

Notice of Meeting:

I hereby give notice that an extraordinary Meeting of the Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel will be held on:

Date: Tuesday 22 November 2022
Time: 9.30am
Meeting Room: Council Chamber and Audio-visual Link
Venue: Municipal Building, Garden Place, Hamilton

Lance Vervoort
Chief Executive

Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel

Ko Ngaa Taki Huarahi

OPEN AGENDA

Membership

Chairperson Cr Mark Donovan
Heamana

Members Deputy Mayor A O'Leary
Cr M van Oosten
Cr E Wilson
Cr L Hutt
Cr A Casey-Cox
Cr G Taylor

Quorum: Three members

Meeting Frequency: As required

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Purpose

1. To conduct fair and effective hearings and make determinations on objections relating to the Traffic Bylaw, Speed Limit Bylaw, and proposals for temporary closure of any road.

The Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel is delegated the following Terms of Reference and powers:

Terms of Reference:

2. To consider and determine traffic and speed limit related matters, including those detailed in the Traffic Bylaw and Speed Management Plan, including hearing any submissions relating to those proposed changes.
3. To hear and determine statutory or regulatory hearings and make determinations on objections relating to proposals for the temporary closure of any road.

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1 Apologies - *Tono aroha*

2 Confirmation of Agenda - *Whakatau raarangi take*

The Committee to confirm the agenda.

3 Declaration of Interest - *Tauaakii whaipaaanga*

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as an elected representative and any private or other external interest they might have.

Council Report

Committee: Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel **Date:** 22 November 2022

Author: Robyn Denton **Authoriser:** Eeva-Liisa Wright

Position: Network Operations and Use Leader **Position:** General Manager Infrastructure Operations

Report Name: Parking Restrictions and Traffic Bylaw Changes

Report Status	<i>Open</i>
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Purpose - Take

1. To seek approval from the Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel for the proposed changes to traffic controls throughout Hamilton City.

Staff Recommendation - *Tuutohu-aa-kaimahi*

2. That the Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel:
 - i. receives the report; and
 - ii. approves the changes to parking restrictions and controls as set out in the table below:

Location	Amendments to current restrictions
Caro Street	Provide Mobility Parking by: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. temporary installation of 10m 'P60 Mobility At All Times' restriction at #260 Anglesea Street –Municipal Building – Caro Wing Carpark to accommodate repainting and tiling of the Municipal Building.

- iii. approves the following changes to the Traffic Bylaw 2021 Register 7 – Heavy Traffic Prohibitions:
 - i. Rename Traffic Bylaw 2021 Register 7 – Heavy Vehicle Prohibitions: Part 5 –to “Hamilton City Heavy Vehicle Through Traffic and Over Dimensional Vehicles Routes”
 - ii. Map Update Part 4 – Approved Stock Routes in Urban Areas (26.10.2022)
 - iii. Map update Part 5 – Hamilton City Heavy Vehicle Through Traffic and Over-Dimensional Routes (19.10.2022)
 - iv. Map update Part 6 – Weight Or Load Restrictions, B – Higher Productivity Motor Vehicles – Approved routes (26.10.2022)
 - v. Map update Part 6 – Weight Or Load Restrictions, C – 50MAX Heavy Motor Vehicles (13.10.2022)

Executive Summary - *Whakaraapopototanga matua*

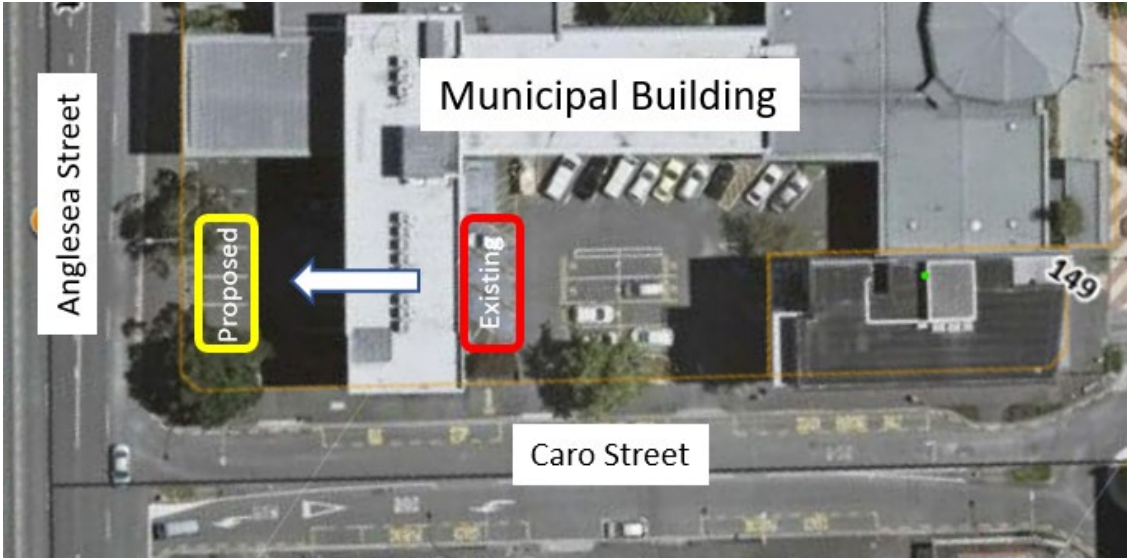
3. The Hamilton City Traffic Bylaw 2021 (the Traffic Bylaw) sets out the requirements for transport related activities within the road reserve. A resolution of the Council (via the delegation to the Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel) is required to make changes to any of the restrictions contained within the Traffic Bylaw registers.
4. The changes proposed for approval in this report to be considered are:
 - i. parking restriction changes including No Stopping and time restrictions; and
 - ii. changes to a register of the Traffic Bylaw: Register 7 – Heavy Traffic Prohibitions.
5. Targeted consultation has been completed for all proposed changes and generally there is support for these.
6. Staff consider that the decisions in this report have low significance and that the recommendations comply with Council’s legal requirements.

