



RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991 CHRISTCHURCH CITY PLAN

NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR AN ALTERATION TO A DESIGNATION RUSSLEY ROAD UPGRADE TO FOUR LANES AND ASSOCIATED INTERSECTION AND ROADING CHANGES WITHIN AN ALTERED ROAD DESIGNATION - FROM JUST NORTH OF HAREWOOD ROAD TO AVONHEAD PARK

The Christchurch City Council has received a notice of requirement for an alteration to a designation from the NZ Transport Agency. (Environment Canterbury has also received land use consent and discharge consent applications for the same project. These applications are being notified concurrently).

The requirement is for additional identified land to be added to an existing "road" designation and for the altered designation to be instead designated as "state highway". The alteration will enable the Transport Agency to upgrade a section of Russley Road (State Highway 1) from just north of the Harewood Road roundabout to the portion of road adjoining Avonhead Park, from two lanes to a four lane median-separated carriageway, with altered connections to the local road network. This stretch of Russley Road has been identified as a Road of National Significance.

The upgrade will include a four lane expressway, medians, barriers and lighting, all associated intersection upgrades, cycle and pedestrian facilities, stormwater controls, landscaping and ancillary highway infrastructure, all of which is more fully described in the notice of requirement document. The main physical changes include:

- Four laning of the whole route with median separation, including wire rope barriers along the edge of the road and within the median
- Alterations to the roundabout at Harewood Road by overall enlargement and conversion to two lanes all the way around
- Installation of a pedestrian/cycle underpass beneath the Harewood Road roundabout (from Whitchurch Street to the south eastern side of the roundabout)
- Closure of Wairakei Road west (airport side of Russley Road)
- Removal of Wairakei Road/Russley Road roundabout
- Construction of new service road parallel to Russley Road to provide access to and from Wairakei Road (city side of Russley Road) via "left in" and "left out" slip lanes
- Replacement of the current Memorial Avenue roundabout with a new gateway to Christchurch City. The integrated gateway design will incorporate an intersecting double arch structure, landscaping and lighting within an intersection providing for multiple transport modes. In summary the intersection will have the following elements:
 - A grade separated interchange with SH1 Russley Road elevated to pass over Memorial Avenue by an embankment and bridge structure. This will allow uninterrupted traffic flow on the State Highway (similar broad concept to how Brougham Street (SH76) passes over Barrington Street in the Addington area);
 - Memorial Avenue to remain at ground level and to be controlled by traffic signals including signalised pedestrian crossings and dedicated cycle lanes;
 - Two intersecting steel arches up to 26 metres in height with ends beginning and ending on the bridge embankments
- Closure of Avonhead Road to motor vehicles on both sides of Russley Road
- Construction of a replacement "Southern Airport Access", including cycle lane, via an underpass constructed under Russley Road (which will remain at current ground level) in the vicinity of Dakota Park business park connecting to George Bellew Road (airport road)

The site to which the requirement applies is as follows:

Russley Road (State Highway 1) from immediately north of the Harewood Road roundabout to the portion of road adjoining Avonhead Park; and including some alterations to intersecting roads in the vicinity of Russley Road. The notice of requirement incorporates existing road; and land in private ownership included in 52 different land parcels adjoining the existing road designation and identified in the notice of requirement. It includes the Orchard Road/Harewood Road intersection and six intersections and / or their approaches on this part of Russley Road, as follows:

- Russley Road / Harewood Road intersection;
- Russley Road / Wairakei Road intersection;
- Russley Road / Memorial Avenue intersection;
- Russley Road / Avonhead Road intersection;
- Russley Road / Syd Bradley Road (airport road) intersection; and
- Russley Road / George Bellew Road (airport road) intersection.

A map showing the extent of the project area is attached.

A range of owners and occupiers along the route, and each of the 13 owners of the land to be taken which is not owned by the Transport Agency, have been served a copy of this notice in writing as part of the public notification of this notice of requirement to alter this designation. Refer to the revised plans submitted 4 November showing proposed intersection detail and proposed designation boundaries. Refer to the notice of requirement document (revised and submitted 4 November) for a list of the land parcels affected, and the area of each property required to be included in the "state highway" designation.

