

Agenda

Rangiora-Ashley Community Board

Wednesday 9 November 2022

7pm

Council Chamber
215 High Street
Rangiora

Members:

Jim Gerard (Chairperson)

Kirstyn Barnett (Deputy Chairperson)

Robbie Brine

Ivan Campbell

Murray Clarke

Monique Fleming

Jason Goldsworthy

Liz McClure

Bruce McLaren

Joan Ward

Steve Wilkinson

Paul Williams

AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE RANGIORA-ASHLEY COMMUNITY BOARD TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 215 HIGH STREET, RANGIORA ON WEDNESDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2022 AT 7PM.

RECOMMENDATIONS IN REPORTS ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS
COUNCIL POLICY UNTIL ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL

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3.1.	<u>Minutes of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board – 27 October 2022</u>	6-18
	<i>RECOMMENDATION</i>	
	THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:	
	(a) Confirms , as a true and accurate record, the circulated Minutes of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board meeting, held on 27 October 2022.	
3.2.	<u>Matters Arising</u>	
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	Nil.	
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	Nil.	
6.	<u>REPORTS</u>	
6.1.	<u>Kippenberger Avenue Landscape Plan and Tree Replacement – Grant MacLeod (Community Greenspace Manager) and Shane Binder (Transportation Engineer)</u>	19-22
	<i>RECOMMENDATION</i>	
	THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:	
	(a) Receives Report No.221027187090.	
	(b) Approves the removal and replacement of the current trees as per landscape plan.	
	(c) Approves the Development Concept Plan as presented in the Kippenberger Avenue Development Concept Plan TRIM (221027187456).	

- (d) **Approves** the location of the Kippenberger Memorial located in front of 8 Kippenberger Avenue as shown in Kippenberger Avenue Development Concept Plan TRIM (221027187456).
- (e) **Notes** that the design for the Kippenberger Memorial will be submitted to the Rangiora Ashley Community Board for approval in 2023. Budget will need to be sought for the final design of this memorial.
- (f) **Notes** that the current trees are Ash and will be replaced like for like at a spacing of approximately 20 metres to match the trees on the southern side of Kippenberger Avenue.
- (g) **Notes** that with the undergrounding of the power lines, the new trees would not be subject to Mainpower maintenance and therefore would be able to reach a healthy specimen standard compared with the unhealthy trees that are currently on Kippenberger Avenue.
- (h) **Notes** Council staff have been informed that there is no underground services present where the trees are proposed to be planted, this is important for the overall health of any new tree.
- (i) **Notes** that Bellgrove is responsible for the following budgetary items – Undergrounding of the power lines, 50/50 cost share with Greenspace for the tree removal.
- (j) **Notes** that Council Staff would be responsible for the following budgetary items – 50/50 cost share with Bellgrove for the tree removal, funding of the replacement trees.
- (k) **Notes** that the plan has a total of 21 car parks provided on the north side of Kippenberger Avenue with this plan of which 17 are in front of the Bellgrove development.
- (l) **Notes** formal engagement by the Council has not been undertaken as this has been a process led through the Environmental Protection Authority system.
- (m) **Notes** that clear communications to the public will be required and should be led by Council on the removal and replacement program.
- (n) **Notes** that trees will only be removed if agreement is reached with Bellgrove on replacement. No trees outside of this agreement will be removed without budget available for replacement.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

8. **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

Nil.

9. **MATTERS FOR INFORMATION**

- 9.1. **Oxford-Ohoka Community Board Meeting Minutes 7 September 2022.**
- 9.2. **Woodend-Sefton Community Board Meeting Minutes 12 September 2022.**
- 9.3. **Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board Meeting Minutes 19 September 2022.**
- 9.4. **Three Waters Reform - Transition Support Package Agreement with Dept of Internal Affairs – Report to Council Meeting 6 September 2022 – circulates to All Boards.**

