

Submissions received on bus stop upgrades in Waitai, February - March 2025

Would like to speak to the Community Board

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31445 Linwood	11172	No	If you move the bus stop 10 meters further north (away from our house) it would make things better for us. There are already yellow lines towards the corner. Your proposal would cut off our driveway and half the parking outside our house. I have limited mobility and would find it difficult walking further to open our gate. We also won't be able to get in and out of our driveway because of the restrictions on us. CCC already owns the church hall so there should be no problem with that. Church parking is around the corner.	Raewyn And Edgar Wahng
10003 Burwood	18741	No	Formal objection and wants to talk at CB Concerns Shelter close to fence People damaging the fence - rock coat soft plaster. It only takes someone to punch it with a pen or a knife and it needs to be constantly maintained. Concerned about damage and how we will get to it for maintenance. The shelter will be right up against the fence. Teenagers don't sit in bus shelters when there's little old ladies sitting there. Parking restrictions	Fiona Van Der Kroon
31446 Coastal	20759	Somewhat	Yes, I m concerned mainly about my privacy .My property is fully fenced however in case new bus stop installed , people are able to look into my open garden area . I cannot afford to make my fence taller . The shelter is planned exactly the area where my recreation space is in my garden .	Beatrice Radicsne Bakonyi
10008 Coastal	20759	Somewhat	Thank you for communicating with us regarding the proposed bus stop change #20759 that affects our property. We are appreciative of the intended improvements to the bus stop. Our concerns are that the change of location affects five dwellings, and multiple residents and patients and staff at the medical center. As residents exit their drive-ways, the relocation of the bus stop when a bus is present, will occlude the vision of oncoming traffic, passing the stationary buses travelling south along Bower avenue, presenting collision possibilities, for those exiting turning right or left. Relocation will also delay exiting drive-ways, particularly at peak times, and school hours, as motorists await a clear view of oncoming traffic. The current bus stop location does not impede the vision of the residents or those exiting the dwelling on the south side of 214 Bower Ave. The positioning of the new Bus stop shelter also presents a noise concern for 214A in its close proximity to the living and outdoor space. The proposed changes also decreases the parking spaces for visitors and residences of 214 Bower Avenue. Disappointedly should the bus stop and shelter be relocated, will off street non restricted parking be available where the current bus stop area is? We trust that our concerns are taken into account and responded to.	Keith & Elizabeth Mills
31498 Coastal	26557	No	While I appreciate changes to this bus stop might need to be made, I do not support the proposed change to move the bus stop and shelter to outside my property [REDACTED] for several reasons. 1) our home [REDACTED] only has a front yard, and that is our only outdoor space, so by moving bus stop to that location, it would significantly impact our sense of privacy in our yard and our ability to enjoy our limited outdoor space. 2) Our dog loves being outside in the yard, but can tend to bark if people hang around our fence line a bit too long. This isn't an issue currently because people usually just walk straight past to get to where they need to go, but if a bus stop was moved to outside our property, she could become very distressed at people hanging around. This could also be distressing to bus passengers themselves if they're not dog people, and to neighbours. 3) When the bus parks up to let people on and off, passengers will get a direct view into our living room and kitchen (because our home is set quite high off the ground) which will feel incredibly invasive. We have a tall fence which prevents people looking in to our home while walking past, but the added elevation of being on the bus will make it easy to see in and make us feel deeply uncomfortable in our own home.	Arna Morton

