
ORDINARY MEETING

OF

SAFER SPEEDS SUBCOMMITTEE

AGENDA

Time: 9:30am
Date: Wednesday, 5 August 2020
Venue: Ngake (16.09)
Level 16, Tahiwī
113 The Terrace
Wellington

MEMBERSHIP

Mayor Foster
Councillor Calvert
Councillor Condie (Chair)
Councillor Foon
Councillor Matthews (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Rush
Councillor Woolf
Councillor Young

Have your say!

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AREA OF FOCUS

The Safer Speeds Hearing Subcommittee is responsible for receiving submissions from the public on the proposed 30 km/h speed limit for the city centre.

Quorum: Five members.

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1. Meeting Conduct

1.1 Karakia

The Chairperson will open the meeting with a karakia.

Whakataka te hau ki te uru,	Cease oh winds of the west
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga.	and of the south
Kia mākinakina ki uta,	Let the bracing breezes flow,
Kia mātaratara ki tai.	over the land and the sea.
E hī ake ana te atākura.	Let the red-tipped dawn come
He tio, he huka, he hauhū.	with a sharpened edge, a touch of frost,
Tihei Mauri Ora!	a promise of a glorious day

At the appropriate time, the following karakia will be read to close the meeting.

Unuhia, unuhia, unuhia ki te uru tapu nui	Draw on, draw on
Kia wātea, kia māmā, te ngākau, te tinana,	Draw on the supreme sacredness
te wairua	To clear, to free the heart, the body
I te ara takatū	and the spirit of mankind
Koia rā e Rongo, whakairia ake ki runga	Oh Rongo, above (symbol of peace)
Kia wātea, kia wātea	Let this all be done in unity
Āe rā, kua wātea!	

1.2 Apologies

The Chairperson invites notice from members of apologies, including apologies for lateness and early departure from the meeting, where leave of absence has not previously been granted.

1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

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

1.4 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 June 2020 will be put to the Safer Speeds Hearings Subcommittee for confirmation.

1.5 Items not on the Agenda

The Chairperson will give notice of items not on the agenda as follows.

Matters Requiring Urgent Attention as Determined by Resolution of the Safer Speeds Hearings Subcommittee.

The Chairperson shall state to the meeting:

1. The reason why the item is not on the agenda; and
2. The reason why discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

The item may be allowed onto the agenda by resolution of the Safer Speeds Hearings Subcommittee.

Minor Matters relating to the General Business of the Safer Speeds Hearings Subcommittee.

The Chairperson shall state to the meeting that the item will be discussed, but no resolution, decision, or recommendation may be made in respect of the item except to refer it to a subsequent meeting of the Safer Speeds Hearings Subcommittee for further discussion.

1.6 Public Participation

A maximum of 60 minutes is set aside for public participation at the commencement of any meeting of the Council or committee that is open to the public. Under standing order 31.2 a written, oral or electronic application to address the meeting setting forth the subject, is required to be lodged with the Chief Executive by 12:00 noon of the working day prior to the meeting concerned, and subsequently approved by the Chairperson.

Requests for public participation can be sent by email to public.participation@wcc.govt.nz, by post to Democracy Services, Wellington City Council, PO Box 2199, Wellington, or by phone at 04 803 8334, giving the requester's name, phone number and the issue to be raised.

2. General Business

SAFER SPEEDS ORAL HEARINGS

Purpose

1. This report asks the Safer Speeds Hearings Subcommittee to recognise the speakers who will be speaking to their submissions regarding the Safer Speed Limits: Karori and Marsden Village Shopping Area consultation.

Recommendation/s

That the Safer Speeds Hearings Subcommittee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Hear the oral submitters and thank them for speaking to their submissions.

Background


2. The Safer Speeds Hearing Subcommittee Terms of Reference was updated by resolution of the Strategy and Policy Committee on 21 May 2020. This increased the delegation of the Subcommittee to hear all speed limit changes in Wellington City.
3. Wellington City Council consulted on the Safer Speed Limits: Karori and Marsden Village Shopping Area proposal between 29 May 2020 and 22 June 2020.
4. During the consultation, each submitter was asked if they would like to speak to their submission at a Subcommittee hearing.

Discussion

5. Attachment 1 is a list of the confirmed submitters who have indicated that they wish to speak to the Subcommittee, in speaking order.

Next Actions

6. Following the hearings, the Subcommittee will consider information received on the Safer Speeds consultation and make recommendations to the Strategy and Policy Committee.

AttachmentsAttachment 1. Speakers' Submissions [↓](#) 

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Engagement and Consultation

This report provides for a key stage of the consultation process – the opportunity for the public to speak to their written submission.

