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## PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURES - NOVEMBER 2013

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### 1. Purpose of report

To seek approval of Council for the temporary closure of roads in the Wellington District.

### 2. Executive summary

The Wellington City Council has received an application from an event organiser for approval to hold an event involving a temporary road closure. Details of the event by Curious Films and the expected impact on traffic are attached to this report as appendix 1.

### 3. Recommendations

It is recommended that Council:

1. *Receive the information.*
2. *Agree to close the following roads for the events as shown, to vehicles only, subject to the conditions listed in the Proposed Temporary Road Closure Impact Report:*

(a) *For the Filming of a TV Commercial Saturday 23 November or Sunday 24 November 2013 Road Closures:*

- *Aitken Street 5am – 9.30am*
- *Stout Street 5am – 9.30am*
- *Ballance Street 5am – 10am*
- *Maginnity Street 5am – 10am*
- *Pipitea Street 5am – 9.30am*
- *Moturoa Street 5am – 9.30am*

#### ***Stop Go Traffic Management Locations***

- *Glenmore Street*
- *Hill Street*
- *Observatory Road*
- *Wadestown Road (Lower)*
- *Allan Street*
- *Blair Street*
- *Hunter Street*
- *Wakefield Street*
- *Bolton Street*
- *Molesworth Street*
- *Torrens Terrace*
- *Victoria Street(corner) Willeston Street*

*(b) Weather cover dates are Saturday 30 November Sunday 1 December 2013. All time adjustments will be outside business hours.*

## **4. Background**

The Council has received a request for a number of public roads to be closed for an event (as detailed in the impact report attached). This request has been processed, and this report to Council has been prepared, in accordance with the procedures that were approved by the Regulatory Processes Committee on 15 December 2010.

## **5. Discussion**

### **5.1 Consultation and Engagement**

Affected stakeholders were notified that the Council was going to consider the proposed temporary road closures through an advertisement in the Dominion Post. The New Zealand Police and the Ministry of Transport have also been consulted with. Any correspondence received in response to the proposed closures has been included in the attached reports. The traffic management plans for each event will show how any objections raised are to be managed.

### **5.2 Financial considerations**

There are no significant financial considerations to be addressed in regards to the proposed closures.

### **5.3 Traffic Impact Assessment**

Council's Traffic Engineer, has assessed the proposed closure with regards to expected impact on traffic. The Traffic Engineer has provided a professional opinion as to whether the resulting impact on traffic is likely to be reasonable or unreasonable. The proposed closure, if implemented according to the proposed traffic management plan and in accordance with any specific conditions set by the Traffic Engineer, should not result in unreasonable impact on traffic. If, in the opinion of the Council, the closure may or does impede traffic unreasonably, any approval granted by the Council may be revoked and the event organiser may be required to open the road at the direction of the Council's Traffic Engineer.

### **5.4 Long-term plan considerations**

The City Events Team has assessed the proposed event with regard to their contribution towards the Council's strategies and policies. The proposed event supports the Council's strategy to be the "events capital" of the country and will contribute to the economic success of the city.

## **6. Conclusion**

Approval is required from Council to allow for the temporary closure of roads in the Wellington District for events supported by the Wellington City Council. This will ensure that the Wellington City Council is complying with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1974 for the temporary closure of roads within its jurisdiction.

Contact Officer: *Maria Taumaa - Street Activities Co-ordinator*

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

### 1) Strategic fit / Strategic outcome

Temporary road closures for events contribute to the council's desire to be the events capital of New Zealand. Specific council strategies that are supported by this include:

- More liveable – through prudent management of the road network.
- More eventful – some events may not be possible without temporary road closures.
- More actively engaged – affected stakeholders will have the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed closures.
- Better connected – through better management of traffic flows. Conversely road closures could sever key transport routes.
- More prosperous – the film industry relies on road closures, and other types of events increase commercial activity.

### 2) LTP/Annual Plan reference and long term financial impact

Administration of the proposed closures is budgeted for under Annual Plan Project C481 Network Activity Coordination. There will be no long term financial impact to the Council resulting from these closures.

### 3) Treaty of Waitangi considerations

No significant Treaty implications.

### 4) Decision-making

This is not considered to be a significant decision.

### 5) Consultation

#### a) General consultation

Key event organisers and other stakeholders (such as public transport and emergency services) have been consulted with to determine whether they would be impacted by the proposed closures, and where appropriate any traffic management plans have been modified accordingly.

#### b) Consultation with Maori

No specific consultation with Maori was carried out.

### 6) Legal implications

The process used to consider the proposed closures for approval is in accordance with the advice provided by the council's lawyers.

### 7) Consistency with existing policy

The plans for the proposed closures and this report have been prepared in accordance with the Code of Practice for Temporary Traffic Management and the process previously approved by the Regulatory Processes Committee.

