

# Discussion Document

25 January 2019

## Martinborough Bus Stops for Arrivals

This document is intended to start discussion on providing the best possible service for arriving passengers on buses from Featherston Station. In no way should this document be considered to be a proposal.

### The Environment

The biggest change to the Martinborough environment has been the development of the Waihinga Centre. The centre is functioning well for locals as a hub with the facilities they need and access to services they might not have previously used in the i-SITE Visitor Centre and spaces like the town square.

The centre is working well for visitors too. Many visitors need the Waihinga Centre to be the starting point of their time in the area given that this is where the i-SITE Visitor Centre and public toilets are located.

### Arriving Bus Stop

The bus service from Featherston Station currently stops in Kitchener Street near where the old i-SITE Visitor Centre was.

Visitors disembark and walk through Martinborough.

Visitors may know where they want to go and what they want to do. If not then the service they need is in the Waihinga Centre on the other side of the square.

### Discussion

- Is the current bus stop arrangement for arriving visitors suitable?
- Should the bus stop be at the Waihinga Centre and i-SITE Visitor Centre?
  - Would this be in keeping with the intention of the Waihinga Centre being a central point of activity?
- Should there be more than one bus stop for arriving visitors?
- Should visitors wander their way through town and then find the i-SITE Visitor Centre for additional information. Or should the i-SITE be the starting point in case they need it.
- The Waihinga Centre and surrounds is the area for public toilets. Are toilets an important starting point after travel and before anything else happens?
- Partners to engage in the discussion apart from Tranzit and Destination Wairarapa?

David Hancock  
General Manager  
Destination Wairarapa



## **PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN CHANGE 10 – UPDATE OF THE NOTABLE TREE REGISTER**

### **What is the current status of the Plan Change?**

Further to Hans van Kretgen's meetings with community boards in July 2017, the Planning Office at South Wairarapa District Council is working on a project to update the Notable Tree Register that forms part of the Wairarapa Combined District Plan.

In December 2018, Council gave approval to the Planning Office to begin a 4-step Statutory Plan Change process around the Notable Tree register (see below). This involves notifying the community of the proposal, receiving submissions and holding a hearing if need be. The initial public consultation phase is planned to be launched at the end of February 2019.

It is estimated this will take up to 8 months, finishing October 2019. At this stage, we want to give Community Board members a general heads up prior to the public notification, field any questions or comments.

### **What is the timeline for the Plan Change?**

- Step 1 – February/ March notification of the updated tree register
- Step 2 – April/ May/ June summarise initial submissions and call for further submissions
- Step 3 – July/ Aug officers report and hearing
- Step 4 – Sept/ October notify decision and appeal period

### **What is the Notable Tree Register?**

The Register of Notable Trees is Appendix 1.4 of the Wairarapa Combined District Plan. The District Plan manages the activities of people in a way that benefits the land, wider environment, and the community.

District councils use Notable Tree lists or registers to keep a record of what trees are deemed worthy of protection, and where they are located. The Register provides certainty to landowners, and all other District Plan users about what (if any) trees are protected on a given site.

The Register is currently five-pages listing 92 tree registrations. Each registration has a unique reference number alongside details of the tree, such as species, postal address and a map reference.

### **What is the proposed change?**

The purpose of this Plan Change (#10) is to ensure Appendix 1.4 is up to date and relevant for the District.

The overall approach to tree protection within the District Plan is not proposed to change. The objectives and policies related to Notable Trees also remain unchanged.

### **How can the community boards help?**

We are inviting Community Boards to consider how they might be able to support Council messaging around the notification of the Plan Change. For example, assisting the public through general awareness and education of the Plan Change process and to encourage the community to have an input.

### **Who do I contact to find out further information?**

Council Planner Louis Brown is the project manager. He can answer detailed questions on the telephone on 06 306 9611 extension 812 or email him on [lou.brown@swdc.govt.nz](mailto:lou.brown@swdc.govt.nz). He can provide you with all the background information on the project so far.

MCB Tabbed 31 Jan 18

- Kitchener Street travelling from 100km zone towards the Square
1. LHS by Martinborough Substation
  2. RHS opposite 72 Kitchener Street, before Nga Waka on left
  3. RHS opposite Tiwaiwaka
  4. RHS 53 Kitchener Street
  5. RHS outside Oak House
  6. RHS cnr Princess and Kitchener
  7. LHS opposite 33 Kitchener
  8. RHS corner Panama and Kitchener
  9. RHS between 23 and 21 Kitchener
  10. LHS corner Broadway 18 Kitchener
  11. RHS corner Kitchener and Square outside Martinborough Hotel
  12. Texas Street LHS outside Fire Station / St Johns
  13. Texas Street LHS towards Strassbourg corner
  14. Kitchener Street LHS outside Ventana
  15. Kitchener Street RHS bus stop on corner of Ohio