Background - *Koorero whaimaarama*

7. The Traffic Bylaw sets out the requirements for a variety of restrictions within the road reserve including:
 - i. parking;
 - ii. general control of vehicular or other traffic e.g. banning of turns, installation of No Stopping restrictions;
 - iii. creation of cycle lanes and paths; and
 - iv. establishment of specific parking zones such as bus stops, taxi stands, loading zones, mobility.
8. A resolution of the Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel is required to make changes to any of these restrictions.
9. Regular changes to traffic restrictions (including parking controls) are required throughout the city – often in response to requests from the general public or businesses in regard to safety or accessibility concerns.
10. Opportunities for improvement are also identified by staff when considering changes in parking use patterns, or changes made to the built environment e.g., developments or discretionary transport projects.

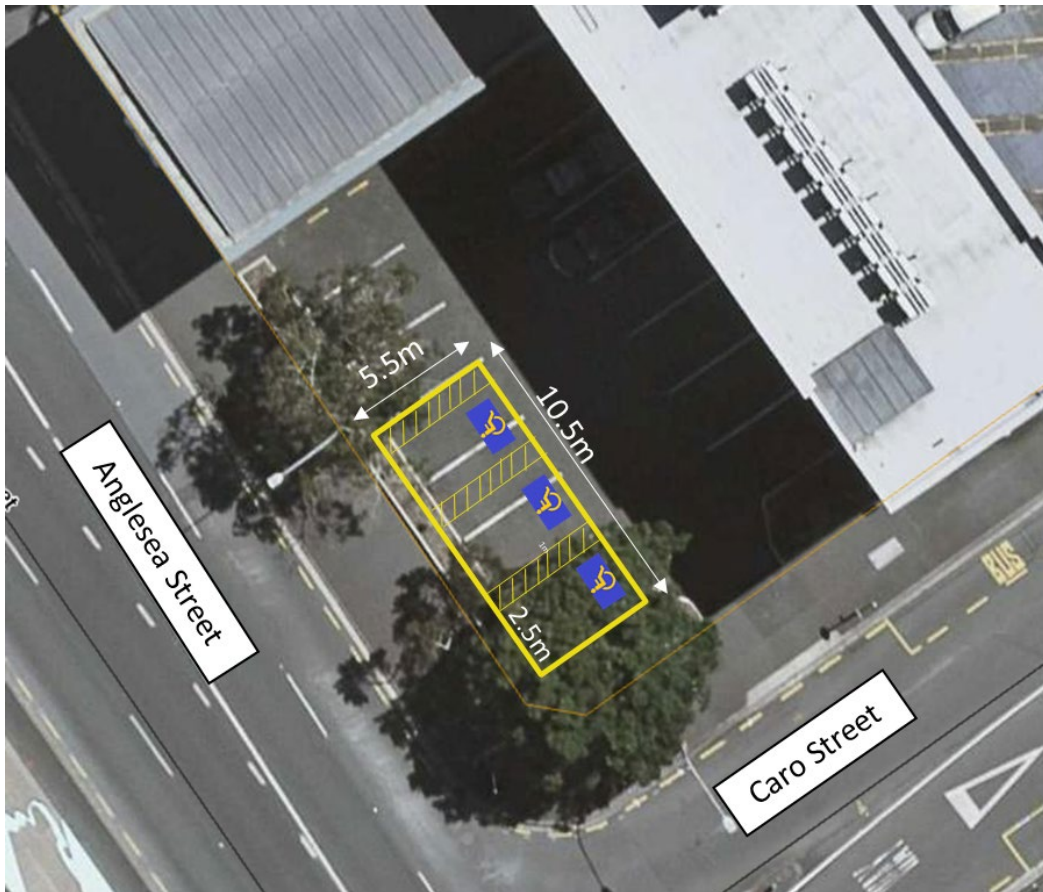
Parking Restriction Changes

11. As part of the repainting and repair of tiles on the external walls of the Hamilton City Municipal Building there is a need to install scaffolding around the building. The scaffolding will result in some of the carparks situated around the building being made unavailable at various times.
12. While the impact on parking facilities can generally be managed by limiting access, there is a need to provide dedicated mobility carparking spaces for visitors to the Municipal Building.
13. It is therefore proposed to temporarily establish three mobility carparks in the carpark on the corner of Anglesea Street and Caro Street while this work is undertaken. The relocation is shown in the plan below.



Proposed relocation of mobility carparks from Caro Street carpark.

- 14. The proposed mobility carparking will need to utilise four of the existing carparks to enable enough space vehicle access in and out. The proposed layout is shown in the plan below:



Proposed layout of the temporary mobility carparks

- 15. The mobility carparks at the above pictured location are temporary. Mobility parking spaces will remain in their existing location in the Caro Street carpark once the repainting and repair work on the Municipal Building has been completed.
- 16. Approval from the Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel of this temporary relocation is being sought to allow for enforcement measures for any illegal parking activities that occur in these temporary mobility carparks.

Traffic Bylaw Changes

- 17. The Traffic Bylaw has a series of registers that are able to be updated by Council resolution (via the delegation to the Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel).
- 18. Changes are proposed to the following registers of the of the Hamilton Traffic Bylaw 2021: Register 7 – Heavy Traffic Prohibitions

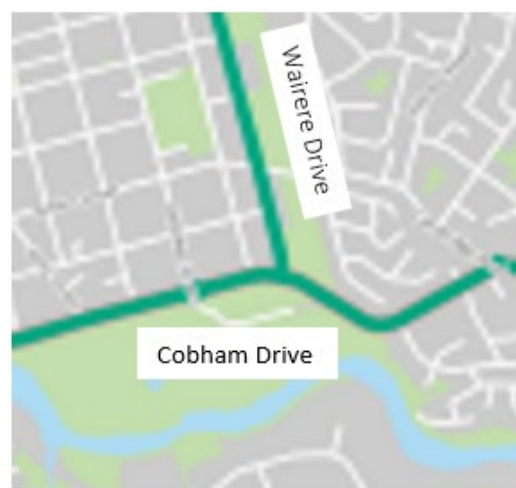
Heavy Traffic Prohibitions Register

- 19. The Traffic Bylaw 2021 currently has the following Heavy Vehicle maps included within the Heavy Vehicles Register:

Heavy Motor Vehicle Map	Purpose of the Map
Part 4 – Approved Stock Routes in Urban Areas	Defines the routes that stock trucks are allowed to use within Hamilton City.
Part 5 – Hamilton City Heavy Vehicle Through Traffic Routes	Defines the routes that trucks passing through the city and not stopping for business are allowed to use and the route for over-dimension loads to move through the city.
Part 6B – HPMV Approved Routes	Defines the routes that <u>can be used</u> by vehicles operating with Higher Productivity Motor Vehicles (HPMV) permits.
Part 6C – 50MAX Heavy Motor Vehicle restrictions	Defines the structures (bridges and culverts) that cannot be used by heavy vehicles operating with loads above 44 but less than 50 tonne.

- 20. As a result of the completion of two major transport projects within the city and the completion of the Waikato Expressway Hamilton Section, updates to the Heavy Traffic Prohibition maps are required.
- 21. The proposed changes to the Heavy Traffic maps are outlined below:

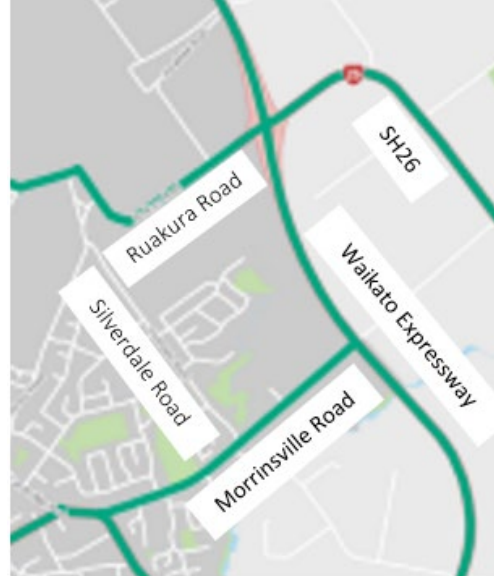
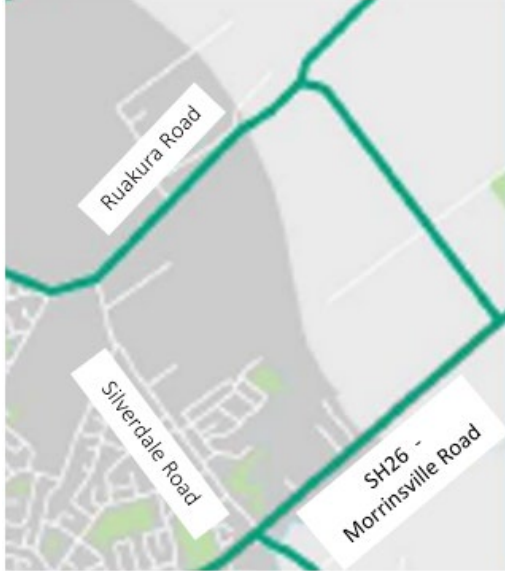
a) Wairere Drive extension to Cobham Drive



Current map requires trucks to use Naylor Street and Galloway Street.

Proposed map will require heavy vehicles to stay on Wairere Drive through to the new Cobham Drive interchange.

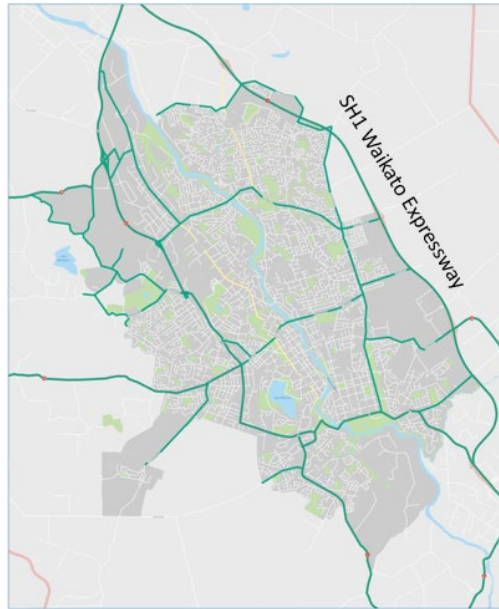
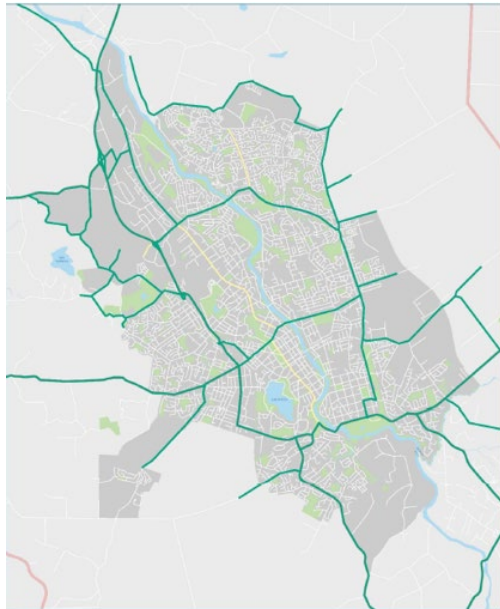
b) Ruakura Road upgrade and realignment to connect to Waikato Expressway



Current map shows the old alignment of Ruakura Road and doesn't have the Waikato Expressway

Proposed map shows the new alignment of Ruakura Road and the connection to the Waikato Expressway

c) Addition of the Waikato Expressway Hamilton Section and the various interchanges



Current map without Waikato Expressway

Proposed maps with Waikato Expressway

22. Copies of the existing and proposed maps are included in **Attachment 1** to this report.

23. It is also proposed to update the name of Part 5 – ‘Hamilton City Heavy Vehicle Through Traffic Routes’ to become ‘Hamilton City Heavy Vehicle Through Traffic and Over Dimensional Vehicles Routes’ to better reflect the content of the map.