- 9.5. District Regeneration - Annual Progress Report to June 2022 – Report to Council Meeting 6 September 2022 – circulates to All Boards.
- 9.6. July 2022 Flood Response - Emergency and Immediate Works Expenditure – Report to Council meeting 6 September 2022 – Circulates to All Boards.
- 9.7. Adoption of Policy - Briefings and Workshops – Report to Council meeting 6 September 2022 – circulates to All Boards.
- 9.8. Summary of Discretionary Grant Accountability 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 – Report to Oxford-Ohoka Community Board Meeting 7 September 2022 – Circulates to Woodend-Sefton, Rangiora-Ashley and Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Boards.
- 9.9. Summary of Discretionary Grant Accountability 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2021 – Report to Woodend-Sefton Community Board Meeting 12 September 2022 – Circulates to Oxford-Ohoka, Rangiora-Ashley and Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Boards.
- 9.10. Summary of Discretionary Grant Accountability 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 – Report to Kaiapoi-Tuahiwi Community Board Meeting 19 September 2022 – circulates to Oxford-Ohoka, Woodend-Sefton and Rangiora-Ashley Community Boards.
- 9.11. Aquatics September Update – Report to Community and Recreation Committee Meeting 20 September 2022 – circulates to All Boards.
- 9.12. Library update to 8 September – Report to Community and Recreation Committee Meeting 20 September 2022 – circulates to All Boards.
- 9.13. Annual Report to the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority 2022 – Report to District Planning and Regulation Committee Meeting 20 September 2022 – circulates to All Boards
- 9.14. Analysis of Recent Reports Covering Regional Water Quality Trends and Issues – Report to Land and Water Committee Meeting 27 September 2022 – circulates to All Boards
- 9.15. Solid Waste Services and Waste Data Update for 2021/22 – Report to Utilities and Rooding Committee Meeting 27 September 2022 – circulates to All Boards
- 9.16. 2021-2022 Flood Recovery: September Update – Report to Utilities and Rooding Committee Meeting 27 September 2022 – circulates to All Boards
- 9.17. Eastern Districts Sewer Scheme and Oxford Wastewater Treatment Plant Annual Compliance Monitoring Reports 2021 – 2022 – Report to Utilities and Rooding Committee Meeting 27 September 2022 – circulates to All Boards
- 9.18. Southbrook School Travel Plan – Report to Utilities and Rooding Committee Meeting 27 September 2022 – circulates to Rangiora-Ashley Community Board
- 9.19. Approval of Detailed Design – Southbrook / Torlesse Street Traffic Signals – Report to Utilities and Rooding Committee Meeting 27 September 2022 – circulates to Rangiora-Ashley Community Board
- 9.20. Approval of the Transportation Procurement Strategy – Report to Council Meeting 4 October 2022 – circulates to All Boards
- 9.21. July 2022 Flood Response – Forecast Costs and Funding Sources – Report to Council Meeting 4 October 2022 – circulates to All Boards
- 9.22. Submissions: Water Services Entity Bill, Proposed National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity, and ME 1669 Discussion Document: Managing Wetlands in the CMA – Report to Council Meeting 4 October 2022 – circulates to All Boards

9.23. **Health, Safety and Wellbeing Report September 2022 – Report to Council Meeting 4 October 2022 – circulates to All Boards**

9.24. **Council meeting schedule – Report to Council Meeting 27 October 2022 – circulates to All Boards**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

(a) **Receives** the information in Items 9.1 to 9.24.

Note:

1. *The links for Matters for Information were circulated separately to members.*

10. MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

The purpose of this exchange is to provide a short update to other members in relation to activities/meetings that have been attended or to provide general Board related information.

11. CONSULTATION PROJECTS

Nil.

12. BOARD FUNDING UPDATE

12.1. Board Discretionary Grant

Balance as at 31 October 2022: \$18,069.

12.2. General Landscaping Fund

Carryover from 2020/21: \$1,580.

Allocation for 2021/22: \$25,430.

Balance as at 31 October 2022: \$27,010.

