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**Minutes of a meeting of the Nelson City Council to Hear  
Submissions to the Speed Limits Bylaw Amendment 2013**

**Held in the Council Chamber, Civic House, Trafalgar Street, Nelson**

**On Tuesday 16 July 2013, commencing at 9.02am**

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Present: Councillors A Boswijk (Chairperson), I Barker, G Collingwood, E Davy, K Fulton, J Rackley, P Rainey, R Reese, D Shaw, and M Ward

In Attendance: Chief Executive (C Hadley), Executive Manager Support Services and Acting Executive Manager Community Services (H Kettlewell), Executive Manager Strategy and Planning (M Schruer), Executive Manager Network Services (A Louverdis), Executive Manager Regulatory (R Johnson), Executive Manager Kaihautū/Community Relations (G Mullen), Manager Community Relations (A Ricker), Manager Administration (P Langley), Principal Adviser Transport and Roading (R Palmer), Policy Adviser (P Harrington), and Administration Adviser (L Laird)

Apology: His Worship the Mayor (A Miccio), and Councillors R Copeland and P Matheson

**1. Apologies**

Resolved

***THAT* apologies be received and accepted from His Worship the Mayor, and Councillors Copeland and Matheson.**

Boswijk/Davy

Carried

**2. Interests**

There were no updates to the Interests Register, and no conflicts of interest with any agenda items were declared.

**3. Confirmation of Order of Business**

There was no change to the order of business.

#### **4. Submissions to the Speed Limits Bylaw Amendment**

Document numbers 1540020, 1540002 and 1523386

##### **4.1 Angelina Bryant**

The submitter spoke in support of the proposed variable speed zones and in general supported any measures to improve pedestrian safety in areas with schools and kindergartens.

##### **4.2 Angelina Bryant and Joy Shackleton (Tahunanui Community Centre Inc)**

The submitters spoke on behalf of the Tahunanui Community Centre, in support of the proposed variable speed zone on Tahunanui Drive.

The submitters also noted the decrease in parking in the area, and said that since the School's car park had closed, more parents were using car park spaces at the Community Centre and the Kindergarten.

In response to a question, the submitters said the School had regular walk to school days.

##### **4.3 Joy Shackleton**

Ms Shackleton re-iterated the comments made in previous submissions about the pressure on car parking in the area. She spoke in support of all measures to increase safety in the area around Tahunanui School.

Ms Shackleton said, in her opinion, there was a need for more safe crossings to the School.

In response to a question, Ms Shackleton said the flashing lights on Centennial Road/Rawhiti Street were not as obvious as those on Muritai Street, and if they were they would make people aware of the variable speed zone at an earlier opportunity.

##### **4.4 Nelson Youth Councillors**

Youth Councillors spoke in support of all proposed amendments to the Bylaw. In particular, they asked the Council to consider improving the crossing on Van Diemen Street adjacent to the pedestrian exit from Fairfield Park. The submitters said the traffic moves quickly along this part of the road.

In response to a question, the submitters said many students from both Girls and Boys College cross the road at this point to access each school.

##### **4.5 Craig Welsh**

Mr Welsh spoke in support of the proposed changes to the speed limits on Tahunanui Drive. He said safety improvements were required at the intersection of Tamaki Street and Tahunanui Drive.

4.6 Kendall Wills

Mr Wills spoke on behalf of the submission from Rutherford Street Kindergarten. He said the Kindergarten has asked Council to consider the addition of part of Rutherford Street to the Bylaw.

He said traffic on Rutherford Street was often heavy, particularly around pick-up and drop-off times for parents.

4.7 Bill Revell

Mr Revell spoke about the impacts of the proposed amendment on the streetscape value of the city. He said creating variable speed zones around schools resulted in the erection of many signs, and it appeared there had been a proliferation of signage and road-works across the city in general.

It was the opinion of Mr Revell that this degraded the streetscape value of the city. Mr Revell said he did support safety around schools but asked the Council to approach safety issues bearing in mind the affect on streetscape. He suggested the Council consider a lower speed generally through areas that have schools.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.44am.

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings:

\_\_\_\_\_ Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ Date