Financial Considerations - *Whaiwhakaaro Puutea*

24. Funding for the temporary instalment of Mobility Carparks at #260 Anglesea Street –Municipal Building – Caro Wing Carpark will be covered by the Municipal Building repainting project.

Legal and Policy Considerations - *Whaiwhakaaro-aa-ture*

25. Staff confirm that the staff recommendation complies with Council’s legal and policy requirements.
26. Staff have also considered the key considerations under the Climate Change Policy and have determined that an adaptation assessment and emissions assessment is not required for the matter(s) in this report.

Wellbeing Considerations - *Whaiwhakaaro-aa-oranga tonutanga*

27. The purpose of Local Government changed on the 14 May 2019 to include promotion of the social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future (‘the 4 Wellbeings’).
28. The subject matter of this report has been evaluated in terms of the 4 Wellbeings during the process of developing this report as outlined below.
29. The recommendations set out in this report are consistent with that purpose.

Social

30. The recommendations included in this report helps the community achieve their goals by ensuring their safety and amenity of residential streets by minimising the number of heavy vehicles using residential streets.

Economic

31. The recommendations included in this report enable heavy vehicles to use the direct and appropriate routes for moving in and around the city.

Environmental

32. The recommendations included in this report support the freight industry to operate efficiently on transport corridors designed to cater for their needs thereby minimising unnecessary travel around residential streets.

Cultural

33. There are no known cultural considerations associated with this matter.

Risks - *Tuuraru*

34. There are risks associated with not approving the recommendations in this report as set out as follows:
- i. Temporary mobility parking in the carpark on the corner of Caro Street and Anglesea Street will not be able to be enforced and illegal parking minimised; and
 - ii. Heavy motor vehicles will not be able to use the appropriate routes in and around the city.

Significance & Engagement Policy - *Kaupapa here whakahira/anganui*

Significance

35. Staff considered the following under the Significance and Engagement Policy
 - i. the form of engagement used in the past for similar proposals and decisions.
36. Based on these factors, staff have assessed that the recommendations have low significance.

Engagement

37. Targeted consultation has been undertaken with affected stakeholder groups prior to the preparation of this report.
38. Consultation for the proposed Heavy Traffic changes has been completed with the heavy vehicle representative groups (Transporting NZ, National Road Carriers and Heavy Haulage Association) and they are in support of these changes to enable them to legally use these new roads.
39. Community views and preferences on Heavy Traffic are already known, and therefore no additional consultation was undertaken with the community on these proposed changes. These roading changes have been designed to cater for heavy vehicles and are more desirable routes for heavy vehicles to use instead of using residential streets.

Attachments

Attachment 1 - Traffic Bylaw - Proposed Heavy Traffic Restriction Maps



November 2022

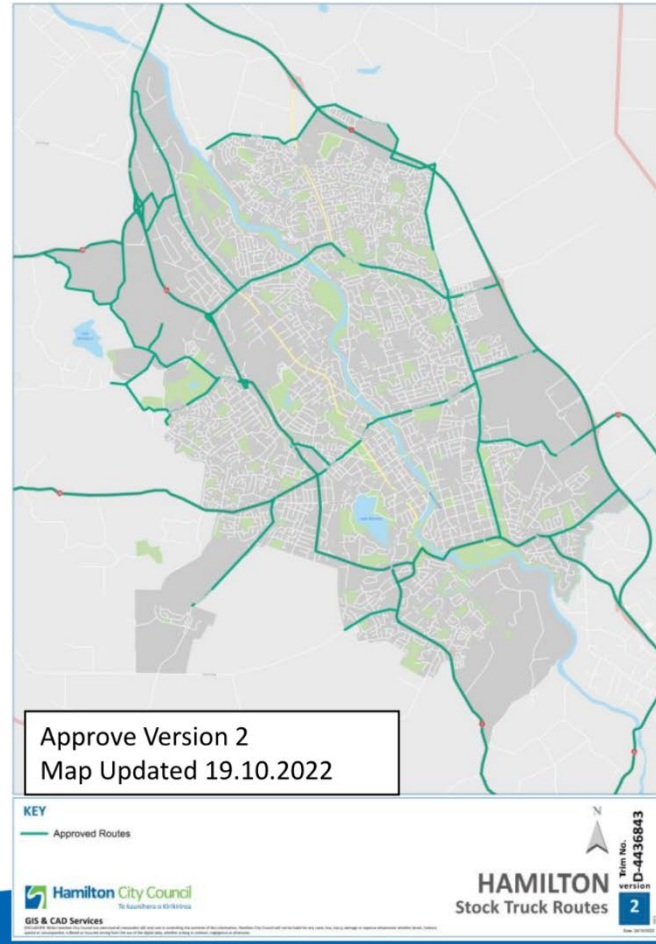
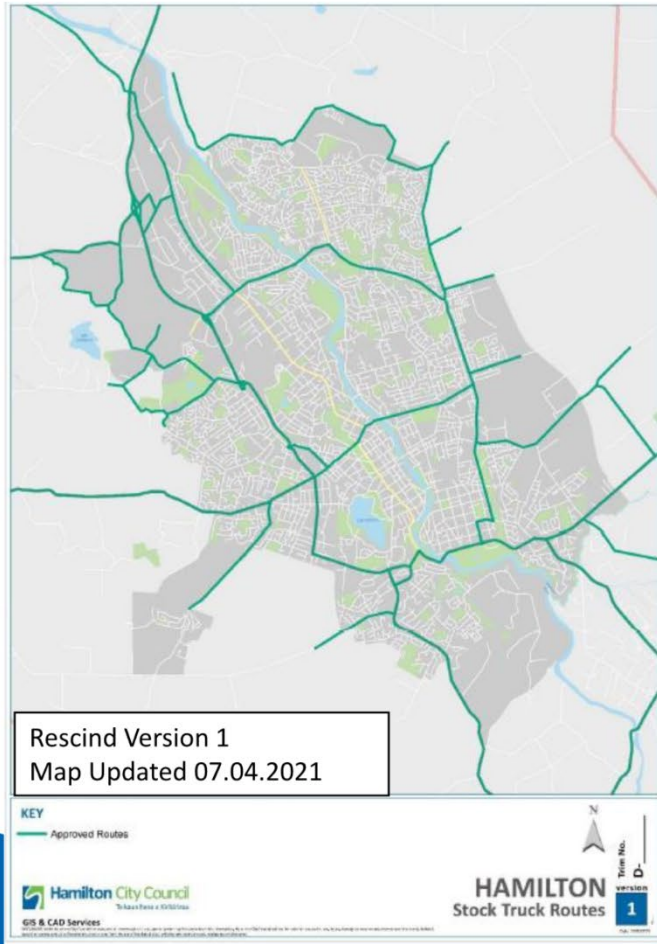


