

# PROPOSED BUS SHELTERS OUTSIDE 64 AND 66 MAIN NORTH ROAD OPPOSITE NORTHLANDS MALL

## HEARINGS PANEL AGENDA

FRIDAY 24 MAY 2013

AT 1.30PM

IN THE BOARDROOM, PAPANUI SERVICE CENTRE, 35 LANGDONS ROAD

**PANEL:** Councillor Sue Wells (Chair) and Community Board Members David Cartwright and David East

**Principal Adviser**  
Paul Burden  
941 8938

**Committee Adviser**  
Janet Anderson  
941 8112

1. **STAFF BRIEFING:** Christine Toner and Steffan Thomas

2. **HEARING OF OBJECTIONS**

Written objections are **attached**.

4. **CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS**

It is recommended that the Hearings Panel receive all written objections.

5. **CONSIDERATION OF STAFF COMMENTS**

6. **DELIBERATIONS**

62 Main North Road  
Papanui  
Christchurch  
8052

26/4/2013

Christchurch City Council  
HEARINGS PANEL  
Re: Bus Shelter outside 64 Main North Road.  
Papanui  
Christchurch 8052

To Whom It May Concern,

Christchurch City Council HEARINGS PANEL re Bus Shelter outside 64 Main North Road Please tick, circle or **highlight** one of the following

**YES we wish to be heard by the Hearings Panel**

No I do not wish to be heard by the Hearings Panel

Name: Des Gibbard and Marie Gibbard

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Phone 352 4066 or 021-0281-4994

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Attention:  
Christine Toner  
Consultation Leader  
Capital Programme Group  
Christchurch City Council  
Ph 03 9418533 0274339598

Comments:

As ratepayers in Main North Road, we feel very aggrieved that the CHCH City Council appear to have made the decision to install a super bus stop shelter in front of 62 & 64 Main Nth Road without previous and timely consultation with us. The negatives as we see it are: Obscured vision as we exit and enter our driveway.

When exiting my drive with a shelter to my right I will have no vision at all, and will have to extend right out in front of a stationary bus. When entering my drive coming from behind the stationary bus I have to indicate a left turn into my drive and (a) hope the driver remains stationary and does not attempt to pull out in front of me, as well as not being able to see pedestrians until I am in front of the bus in a turning position. (Holding up traffic when there are people walking across the driveway)

When coming home along the mall side I am required to complete a Right hand turn across Main North Road traffic including buses, which make it extremely difficult and again frustration occurs with drivers that consider they are being held up on the road.

The road is too narrow and way too busy, it will be an accident waiting to happen.

The traffic has increased 2 or 3 fold since the earthquakes and is only getting worse.

It will be an eyesore. Do not even think it will enhance the area as it wont.. Would you want to have a shelter where our lovely youth of today will drink have sex leave all the condoms round along with broken bottles and windows. Just to cap it off have you smelt the smell of stale urine, it stinks along with vomit. Who will clean it all up.

Don't say it won't happen we see it with the shelter down and across the road frequently, It will do nothing to enhance the area.

Why does it have to be a super stop shelter and not the standard. bus stop. Why would you even consider putting the largest shelter at the furthest point and not in the middle of the 3 shelters, it makes no sense.

Last but not least, just watch the valuation of our properties decrease with this shambles around this area. It is a dam shame for us common people who have our property as our life time investment. There are a lot us out here, but you don't give a dam, because if you did you would have handled it very differently. I can assure you we are not finished yet, and we won't give in this easy.

Signature of property owner/resident **Des and Marie Gibbard.. Very dissatisfied**  
**ChCh City Council Rate Payers** .....Date 16/4/2013.....

27/4/2013.

Today we have been in and out of our house on 4 different occasions, this should not be a safety hazard for the 6 involved householders, as well as the business next door but it is.

We have received the fingers twice today, because we had to move out pass the parked bus into the path of oncoming traffic, which we could not see. We cannot see past a parked bus, let alone thru and to the right of the end of the proposed bus shelter. Again I say this is an accident waiting to happen.

**(Visualise please: Main North Road opposite Northlands Mall 1 bus lane and 1 thru traffic – Parked Bus to the right of exiting driveway, crawling out currently viewing past the end of the bus, continuous traffic. Waited, continued viewing past the back end of the bus, the road could be clear? We looked at the bus driver for acknowledgment but no response at all. Continuing to crawl out we are now out a quarter of our car length onto this 1 lane road, to gain vision and view past the parked bus, on the bus lane.**

**This required sudden and urgent breaking on behalf of vehicles, us and the oncoming vehicle)**

**Can you imagine what it will be like with a Bus Shelter which will extend the full width of the property at 64 Main North Road, and block vision for every car that comes in and out of all of our personal properties?**

Just to top it off we are now getting Graffiti on our fence and post. This is another example of some of our troubled youth around. This happened on Friday night. Now we have to try and get it off. What will they do with the bus shelter in position more broken windows, glass as happens across and down the road.