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			4) Because the bus stop changes also propose marking off significant amounts of the on street parking outside our home, we will no longer be able to park our car within a reasonable distance of our home. We do have a single garage with our house, but because of the tight orientation of our driveway, we are unable to get our long station wagon in with ease (I need a car of this size for work), so we prefer to park on the street directly outside our home. If the proposed changes were to go ahead, this would greatly impact our quality of life, especially when we have a child and need to be transporting gear to and from the car that has to be parked several houses away or across the road which is unsafe. I really appreciate you taking the time to read my feedback. Because this form doesn't allow for large file sizes, I have emailed a video to Celeste Donovan and Alex Hewison explaining in more detail my feelings annd showing visuals of the issues, and also includes and explanation of what I think is a better solution (briefly outlined on the screenshot below, but I highly recommend watching my video please). Best wishes, Arna *See attachment	
31437 Coastal	26557	No	I certainly do. The proposed bus stop relocation is not acceptable to us at all. We have lived in our present home [REDACTED] directly behind [REDACTED] Estuary Road for 44years. The residents of both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] take great pride in taking care of our properties. Over the last 44 years we have seen what happens at the Bus stop at 105 Estuary Road , and none of its pretty. Vandalism , drunkards, fights, urination, littering . This can only have a negative effect on the value of our properties . The value WILL go down. Will there be any compensation given for the loss? Our properties have a shared driveway. Often the residents of [REDACTED] park their vehicle outside , on the street, so that we don't constantly have to ask them to move their vehicle to enable us to leave. WE always try to reverse into our driveway , so that we can leave facing the street (required by law). This is already difficult given the amount of traffic on Estuary Road .Access to our driveway has already been hugely affected by the Cafe at the corner. We're very glad that the Cafe has done well. Its a brilliant addition to the community ,but, parking is already at a premium for residents, let's not make it even harder. There is absolutely no way we will give approval for this relocation.	Martyn & Bronwyn Park

Businesses / Organisations

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10004 All wards	General	Yes	We are submitting on our agreeance to upgrades on all bus stops/shelters as proposed. These upgrades are essential for the continued improvement in patronage throughout Christchurch	John Skevington Canterbury/West Coast Automobile Association District Council

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Individuals

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31665 Coastal	20759	No	This area is very congested and to move the bus stop back one section does not make any safety sense. The school children crossing here will now be coming off the bus onto a shared driveway of 4 units and another house. The ideal spot would be to shift it north just before Saltaire St at about 230 Bower Ave and hopefully most of the children would use the back ent to the school instead of loitering to the dairy and busy intersection. This intersection already has limited parking with the surrounding shops and high traffic using the dairy. Many motorists do u turns and most days here you will see traffic near misses. If you feel that you need to move the bus stop outside 214 Bower Ave please ensure you concrete the full area as none of us will be going out to mow the kerbside where there is always lots of rubbish left and which could cause ourselves or others harm with an operating lawnmower.	Lani Brass
10001 Coastal	26189	No	I would like to formally address and express my concerns regarding the proposed relocation of the bus stop from its current position in front of 53 Beatty Street to the front of 191 Estuary Road. I respectfully wish to reject this change based on several points I would like to highlight. Firstly, placing the bus stop in front of 191 Estuary Road would obstruct access to the main entrance of our property, significantly restricting parking availability for both our household and elderly visitors. The current location of the bus stop, in front of 53 Betty Street, does not impede any property entrances, which raises the question of why the proposed change is necessary. Additionally, relocating the bus stop to 191 Estuary Road would result in a loss of parking spaces that are crucial for school drop-offs and pick-ups. This change would force children to cross Betty Street, which lacks a pedestrian crossing, during peak times when traffic is particularly busy. This situation could potentially increase safety risks. Therefore, I believe it would be more prudent to maintain the bus stop in its current location in front of 53 Betty Street, where it does not create such issues. Lastly, moving the bus stop to 191 Estuary Road would make it more difficult for drivers exiting Betty Street to turn right onto Estuary Road, as they would lose their sight of oncoming cars due a bus that is stopped in front of 191 Estuary Road. Keeping the bus stop in its current position would eliminate this problem. I sincerely hope you will reconsider this proposal and maintain the bus stop in its current location. Thank you for your attention to this matter.	Scott Mcdonald
10005 Coastal	26221	No	Thank you for the opportunity to offer feedback on the proposed construction of bus shelter number 26221, on the corner of Estuary Road and Halsey Street, South New Brighton. On behalf of my [REDACTED] mother, Audrey Smith, a resident of [REDACTED] Estuary Road for the past 73 years, I wish to strongly object to placement of the proposed bus shelter #26221. While applauding efforts to encourage greater bus use, it will be to the detriment of this long-standing rate payer. Restricted to indoor living, my mother derives pleasure of views out to Estuary Road while seated at her dining room table. A view the proposed bus shelter will totally obscure (photo attached). Also erecting a shelter will further encourage loitering and hooliganism causing anxiety and concern for my elderly mother, especially at night. A section of boundary hedge has been set alight in the past by waiting bus patrons and urination around the existing bus stop and residential gateways is not uncommon. There are alternatives to this proposal: 1. Do not build a shelter. There has not been one there for last 60 years! 2. Move the bus stop 60m south along Estuary Road to where it would not impinge on any residential dwellings. I urge you to reconsider construction and placement of this shelter. Yours sincerely Lindsay Smith on behalf of Audrey Smith	Lindsay Smith