A copy of the full notice of requirement including plans is available to be viewed at the Council's Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street, Christchurch, or an electronic copy can be viewed at any of the Council's Service Centre offices, and on the Council website; <http://www.ccc.govt.nz/CCC.Web.ProjectInfo/cityleisure/projectstoimprovechristchurch/projectinformation/projectsearch/index.aspx?projectid=4607>

Any person may make a submission on this notice of requirement by lodging a written submission with Christchurch City Council, but a person who is a trade competitor of the requiring authority may do so only if that person is directly affected by an effect of the activity to which the requirement relates that:

- (a) adversely affects the environment; and
- (b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition

Submissions must be in writing and be in the prescribed format (Form 21) in the Resource Management (Forms) Regulations 2003 or similar.

Forms are available at the reception on the ground floor of the Civic Offices or from any of the Council's Service Centres. A submission form (form 21) can also be downloaded direct from the Council website <http://resources.ccc.govt.nz/files/SubmissionForm21Designation-cityplan.pdf>

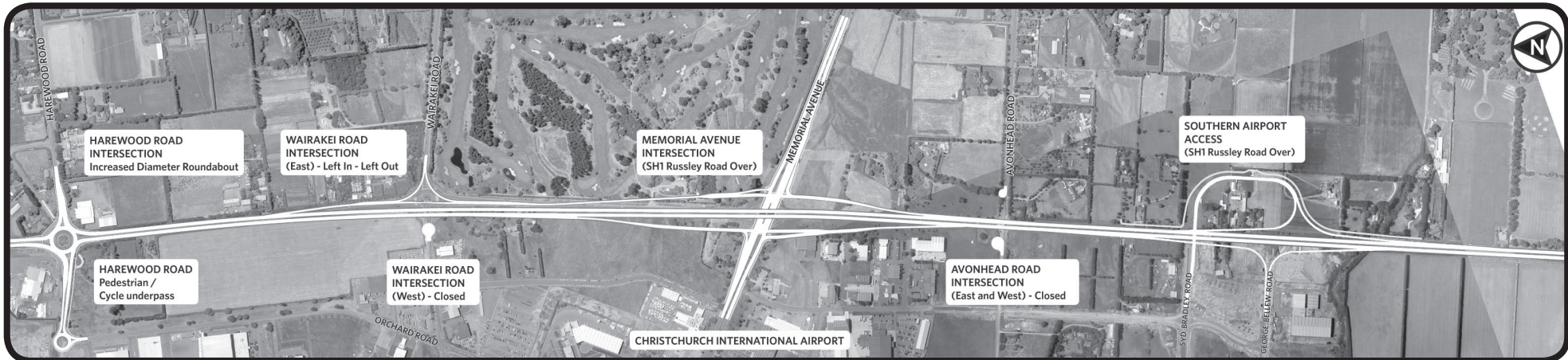
Once all submissions have been received, a Council hearing will be arranged to consider these submissions. Anyone who has made a submission will have the right to attend the hearing and present his or her submission. The outcome of this hearing is that the Independent Commissioner or hearings panel hearing the application will make a recommendation on behalf of the Christchurch City Council to the designating authority. The requiring authority then decides whether to accept this recommendation in whole or part or to reject it. An alternative process could be that the hearing proceeds straight to the Environment Court for determination.

The closing date for submissions is Wednesday 18th December 2013, at **Civic Offices and any other Council Office before 5pm.**

You must serve a copy of your submission on the NZ Transport Agency whose address for service is c/- URS New Zealand Limited, P O Box 4479, Christchurch 8140, Attn: Tim Ensor, as soon as reasonably practicable after serving your submission on Christchurch City Council.

For any enquiries about this notice please contact Council Planner, Melinda Smith on telephone number 941-8999 or email her at Melinda.Smith@ccc.govt.nz

Dated at Christchurch this 20th day of November 2013.



HAREWOOD ROAD

**HAREWOOD ROAD
INTERSECTION**
Increased Diameter Roundabout

**WAIRAKEI ROAD
INTERSECTION**
(East) - Left In - Left Out

WAIRAKEI ROAD

**MEMORIAL AVENUE
INTERSECTION**
(SH1 Russley Road Over)

MEMORIAL AVENUE

AVONHEAD ROAD

**SOUTHERN AIRPORT
ACCESS**
(SH1 Russley Road Over)

HAREWOOD ROAD
Pedestrian /
Cycle underpass

**WAIRAKEI ROAD
INTERSECTION**
(West) - Closed

ORCHARD ROAD

**AVONHEAD ROAD
INTERSECTION**
(East and West) - Closed

CHRISTCHURCH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

SYD BRADLEY ROAD

GEORGE BELLEW ROAD