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## PROPOSED TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE – IMPACT REPORT

### *FILMING - INTERNATIONAL TELEVISION COMMERCIAL 23 OR 24 NOVEMBER 2013*

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#### 1. Description of Event

Film Wellington on behalf of Curious Films has applied for permission to close parts of the following streets on the 23 or 24 November 2013. Weather contingency dates are 30 or 1 December 2013.

The proposed road closure is:

- Aitken Street (between Molesworth and Mulgrave) 5am to 9.30am Saturday 23 or Sunday 24 November 2013
- Pipitea Street 5am to 9.30am Saturday 23 or Sunday 24 November 2013
- Moturoa Street 5am to 9.30am Saturday 23 or Sunday 24 November 2013
- Stout Street 5am to 9.30am Saturday 23 November 2013 or Sunday 24 November 5am-10am
- Ballance Street. 5am to 9.30am Saturday 23 November 2013 or Sunday 24 November 5am-10am
- Maginnity Street 5am to 9.30am Saturday 23 November 2013 or Sunday 24 November 5am-10am

#### Stop/Go Traffic Management Locations

All these sites will be managed outside business hours (Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5pm).

- Glenmore Street
- Hill Street
- Observatory Road
- Wadestown Road (Lower)
- Allan Street
- Blair Street
- Hunter Street
- Wakefield Street
- Bolton Street
- Molesworth Street
- Torrens Terrace
- Victoria Street (Corner) Willeston Street.

The proposed road closures will enable filming of a Television Commercial for Curious Films. The filming will employ many extras and crew and will contribute to the

Wellington economy by providing jobs for Wellington residents and income for a variety of Wellington businesses.

Pedestrian and emergency access will be maintained although there may be some brief periods when pedestrians may be asked to wait while an activity is filmed. Traffic management plans will be in place and managed by a professional traffic management company with experience of filming events. These plans will address traffic management issues (and these may be different depending on the time of day or contingency date), local access, parking issues, directional signage, detour signage and pedestrian control.

Film Wellington will complete a preliminary notification letter drop to residents and businesses affected by the closures - indicating the proposal and requesting feedback. If permission is received to close the roads, notification signs will be erected on the streets affected.

Residents and business tenants will have access between each filming shot.

## 2. Events Directorate Support

The Events Directorate has no connection with, and no objection to this event.

## 3. Proposal Notice and Consultation

The public notice advising that the Council is proposing to consider this closure was published in the :

Dominion Post Saturday on 2 November 2013

The New Zealand Police and the Ministry of Transport have also been consulted with.

## 4. Objections

There have been NO objections to this closure request.

## 5. Traffic Impact Assessment

### Prior Closures

None of the proposed closures for this event will result in a road being closed for an aggregate of more than 31 days in any year.

### Traffic Impact

In the opinion of Stephen Harte Programme Manager Transport Network Development, acting as the Council's Traffic Engineer, the proposed closure, if implemented according to an approved traffic management plan, is not likely to impede traffic unreasonably subject to the conditions listed below. However, the Council reserves the right to modify this opinion at any time. If, in the opinion of the Council, the closure may or does impede traffic unreasonably, any approval granted by the Regulatory Processes Committee may be revoked and the event organiser

may be required to open the road at the direction of a suitably qualified Council officer in charge of traffic.

Conditions:

- The road closure will start at 5am and finish at 10.00am
- The event organiser is to obtain Council approval on the details of a traffic management plan prior to the event.
- The event organiser is to notify the residents and business owners in the area's concerned.
- The event organiser is responsible for safety (pedestrian and traffic) within the closed area.
- The event organiser is to provide marshals at all road closures ends to ensure that public safety (interaction of traffic and spectators) is not compromised.
- The event organiser is to consult and gain approval from the emergency services on the road closure and provide access for emergency vehicles.

Signed


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Stephen Harte  
Programme Manager Transport Network Development

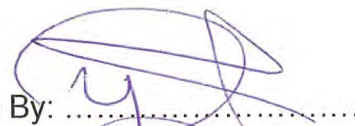
## 6. Attachments

- Map of proposed closure
- Copy of proposal notice from the newspaper

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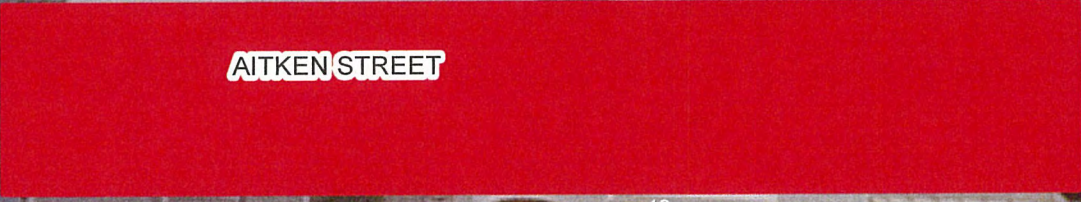
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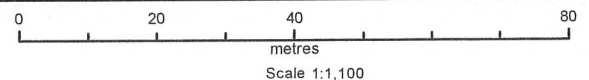
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 Proposed Temporary Closure