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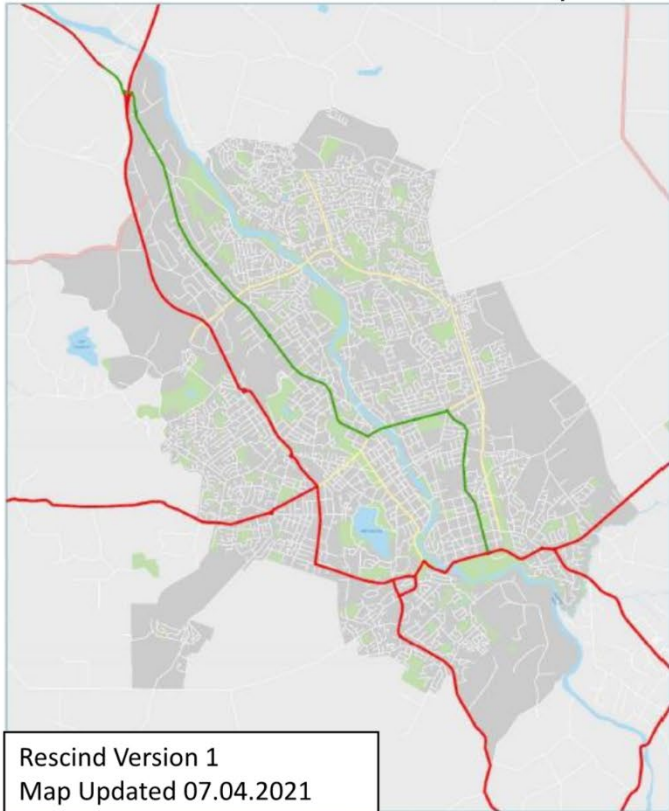
Attachment 1 - Illustrations of proposed traffic restriction changes – November 2022

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Proposed Heavy Traffic Restrictions Register 7 – Part 4 Approved Stock Truck Routes in Urban Areas



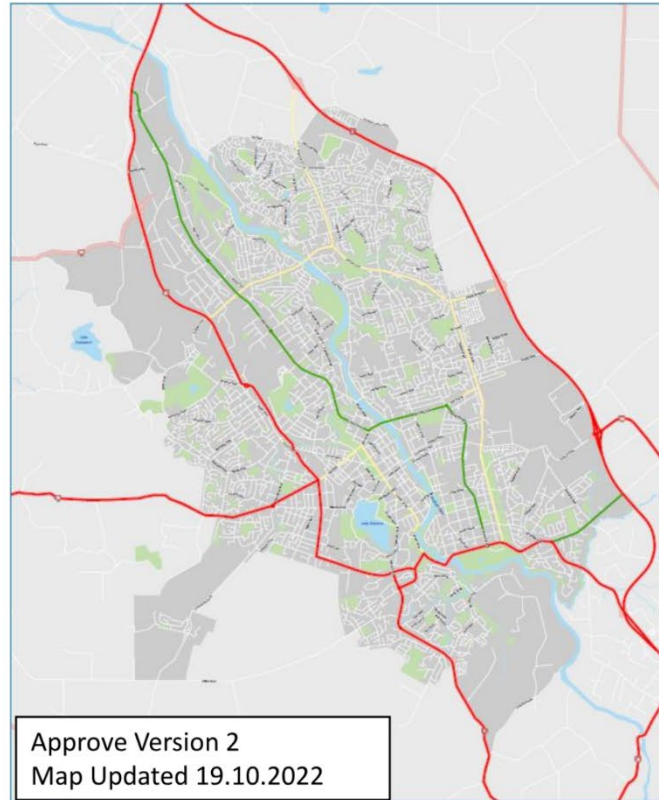
Proposed Heavy Traffic Restrictions Register 7 – Part 5 Heavy Vehicle and Over Dimensional Routes