Treaty of Waitangi considerations

N/A

Financial implications

There are no financial implications arising from this report. Submitters may speak to matters that have financial implications.

Policy and legislative implications

There are no policy implications arising from this report. Submitters may speak to matters that have policy implications.

Risks / legal

N/A

Climate Change impact and considerations

There are no policy implications arising from this report. Submitters may speak to matters that have climate change implications.

Communications Plan

N/A

Health and Safety Impact considered

Participants are able to address the subcommittee either in person or via virtual meeting. Democracy Services staff have offered full assistance to submitters in case of any unfamiliarity with using Zoom.

Safer Speed Limits: Karori and Marsden Village Consultation **Submission # 114**

Name	On behalf of	Oral Submission
Patrick Morgan	Cycling Action Network	Yes

Do you support the proposal to lower speeds limits to 30km/h in the Karori shopping area?

Yes

Do you have any comments you wish to make about the speed limit proposal in Karori shopping area?

We deserve safe and attractive streets. Lowering operating speeds and speed limits on these streets will: - improve safety for all road users - encourage more people to walk and cycle, reducing car use - make Karori quieter and more pleasant - have little or no effect on vehicle journey times - be good for local businesses - reduce emissions, in line with WCC's Te Atakura "First to Zero" plans - be consistent with WCC's urban growth, walking and cycling policies and LGWM aims Changes to street design and layout are also needed, to signal that these are 30 kmh streets. A network of protected bike lanes is needed, especially on any streets not included in the 30 kmh plan. I note 508 people were injured or killed on Wellington City roads in 2018, up from 459 in 2017 and 365 in 2016.

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Submission # 90

Name	On behalf of	Oral Submission
David Marshall	An individual	Yes

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Submission # 247

Name	On behalf of	Oral Submission
Ellen Blake	Living Streets	Yes

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Yes

Do you have any comments you wish to make about the speed limit proposal in Karori shopping area?

We support the proposals for safer speed zones in Karori. Analysis of before and after data for the first ten suburban centres with 30km/h zones showed injury crashes reduced by 82%, with a 57% reduction in the social cost of crashes of around \$417,000 a year. This data clearly shows the benefit of safer speed zones. We commend the Council for the maps provided to support these proposals, they are clear and easy to understand. We are particularly pleased to see that the safer speed zones extend along side streets for a distance, this will help improve the walking experience for pedestrians - Chamberlain, Parkvale, Raine, Beauchamp and Campbell Streets. Living Streets supports extending the safer speed zone to include all of Karori Road from Marsden Village to the Karori Shopping area. This would improve safety for both Karori Normal School and Marsden College. This road is very busy and difficult to cross currently, usually meaning that primary school children need to be accompanied to help cross this road. Independent walking for school children is a key part of setting them up for a healthy future.

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and support the extension to the side streets in this area. Living Streets supports extending the safer speed zone to include all of Karori Road from Marsden Village to the Karori Shopping area. This would improve safety for both Karori Normal School and Marsden College. This road is very busy and difficult to cross currently, usually meaning that primary school children need to be accompanied to help cross this road. Independent walking for school children is a key part of setting them up for a healthy future.

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Submission # 211

Name	On behalf of	Oral Submission
William Richard Cunningham	An individual	Yes

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Yes

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Do you support the proposal to lower speeds limits to 30km/h in the Marsden Village shopping area?

Yes

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The proposed speed limit reduction should be extended further west along Karori Road past Hatton Street - to at least the crest of the hill opposite the 2 pedestrian entrances on/off Karori Road from Samuel Marsden School and Fancourt Street. New 30km/hr signage would be much more visible to traffic heading both East and West if placed at this point as it is the highest point and not obscured to traffic travelling east by the brow of the hill. Importantly - the 30km/hr zone must include the pedestrian crossing at the end of Fancourt St, opposite the entrance to Samuel Marsden School for obvious safety reasons. I have witnessed on numerous occasions near misses on this pedestrian crossing with both vehicles and cyclists narrowly missing pedestrians (adults as well as children)

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Submission # 61

Name	On behalf of	Oral Submission
Vaughan Crimmins	An individual	Yes

Do you support the proposal to lower speeds limits to 30km/h in the Karori shopping area?

Yes

Do you have any comments you wish to make about the speed limit proposal in Karori shopping area?