# Curious Honda TV Commercial

## Road Closure 23 or 24 November 2013 Aitken St

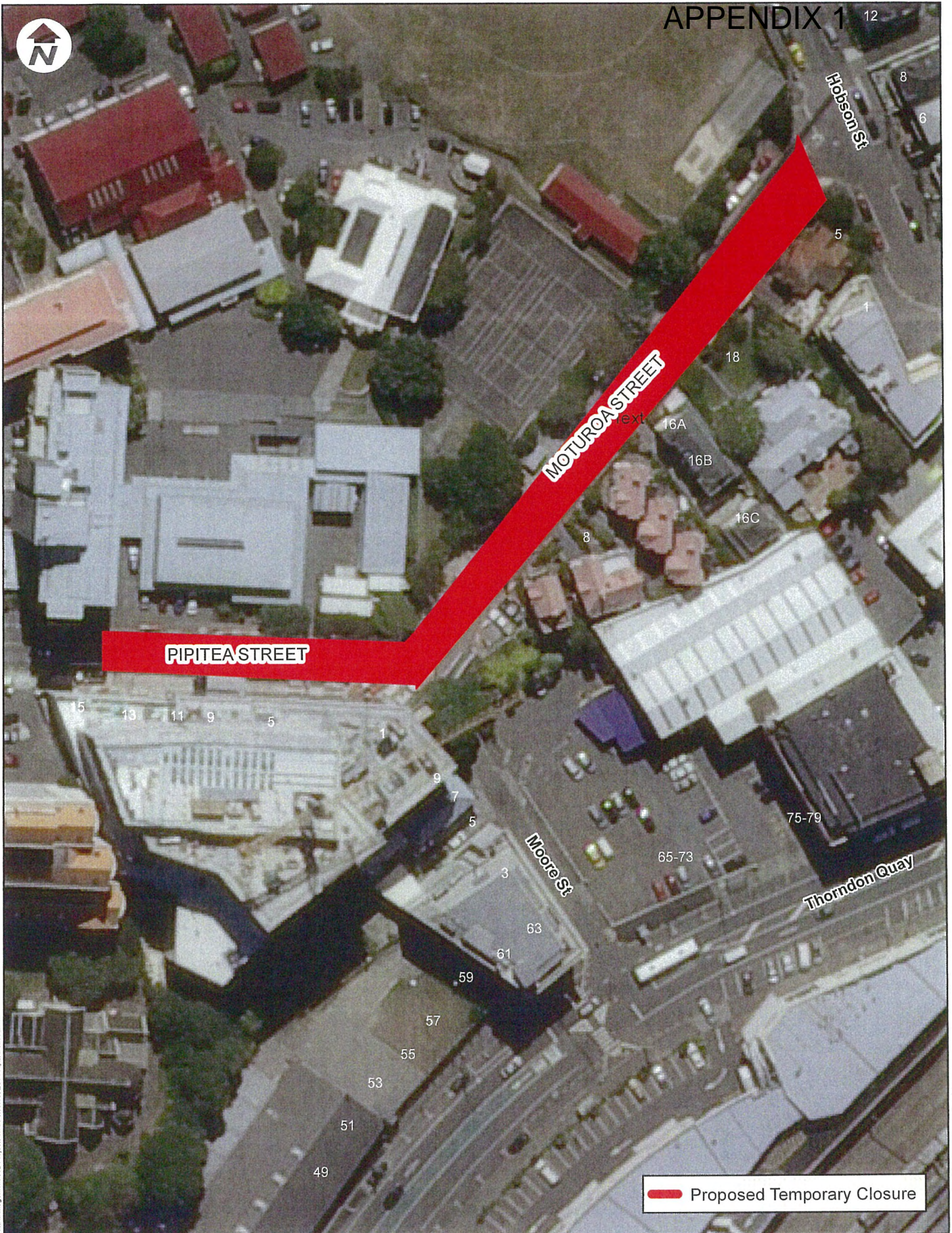
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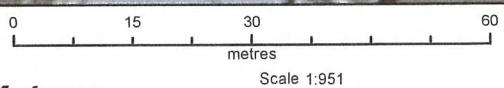
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## Road Closure 23 or 24 November 2013 Pipitea & Moturoa