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Heavy Vehicles Through Routes
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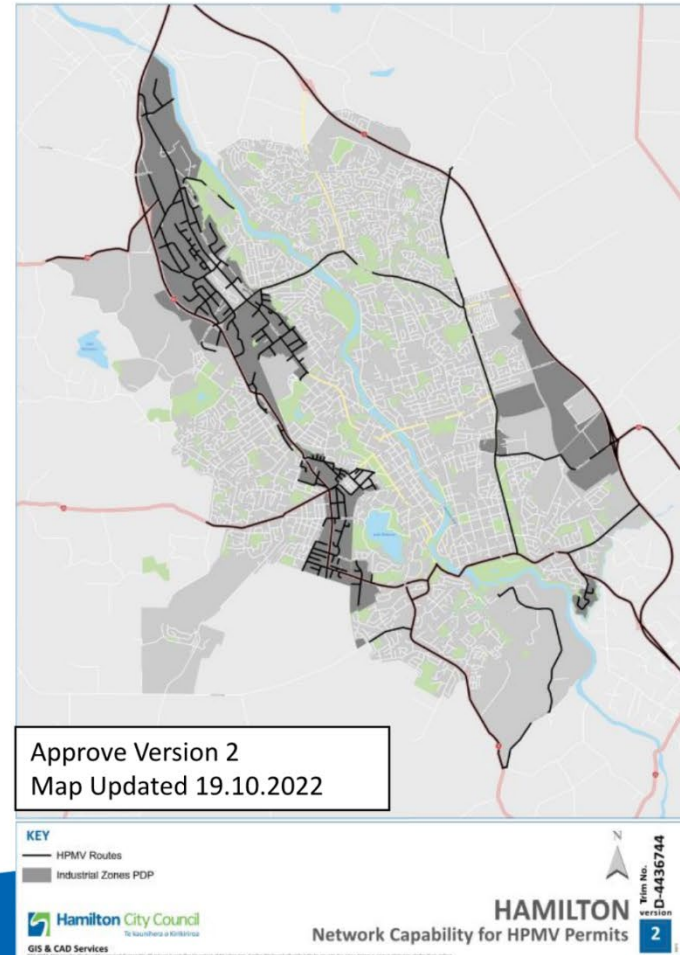
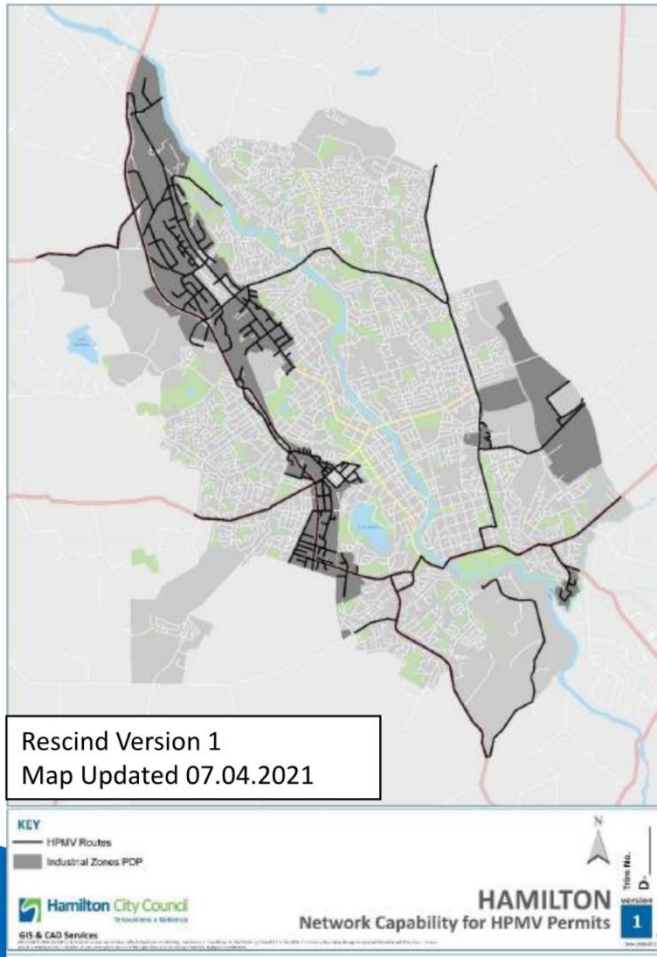


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Proposed Heavy Traffic Restrictions Register 7 – Part 6 B Higher Productivity Motor Vehicles – Approved Routes

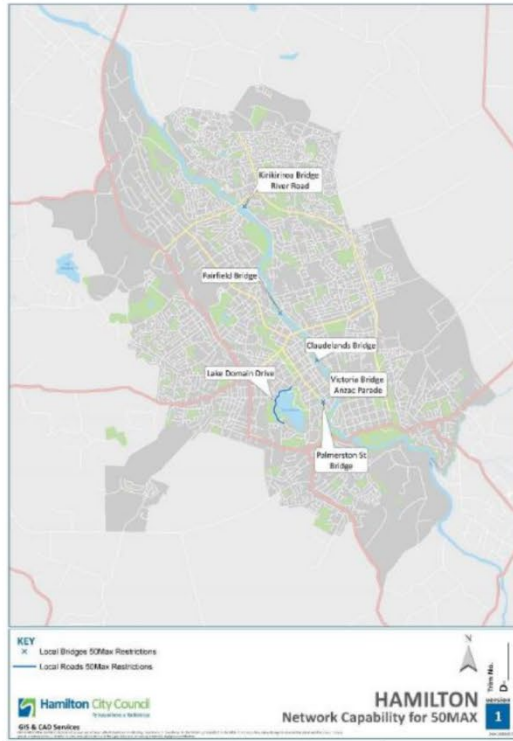


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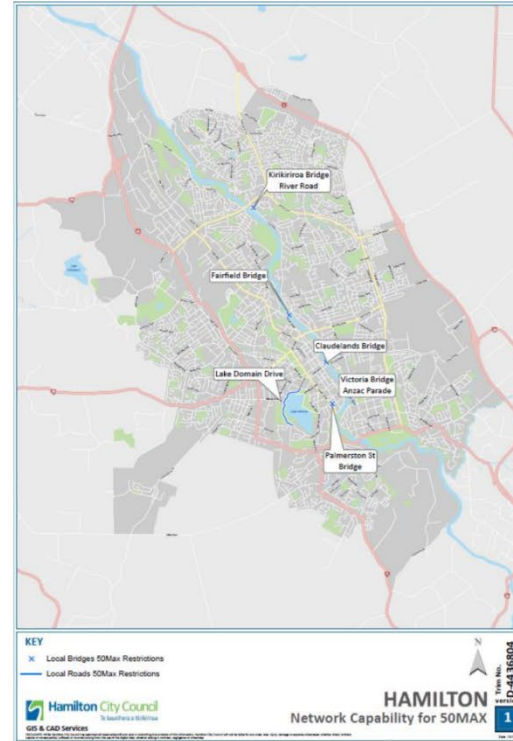
Attachment 1



Proposed Heavy Traffic Restrictions Register 7 – Part 6 C 50MAX Heavy Motor Vehicles



Rescind Version 1
Map Updated 07.04.2021



Approve Version 2
Map Updated 19.10.2022

Council Report

Item 5

Committee: Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel
Date: 22 November 2022
Author: Robyn Denton
Authoriser: Eeva-Liisa Wright
Position: Network Operations and Use Leader
Position: General Manager Infrastructure Operations
Report Name: Temporary Road Closure Approvals for Events

Report Status	<i>Open</i>
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Purpose - *Take*

1. To seek approval from the Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel for the following temporary road closures:
 - a) Worley Place Shared Zone for the 'Lighting the Xmas Tree' event planned for 26 November 2022.
 - b) Parts of Seddon Road, Norton Road, Tristram Street, Bryce Street and Somerset Street for the White Ferns vs Bangladesh cricket match planned for 17 December 2022.

