Banks Peninsula speed review

Analysis of feedback

Overview

We worked with Waka Kotahi on this speed review. We used our joint resources to advise people on the consultation.

Consultation was open from 3 November to 3 December 2021

We sent an email to 101 stakeholders and 221 submitters who had commented on our previous Banks Peninsula speed review.

We sent a copy of the consultation document to:

- o Diamond Harbour Library
- o Akaroa Library
- o Little River Service Centre
- Lyttelton Service Centre
- o Te Hapua Halswell Service Centre

We put the consultation on our Have Your Say page with a link to the Waka Kotahi consultation page. Submitters were able to make comments on our Have Your Say page or use the interactive map on the Waka Kotahi webpage.

We used social media to advertise the consultation. We posted on local pages;

- Lyttelton
- o Little River
- o Akaroa

There was a Newsline story and press releases about the consultation.

We emailed 36 key stakeholders, including emergency services, local schools and resident groups. We also emailed 102 submitters of the previous speed reviews in the Peninsula.

A mention of local roads made up a very small percentage of total responses. Despite the information provided there was a clear misconception that the speed limit proposals on the State Highways were Council's proposals and not Waka Kotahi.

Feedback received

The majority of the feedback came through Social PinPoint which was hosted on the Waka Kotahi webpage (395). They also received emails and hardcopy forms.

Between us and Waka Kotahi there was a total of 670 comments and suggestions.

Have your say – Key themes

We received 50 submissions via our Have Your Say page. We heard from two cycling advocacy groups, Spokes and CAN (Cycling Action Network).

Main comments made by submitters were:

• The majority of the feedback commented on the state highways (30)

- General comments on all the roads in the area (12)
- Supported the new speeds on the local roads (1)
- Support for lowering the speed in Takamatua which included Takamatua Bay Road (1) and Takamatua Valley Road (2)
- Out of area requests; Summit Road, Pigeon Bay and Evans Pass (3)

Social PinPoint

A total of 395 comments and suggestions were received via Social PinPoint.

A small number commented on the local roads (24). The majority of these submitters supported the speed reduction (19).

Key themes for local roads

- Lower the speeds further (3)
- Poor condition of the roads need to be addressed first (1)

A significant proportion contained opinion and views on changing speed limits, comments around road improvements, driver behaviour, driver education and enforcement.

Other feedback

Feedback received relating to proposed highway speed limits on SH73/75 and SH74 included:

- 214 Email submissions
- 11 hardcopy submission forms

Organisations

- SPOKES "would like the lower speeds extended to Summit Rd and all roads that connect to it"
- AA "we would also support a maximum 80 kph on all Banks Peninsula routes. We agree that most Banks Peninsula roads are not up to a 100mph (sic) standard and probably will not be upgraded in the foreseeable future.
- Brake (road safety charity with global interests, and branches in the UK and New Zealand.)
 "Brake broadly supports the proposed speed limit changes, lowering speed limit to reduce road deaths and injuries on these routes".

Key themes

There were comments on the local roads (4)

- Support of the new speeds (2)
 - "I agree with the proposed speed limits as set out in the Christchurch- Akaroa and surrounds table and wish it was extended to include the entire peninsula are (sic) roads accessing it such as Evans Pass, etc.
 - ° "I am 100% supportive of lowering speed limits in this area."
- Submitters thought the new speeds they were too slow and drivers would get confused with all the higher speeds on the adjoining roads (2)

- "The roads that come off SH75 between Christchurch and Little River (Prices Valley, Kaituna Valley etc. do not appear to be subject to the same reduction. This will lead to confusion in perceived hierarchy and possibly poor judgement decisions where the lower grade of local road will have a higher speed limit than the adjoining state highway". Staff response: The side roads are proposed to be the same as the State Highway or lower.
- "I am against the proposed speed limit changes to decreasing the speed limit to 80 km on SH75/73 and Kaituna Valley Rd. How many fatal accidents were on the Kaituna Valley Road in the last 10 years? 60 km/h on Kaituna Valley Road is like being in a nanny state".