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31439 Coastal	26557	No	In the information you have sent us re: relocation of bus stop, I see no specific reference to exactly what the reasoning is for this bus stop to be relocated. There doesn't seem to be any genuine rationale for this , except that someone who's probably never even been here thinks it's " A jolly smashing idea. " Whoever he is he's wrong. However I can give you several VERY specific reasons as to why it should stay exactly where it is. First of all I know exactly how many people behave at bus stops. This one included. I DO NOT want this to be even closer to my property , thank you. Bus stops often seem to be a place for people to gather who have nowhere else to go when they are ; drunk, drugged up to the back teeth, looking for a fight or have a desperate need to vandalise, litter or urinate. Trust me, I know this from personal experience. Obviously it's not like that all the time. However, when it DOES happen, I would rather it does so exactly where it is and not out the front of my home. This will also affect the value of my property. I have lived here for 44 years and do not see the need to uproot my entire life because someone else thinks it's a great idea to put a Bus Stop outside my home. Who will compensate myself and the owners [REDACTED] for the loss of property value? As you have obviously figured out by now, I AM VERY GREATLY OPPOSED TO RELOCATION OF THE BUS STOP ON ESTUARY ROAD. Is there any reason the bus stop cannot remain exactly where it is? By all means make the other modifications if you wish , but leave the flippin' Bus Stop where it is. I have no problem with the updating of the bus stop road markings, extending the yellow no-stopping lines and installing tactile pavers etc. What I don't agree with , is the relocation of the bus stop. Why not leave it where it is? Your letter states that you're making it more safe to take the bus. What exactly does that mean? I have lived here for 44 years and I've never heard of anyone being injured in the process of boarding or alighting from the bus, or by passing traffic, so that seems a bit redundant. Are you now telling me that the whole time our 3 children were using that bus stop , they were actually in danger and NO-ONE told us ??? Thanks alot . It seems a good time to let you know that , the new speed bumps which have been recently added , have the opposite effect to what they were intended. Drivers now slow down for the bumps and then floor-it as they exit the roundabout increasing speed quite dramatically around the exact place you intend to have a bus stop . This will not increase safety. Traffic definitely moves more slowly where the bus stop now is and seems the most logical option. If you doubt my word, send someone down here between 5 & 6 pm any week night and you'll see what I mean. Road law states that vehicles exiting their driveways should do so facing forward (i.e. not reversing) which we try to do all the time. This is already made difficult with the volume of traffic on Estuary Road and will become almost impossible if we also have a bus stop outside, further blocking our vision, along with more foot traffic crossing the road. Make it pretty and more user friendly by all means , but just leave the bus stop right where it is.	Bronwyn Park
10002 Coastal	26557	Yes	I live at [REDACTED] and fully support the new location of the proposed bus shelter and its no parking areas outside 111 and 113 Estuary rd.. We have constant issues with cars parking right on or over our driveway trying to squeeze spaces that are too small making leaving the address dangerous and difficult at times. We are often unable to back our large trailer into the driveway due to vehicles parked too close to our driveway. The no parking areas will fix this issue. The new location will also fix the dangerous location of the current bus stop, this is currently located too close to the roundabout meaning if a bus is parked at the current stop the gap between the island and bus is too tight for cars pass or at least need to squeeze through very slowly risking being rear ended by cars coming around the corner.	David Reesby
31551 Linwood	26906	No	The loss of Car parking outside our property will be an issue for us. It doesn't make sense to move the existing bus stop further away from the Council Flats. It would make more sense to move it 2 properties towards Brighton (closer to the Flats) where there are more people living with Physical Disabilities & are reliant on Public Transport.	Graeme Everett