Staff Recommendation - *Tuutohu-aa-kaimahi*

2. That the Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel:
 - a) receives the report;
 - b) approves the closure of Worley Place Shared Zone to accommodate the 'Lighting of the Xmas Tree' event on 26 November 2022 between 2.00 pm to midnight; and
 - c) approves the closure of the following roads for the White Ferns vs Bangladesh cricket match on 17 December 2022:
 - i) Pre match closure between 11.00am and 6.00pm
 - (1) Seddon Road from Norton Road to Somerset Street
 - ii) Post-match closure between 6.00pm and 10.00pm
 - (1) Seddon Road from Marama Street to Norton Road Roundabout
 - (2) Norton Road from the roundabout to London Street
 - (3) Tristram Street from London Street to Bryce Street
 - (4) Bryce Street from Tristram Street to Seddon Road
 - (5) Somerset Street from Devon Road to Seddon Road
 - d) approves the Notice of Decision be issued stating Council's decision for the Lighting of the Xmas Tree event on 26 November 2022 and the White Ferns vs Bangladesh match on 17

December 2022.

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Executive Summary - *Whakaraapopototanga matua*

3. Applications have been received for a temporary road closure for the following two locations:
 - a) Worley Place Shared Zone for the 'Lighting of the Xmas Tree' event planned for 26 November 2022,
 - b) Parts of Seddon Road, Norton Road, Tristram Street, Bryce Street and Somerset Street for the White Ferns vs Bangladesh match planned for 17 December 2022.
4. The applications for road closures were not submitted within the 42 working day timeframe required for processing under the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closures) Regulations 1965, and therefore approval under the Local Government Act 1974 is being sought.
5. The Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel (Traffic Panel) has the delegation to consider and approve these applications.
6. Similar closures of these streets have been undertaken in the past. Consultation with adjacent property owners has been undertaken by the event organisers.
7. Staff have undertaken consultation with NZ Police and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, and both have approved these closure requests.
8. Staff consider the decision in this report has low significance and that the recommendations comply with Council's legal requirements.

Discussion - *Matapaki*

9. Hamilton City has a large number of events held each year and often there are temporary road closures associated with the events which are put into place to ensure the safety of the event participants and the general public.
10. Applications for temporary road closures associated with events are normally processed under the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closures) Regulations 1965 which requires 42 working days public notice.
11. Occasionally there are situations where the 42 days public notice was not achieved. In these situations, approval of a temporary road closure for an event can be granted under the Local Government Act 1974 No 66, Schedule 10, Clause 11(e) (LGA 1974). The Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel has the delegation to consider and approve these temporary road closures.
12. The LGA 1974 process requires public notices be issued prior to the Traffic Panel meeting to notify the Intention to Consider the temporary road closures and then again following the Traffic Panel meeting in a Notice of Decision.
13. The Ministry of Transport have recently consulted on a number of potential changes to this process as part of the [Reshaping Streets](#) proposal. Council submitted in support of the proposals and our submission can be viewed [here](#). At this stage it is unknown when any changes will be made to legislation by Government to simplify this process.

'Lighting of the Xmas Tree' Event

14. The closure of the Worley Place Shared Zone to accommodate the annual Lighting of the Xmas Tree event is proposed to ensure the safety of the public visiting the event. The event aims to be family orientated and it is expected that there will be large numbers of children moving between Civic Plaza and Garden Plaza across Worley Place Shared Zone for this event.
15. The following plan shows the proposed extent of the road closure.



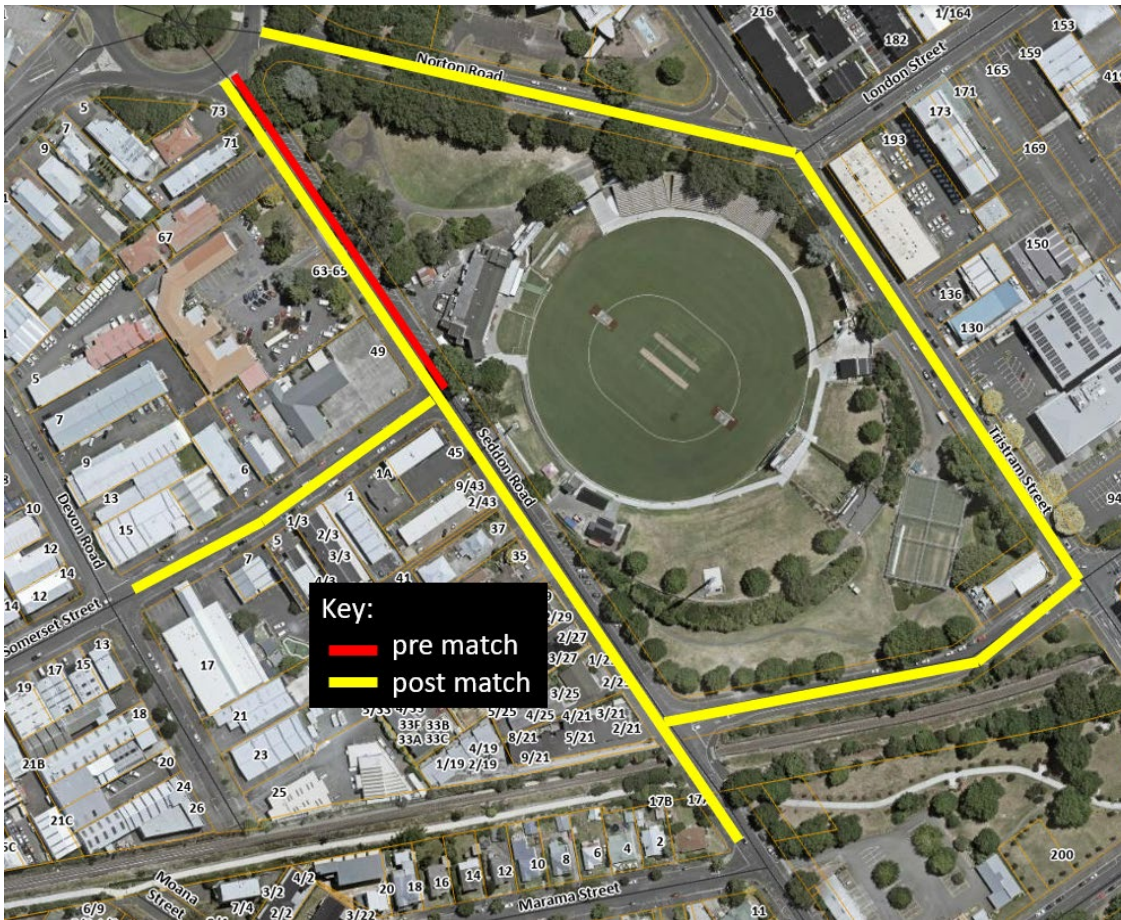
Extent of proposed temporary road closure for Worley Place Shared Zone (red box)

