

# REPORT

**TO:** Motueka Community Board Members

**FROM:** David Ogilvie, Chair

**DATE:** 6 October 2008

**SUBJECT:** **Transportation – Minor Safety Projects**

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Each year Council provides approximately \$1 million for “Minor Safety Projects” – defined loosely as small-scale roading work that reduces the risk of accidents (and hence of injury/death). There is no specific criteria and the roading engineers rely on their own experience, knowledge, intuition as well as suggestions from members of the public.

The following is a list of possible minor projects for referral to the Engineering Services Department and particularly to Steve Elkington, for their consideration, as they relate to Motueka:

- a) Cycleway markings along High Street, especially to create a shared footpath/cycleway between Woodlands Avenue intersection and Old Wharf Road intersection with High Street. This is a very wide existing footpath (eastern side) and a 1.5 metre marked strip for cyclists would be practical. It would allow cyclists to travel off High Street where it is at its most narrow.
- b) Extra street lighting along High Street South and Wildman Road (to Richards Reserve). At least two extra lights are required – requested by the residents in the Community Board’s survey.
- c) Improve the kerb crossings for mobile scooters along Pah Street, Poole Street, Greenwood Street and Tudor Street. Some of these crossing points are difficult to manoeuvre for mobile scooters – the angle of approach, as well as the width – need to be smoothed. (The four streets mentioned are probably the busiest other than High Street itself, and they all “feed” into High Street.
- d) Provide some vehicle “lay-bys” along the Kaiteriteri-Riwaka Road. These would allow buses, motor homes and slow-moving traffic to overtake. Traffic flow would be improved and would be a minor stage in the upgrade of this road.
- e) Pedestrian tactile indicator strips. These appear to be successful in Richmond and Nelson City. Their installation in Motueka would be a safety project.
- f) Improved “pathway” lighting would help concerns on security. For example:
  - a. Between Poole Street and Pah Street on the perimeter of Memorial Park and alongside the Motueka Library;
  - b. Between Wilkinson Street and McCarthy Crescent;
  - c. Between Greenwood Street and Goodman Drive;
  - d. Between Monahan Street and Woodlands Avenue.
- g) Woodman’s Corner widening. Large trucks have to cross the centre line to negotiate this corner. (Refer to Submission 52 by Talleys Fisheries to the Annual Plan).

- h) Add the corner snipe of land (south-western triangular corner of Parkes Automotive) to Deck's Reserve Car Park. This would improve access to the car park by buses and wide vehicles from the Greenwood Street entry.
- i) Liaise with Opus/NZ Transport Agency to investigate and fund a feasibility study into improving the Old Wharf Road, King Edward Street intersection with High Street. A roundabout (similar to Salisbury Road/Queen Street) appears a likely solution, but there may be more preferable alternatives. For vehicles turning into High Street, or continuing east to west, this corner is difficult.

**Suggested Recommendation:**

That the list be referred to the Engineering Services Department for consideration as "Minor Safety Projects" for the 2008 – 2009 programme.

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Chair  
Motueka Community Board