Just to move to the other side of Main North Road, again a bus lane and 1 single lane. We have a contributing factor to the congestion of the traffic, with people exiting from the South End exit of the Northlands Mall onto the Main North Road. There would be an average of 15 % of drivers who continue on to completing a U Turn up our drives to go back towards Papanui or Harewood Roads.

This whole system needs to be revamped, with no U turns, or even reducing Car parking in the Mall and widening the Road.

There is a Car park that was damaged in the Earthquake, why is that not able to be repaired and used again instead of sitting idle. This would cover the loss of 1 lane of Car Parks in the bay nearest and opposite the bus stops.

Signature of property owner/resident **Des and Marie Gibbard.. Very dissatisfied**

**ChCh City Council Rate Payers** .....Date 27/4/2013

**From:** Alistair [a.ritchie@actrix.co.nz]

**Sent:** Saturday, 27 April 2013 1:23 p.m.

**To:** Toner, Christine

**Subject:** Northlands Mall Superstops

Shelters

I strongly object to the proposed additional Shelters as shown on your plans in front of 64 Main North Road[E&F].

The present Shelters have problems---Provide overnight accom. for vagrants/teenagers-particularly evident on early Sat./Sun.Mornings.

Shelters presently attract graffiti/broken glass coverings[over adverts.]and usually become littered with bottles wrappings etc.

Shelters impede pedestrian useage of Public footpath.

Since the Liquor Ban around Northlands vandalism etc has decreased, but not disappeared e.g. most mornings I find evidence of entry to my shared driveway overnight--the Shelters may encourage this worsening.

The proposed Shelters will offer very limited protection from wind/rain--and with The city,s annual low rainfall statistics are of doubtful econic value.

Shelters require constant maintenance meaning more Ratepayer costs and their proposed erection/presence may affect nearby property values

Because of the above cogent reasons I submit that Superstop Shelters E&F, as shown on your 15/4/2013 proposed layout be NOT installed.

Alistair Ritchie, 60a Main North Road, Papanui.

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YES I wish to be heard by the Hearings Panel

No I do not wish to be heard by the Hearings Panel

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Christine Toner  
Consultation Leader  
Capital Programme Group  
Christchurch City Council  
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Dear Christine,

28<sup>th</sup> April, 2013

Please note that we do not agree the Proposed Layout  
"MAIN NORTH ROAD/NORTHLANDS MALL SUPERSTOPS"  
as shown on Original Plan Size = A3 ISSUE 1 15/04/2013  
TG 124301 - New Bus Stop & New Super Shelter.  
We would like to speak to the Hearing Panel.  
f. Law

Mrs Lona Nation  
60<sup>B</sup> Main Nth Rd  
Paparaui 8052 Blk 68  
26-4-2013

To Christeria Lona

or, to whom it may concern

I dear madam  
of, along  
with my neighbours, wish to object to  
the bus stop and proposed bus shelter  
outside 62 - 2/66 Main North Rd.

Clear vision, coming from our  
properties is almost non-existent.

If a bus is stopped and  
waiting this blocks traffic, and  
if coming north, we are so  
restricted entering our properties.

Because traffic doing a U-turn  
at the end of the island is, or  
seem unaware of the sharp <sup>turn</sup> ~~turn~~  
they have nowhere to go but  
up our driveways.

If we wish to enter, we have to  
remain in the centre of the road  
on the white lines awaiting the  
bus to move. Once it does so,  
traffic moves quickly and not  
until the Halfway of traffic lights  
turn, are the cars up our driveways  
able to reverse out and hopefully  
allow us to enter.

When awaiting on those white lines  
you hold your breath, especially,  
when another <sup>car</sup> stops alongside, when  
the U turn is not possible.

In my view it is common sense  
to have the said bus stop at the  
traffic lights at Halliwell Ave. This would  
mean better safety for alighting



passengers to use the legal pedestrian crossing.

I would wish you to consider a NO U-turn at the end of the island and do away with the Northlands Mall exit into Main North Rd. There are all the other exits which could be used safely.

When the traffic lights are red at Langdon Rd then the traffic exits from the Mall making it well nigh impossible for us to turn right.

The proposed scheme has not been discussed with any of us, or any consultation taken place. We only learned of this April 15<sup>th</sup> and work had already started.

I foresee a dreadful bottleneck of traffic which is already ~~to~~ an accident waiting to happen.

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- 1) No to bus stop and shelters
- 2) No U turn at end of the island
- 3) Close the Northlands Mall exit into Main North Rd.

H) Shift bus stop to Halliwell Ave - Main Nth Rd Corner. North of said corner would be more applicable for safety reasons as all lights and crossings are already in place.

Please take heed of those who live here. Thanking you for your kind attention,

Yours Faithfully  
Mrs Lana Nation  
President

Already, it is noticed the depositing of food cartons, bottles etc - anything - your name it, - on our letter boxes and nearby areas.

Let us who planned to live out our lives here, and ~~buy~~ <sup>bought</sup> homes to be near amenities in our latter years, I feel strongly this mess degrades our properties, and that is sad for us who have had hopes and plans in our retirement.

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