16. Information of the road closure will be posted on Victoria Street prior to the Ward Street entrance to this area to minimise the inconvenience to drivers who were planning to drive through this section from the Ward Street end.
17. The event has been promoted by Hamilton City Council and the Hamilton Central Business Association. Consultation with all adjacent businesses has been completed.
18. The road is proposed to be closed between 2.00pm and midnight to accommodate the set up and pack down of the temporary traffic management.

White Ferns vs Bangladesh Cricket match

19. The White Ferns vs Bangladesh game was originally planned for Sunday 18 December 2022 and the various associated temporary road closures were publicly advertised under the provisions of the Transport (Vehicular Traffic Road Closures) Regulations 1965.
20. The date of the event had to be changed due to availability of flights for the players and will now be held on Saturday 17 December 2022 – at the same time and with the same temporary road closures. At the time of the change there was insufficient time to provide the 42 days notice of the new event date.
21. The temporary road closures required around the Seddon Stadium are:
 - a) Pre match closure between 11.00am and 6.00pm
 - i) Seddon Road from Norton Road to Somerset Street
 - b) Post-match closure between 6.00pm and 10.00pm
 - i) Seddon Road from Marama Street to Norton Road Roundabout
 - ii) Norton Road from the roundabout to London Street
 - iii) Tristram Street from London Street to Bryce Street
 - iv) Bryce Street from Tristram Street to Seddon Road
 - v) Somerset Street from Devon Road to Seddon Road

22. The proposed temporary road closures are shown in the map below:



Proposed temporary road closures for White Ferns vs Bangladesh Cricket match

- 23. There were no objections received from the initial public notification of the proposed temporary road closures associated with the event and these closures are standard closures associated with these types of events.
- 24. The post-match closures will only be in place until the crowds have dispersed following the completion of the match.

Financial Considerations - Whaiwhakaaro Puutea

- 25. All costs associated with the two public notices required by the Local Government Act and temporary traffic management are met by the applicants.

Legal and Policy Considerations - Whaiwhakaaro-aa-ture

- 26. Staff confirm that proposed approval complies with the Council’s legal and policy requirements and those of the Local Government Act 1974.
- 27. Staff have also considered the key considerations under the Climate Change Policy and have determined that an adaptation assessment and emissions assessment is not required for the matter in this report.

Wellbeing Considerations - Whaiwhakaaro-aa-oranga tonutanga

- 28. The purpose of Local Government changed on the 14 May 2019 to include promotion of the social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future (‘the 4 wellbeings’).

29. The subject matter of this report has been evaluated in terms of the 4 wellbeings during the process of developing this report as outlined below.
30. The recommendations set out in this report are consistent with that purpose.

Social

31. The recommendations included in this report helps the community achieve their goals by ensuring their safety while attending the events.

Economic

32. The proposed events bring visitors into central Hamilton City and supports the local businesses in the vicinity of the events.

Environmental

33. No specific environmental considerations were identified in the development of this report.

Cultural

34. No specific cultural considerations were identified in the development of this report.

Risks - *Tuuraru*

35. Due to the large numbers of people expected to attend, there are considerable public safety and accessibility risks associated with not approving the recommendations in this report. If the recommendations are not approved the events outlined above would be able to go ahead, but it would need to be in a modified format.

Significance & Engagement Policy - *Kaupapa here whakahira/anganui*

Significance

36. Staff considered the form of engagement used in the past for similar proposals and decisions.
37. Staff have considered the key considerations under the Significance and Engagement Policy and have assessed that the recommendation(s) in this report has/have a low level of significance.

Engagement

38. In accordance with the Local Government Act provisions, public notification was given of the intention to consider the temporary road closures applications at this meeting.
39. Staff have undertaken consultation with the NZ Police and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency (Waka Kotahi) and they are supportive of the temporary road closure for the events outlined in this report.
40. In addition, the applicants have the following engagement plans for their events:
 - a) 'Lighting of the Xmas Tree' event organisers have provided notification to all properties affected by the proposed temporary road closure and has been working with the Hamilton Central Business Association who are partnering in the delivery of the event.
 - b) 'White Ferns vs Bangladesh' event organisers will be providing notification to all properties affected by the proposed temporary road closures and have previously utilized these temporary road closures for other cricket events at the Seddon Stadium.
41. If the closures are approved, a public notice of the decision to temporarily close the roads will be issued.

Item 5

Attachments - *Ngaa taapirihanga*

There are no attachments for this report. .