John Riddell Judith Fletcher
Community Facilities Liaison Group - Hobsonville Land Company	John Carrodus Brian Neeson (alternate)
COUNCIL COMMITTEES	
Creative Communities Scheme Allocation Subcommittee	Judith Fletcher John Carrodus (alternate)
Long Term Council Community Plan and Annual Plan Special Committee	John Riddell Allen Davies
Street Events Subcommittee - Massey Ward	Allen Davies
NorSGA Forum	John Riddell Allen Davies