The section of Karori Rd from Lancaster St through to a point (25m) beyond the pedestrian crossing in front of St Teresa's Church should be 30km/h at all times. This section of road services 3 schools, Huntleigh Village (Elderly Residents), a day care centre, 3 churches where activities are happening through every day of the week, Doctor's and Dentist's rooms and all the businesses at Marsden Village and Karori Mall. Little point having a 50km/h for about 200m in between where there is a set of traffic lights and crossings for children going to and from school and adults attending functions at St Mary's, St Ninian's and St Teresa's Churches, and elderly folk from Huntleigh Village going shopping or walking plus daily visitors. The only time this would create some frustration would be after about 6.45/7.00pm when peak flow would have subsided and in the morning for those on the road prior to 6.45/7.00am. Policing may be an issue, but no more so than present practice when drivers regularly go through the red light at Marsden Village.

Do you support the proposal to lower speeds limits to 30km/h in the Marsden Village shopping area?

Yes

Do you have any comments you wish to make about the speed limit proposal in the Marsden Village shopping area?

As above

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Submission # 253

Name	On behalf of	Oral Submission
Gary Holmes	Karori Business Association	No

Do you support the proposal to lower speeds limits to 30km/h in the Karori shopping area?

Yes

Do you have any comments you wish to make about the speed limit proposal in Karori shopping area?

Having canvassed a number of our members, the Karori Business Association is supportive of the proposal as we recognise that reducing vehicle speeds will help to make the streets more pleasant and safer, and reduce the number and severity of injuries. We do however have one request of Council as part of this work to do with issues at the Campbell Road / Karori Street and the Beauchamp Street / Karori Road intersections. Due to the design and sightlines at these intersections, and because of the speed of traffic on Karori Road, drivers often find it difficult to exit from these intersections and turn right into Karori Road. The reduction in speed might help alleviate this a little but we would like Council to look at what other options there might be at these intersections to increase visibility and make it safer for right turning traffic (ie: hatched markings on the road, re-alignment of road markings). When the Karori Town Centre upgrade work was done in 2005, we understand that one option that was raised as a possibility for the Campbell Street / Karori Road intersection was the introduction of traffic lights, although we acknowledge that option could cause more problems than it solves as it very close to another set of traffic lights.

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Submission # 55

Name	On behalf of	Oral Submission
Lee Clements	An individual	Yes

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Do you support the proposal to lower speeds limits to 30km/h in the Marsden Village shopping area?

Yes

Do you have any comments you wish to make about the speed limit proposal in the Marsden Village shopping area?

There are many school children crossing the road at the lights and pedestrian crossing. I have personal had two remonstrations with speeding drivers who speed up to the pedestrian crossing from the lights, scaring children. Also many drivers race through both pedestrian crossing and lights. Why is it 50? Does it take a child to be killed or elderly before a decision is made. What necessitates a speed of 50 in a large family suburb? Has covid-19 not shown us how to live, with calmness, kindness and to slow down. It's too dangerous to let kids on bikes due to speeders, dropping the limit will force a slow down and better behavior in general. Cheers, Lee

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Submission # 161

Name	On behalf of	Oral Submission
Jo Goudie	An individual	Yes

Do you support the proposal to lower speeds limits to 30km/h in the Karori shopping area?

Yes

Do you have any comments you wish to make about the speed limit proposal in Karori shopping area?

To reduce the impact of unforeseen consequences, I'd petition that the limit is also lowered on Friend St. This is already used as a short-cut during traffic delays, has some judder bars, yet has a 50km limit.

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Submission # 82

Name	On behalf of	Oral Submission
Alex Jarman	An individual	Yes

Do you support the proposal to lower speeds limits to 30km/h in the Karori shopping area?

Yes

Do you have any comments you wish to make about the speed limit proposal in Karori shopping area?

Please extend the speed limit along Parkvale rd to the intersection with Samuel Parnell / Friend st. Ideally add judders bars as the traffic speeds along Parkvale Rd, especially with the pub on the street. Thurs and Fri nights can be hazardous with people having one too many and then driving. Change crossing signal on Karori and Parkvale Rd. Turning right into Parkvale, off Karori Rd, sunstrike can block sight lines in the afternoon. Perhaps add dedicated right turn lane and light here? Add a speed camera at the start of the Mall heading into Karori. This will help to prevent accidents at the lights as many cars go through amber (sometimes red) lights. Many children dart across the street and elderly residents can be slow.

Do you support the proposal to lower speeds limits to 30km/h in the Marsden Village shopping area?

Yes

Do you have any comments you wish to make about the speed limit proposal in the Marsden Village shopping area?

Shorten the wait for the Marsden pedestrian crossing outside Ming Du, Four Sq, Clothes shop to provide more regular, more frequent green crossing signals. Currently the wait is too long, this means people cross outside One Fat Bird - ok if they're agile but not if they're elderly.