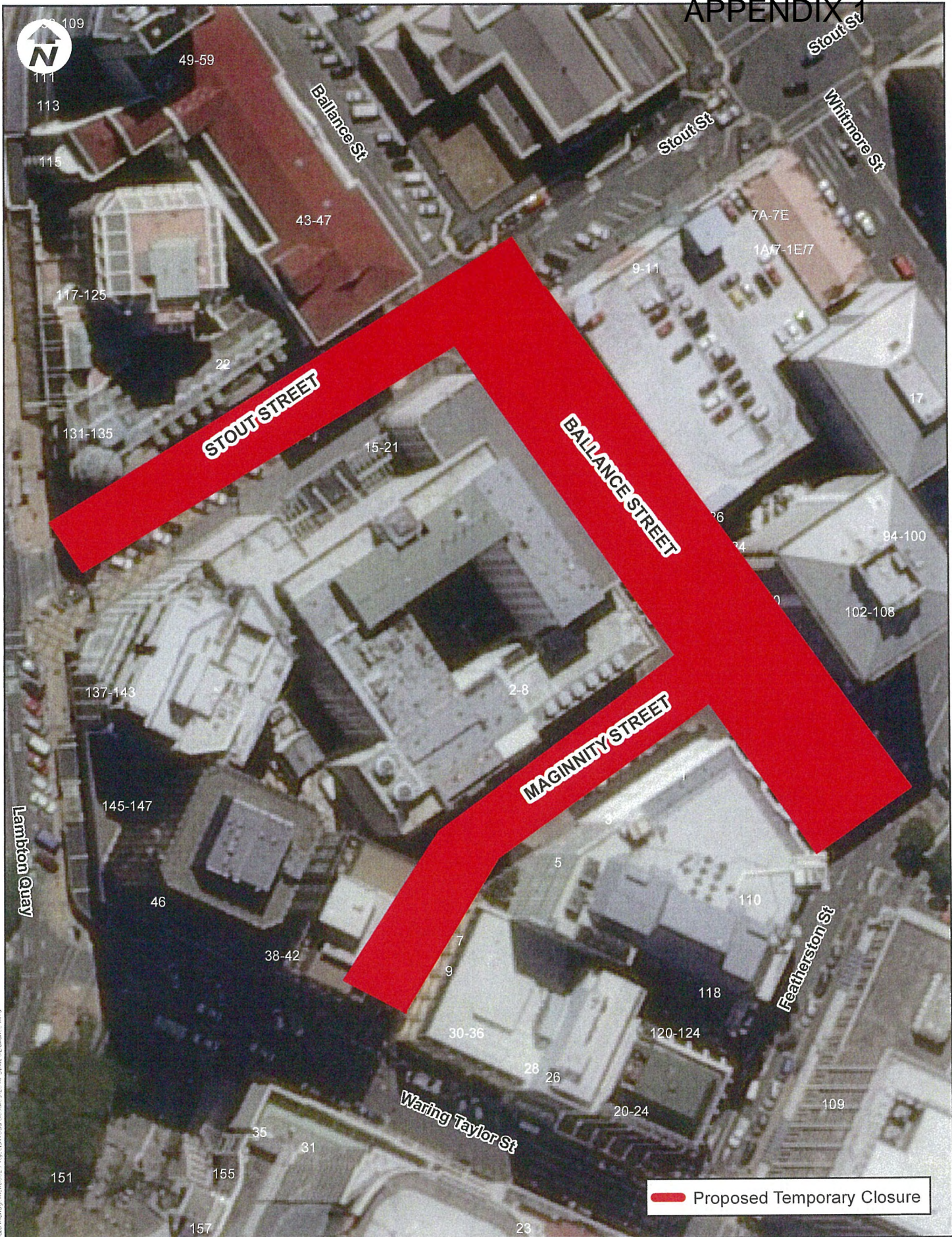
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# PROPOSED ROAD CLOSURES

Wellington City Council will meet on Thursday 14 November to consider the following proposed temporary road closures.

**Curious Films television commercial**

**Saturday 23 or Sunday 24 November 2013**

**(Saturday 30 November or Sunday 1 December weather contingency dates)**

**Aitken Street, Pipitea Street and Moturoa Street** – Residents and business tenants will have access between filming shots. Parking will be affected - More details to come in letter drops.

**Stout Street, Ballance Street and Maginnity Street:** 5–9.30am, Saturday 23 November or 5–10am, Sunday 24 November

Any person objecting to a proposed road closure must contact Wellington City Council in writing before 5pm Friday 8 November 2013.

Please send correspondence to Maria Taumaa at the mailing address below, by email to [maria.taumaa@wcc.govt.nz](mailto:maria.taumaa@wcc.govt.nz) or by fax to 801 3009.

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