

Team responses for Vista Place and Roystone Way – Proposed access restrictions August 2017

FEEDBACK	TEAM RESPONSE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How will this restriction be enforced?</li> <li>• Support and regular patrols by police will be needed, as not everyone will adhere to instructions on a sign.</li> <li>• Are the Police prepared to do anything if the ban is not honoured, and if so how quickly?</li> </ul>	<p>The proposed restrictions support the ability of the New Zealand Police to take enforcement action on anti-social road use in this area. The NZ Police also noted that enforcement is dependent on available Police resource at the time given other high priority and high risk call outs.</p>
<p>\$750 fine will not be a sufficient deterrent</p>	<p>Council can't set an infringement fee higher than \$750. This is because this is the maximum amount which is set out in Schedule 1 of the Land Transport (Offences and Penalties) Regulations 1999 and Council don't have a discretion as to the maximum amount.</p> <p>The Council could potentially set a lesser infringement fee but it could only do this by way of a bylaw amendment.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speed of traffic travelling up Huntsbury Hill to reach this 'venue'.</li> <li>• I think it should be combined with a 40km/hr speed limit on the hill, and enforce this.</li> </ul>	<p>Any change to the existing speed limit on Huntsbury Ave or any other streets in the area is outside the scope of this project. Comments noted regarding exiting speeds on Huntsbury Ave, council area engineer has included this site on programme to visit and assess current speeds. High recorded speeds can be passed onto Police to consider enforcement action.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moving youths from Vista Place will just displace them somewhere else.</li> <li>• Maybe all cul-de-sacs should be consider to prevent these people moving from one area to another</li> <li>• The existing bans have proven to be ineffective in stopping the problem, it only shifts it onto other areas (likely a more populated area.)</li> </ul>	<p>It is possible that the anti-social problem may move elsewhere in the immediate area. Vista Place is susceptible to the type of behaviour reported, due to the available parking at the cul-de-sac head, the view and relatively low number of properties fronting directly onto Vista Place. It is less likely that the type of reported behaviour will continue on surrounding streets due to the proximity of residential properties to the street frontage. However if the problem does move, it will have to be addressed as a separate issue.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Additional lighting and security cameras would help all of this and rethinking the road layout and limiting parking space.</li> <li>• We feel that some structural alterations to Vista Place in particular are necessary to make it less suitable for high speed burnouts etc.</li> </ul>	<p>The existing lighting on Vista Pl has been assessed as adequate for the road environment. The only planned changes to lighting is changing the existing luminaries to LED lights. There is a programme of works across the city with priority given to high volume and high risk routes.</p> <p>Council have no funding for local traffic calming schemes in the current 10 year plan, any potential schemes for local traffic calming improvements are added to a database and prioritised against similar schemes across the city. The current neighbourhood improvement database gives priority to roads with high recorded speeds and traffic volumes, it is unlikely that local traffic calming improvement on Vista Pl would rank high on this list. Operations also have funding available for local safety improvements and pedestrian accessibility schemes, Vista Place does not meet the criteria for this funding either.</p>

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	Traffic calming measures such as speed humps may only encourage anti-social road use and increase noise as vehicles accelerate and brake heavily between speed humps.
The proposed time restrictions although a good start do not cover a great enough time span, 9pm to 7am would be perhaps more sensible.	The recommended time from 10pm to 5am aims to capture the majority of any antisocial behaviour without unduly restricting access to people that have a genuine reason for being in Vista Place. These hours are consistent with Councils policy and other restrictions in place across the city.
More, larger rubbish bins would hopefully help reduce the rubbish dumped overnight - each night.	These restrictions will hopefully deter the anti-social behaviour, resulting in reduced rubbish.
The description of 'bonafide visitors' may be a loophole if the activity is actually being initiated by a resident of those streets, inviting their friends to congregate there.	The term bonafide visitor means a person visiting an owner or occupier of the street. The Police may ask questions of a person potentially breaching the restriction to ascertain who they are on the street.
There are a number of antisocial people who frequent the area. But there are a larger number who just come to quietly sit, talk and enjoy the view. Our concern is that those people will be asked to move on, or worse given a fine. How can we ensure that those policing the area won't use good judgement?	The restrictions prevent non-residents from driving along the streets during the hours of the restrictions. People remain able to walk and cycle the street during the hours of the restrictions.