13. MEDIA ITEMS

14. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

15. URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board is scheduled for 7pm, Wednesday 14 December 2022.

Workshop

- *Landscaping Budget – Grant Stephens (Design and Planning Team Leader)*
- *Projects of Interest – Simon Hart (General Manager Strategy, Engagement and Economic Development)*
- *Members Forum*

MINUTES OF THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE RANGIORA-ASHLEY COMMUNITY BOARD HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 215 HIGH STREET, RANGIORA, ON THURSDAY, 27 OCTOBER, AT 11AM.

PRESENT:

J Gerard (Chairperson) K Barnett (Deputy Chairperson), R Brine, I Campbell, M Clarke, L McClure, B McLaren, M Fleming, J Gerard, J Goldsworthy, J Ward, S Wilkinson, and P Williams.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor D Gordon, Deputy Mayor N Atkinson, and Councillor P Redmond.

J Millward (Acting Chief Executive), S Hart (General Manager, Strategy, Engagement and Economic Development), T Kunkel (Governance Team Leader) and E Stubbs (Governance Support Officer).

Seven members of the public were in attendance.

At the commencement of the meeting, the Acting Chief Executive, J Millward, took the Chair and welcomed the newly elected Board members and the members of the public to the inaugural meeting of the third term of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board. A special word of welcome was extended to the Mayor, Dan Gordon.

1 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

3 BOARD MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS

3.1 Local Government Act 2002 - Schedule 7 – Clause 14: Declaration by Member

The Chief Executive invited the Board members to read and sign declaration forms as required in terms of Clause 14 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act, 2002:

- Kirstyn Barnett
- Robbie Brine
- Ivan Campbell
- Murray Clarke
- Liz McClure
- Bruce McLaren
- Monique Fleming
- Jim Gerard Q.S.O
- Jason Goldsworthy
- Joan Ward
- Steve Wilkinson
- Paul Williams

4 REPORTS

4.1 Appointment of Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson – K Rabe (Governance Advisor)

J Millward introduced the report and explained the process for the Chair and Deputy Chair election process.

Moved: J Ward

Seconded: K Barnett

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** Report No: 220726126367.
- (b) **Resolves** to call for nominations of Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson and uses system (A) for voting in the event of more than one member being nominated.

CARRIED

Moved: J Ward

Seconded: K Barnett

- (c) **Appoints** Board Member Jim Gerard as Chairperson of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board to take immediate effect from 27 October 2022 until the end of the 2022-25 triennial term in October 2025.
- (d) **Notes** Remuneration would be appropriately adjusted for the Chairperson from 28 October 2022.

CARRIED

The Acting Chief Executive then vacated the Chair in favour of the elected Chairperson, J Gerard.

J Gerard thanked the Board for electing him as Chairperson and looked forward to a term of cooperation for the betterment of the Rangiora-Ashley community.

J Gerard then called for nominations for the position of Deputy Chairperson.

Moved: P Williams

Seconded: S Wilkinson

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (e) **Appoints** Board Member Kirstyn Barnett as Deputy Chairperson of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board to take immediate effect from 27 October 2022 until the end of the 2022-25 triennial term in October 2025.

CARRIED

4.2 **Local Government Act - First Meeting following the Triennial General Election Requirements – J Millward (Acting Chief Executive)**

S Hart took the report as read.

Moved: P Williams

Seconded: R Brine

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** report No 220726126459.
- (b) **Receives** legislative material that had been circulated.

CARRIED

4.3 **Elected Member Code of Conduct and Standing Orders – S Nichols (Governance Manager)**

T Kunkel spoke to the report, noting that the Standing Orders and Code of Conduct from the previous Board were still operative. The Code of Conduct and Standing Orders would be reviewed and brought to the Board for consideration in December 2022.

Moved: J Goldsworthy

Seconded: J Ward

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** report No. 220727127524.
- (b) **Receives** the 2022 Elected Members Code of Conduct document (Trim 190625089193).
- (c) **Receives** the 2022 Community Board Standing Orders (Trim 201007134141).
- (d) **Notes** that both the Code of Conduct and Standing Orders would be reviewed by the Board at its December 2022 meeting.

CARRIED

4.4 **Rangiora-Ashley Community Board's meeting dates from October 2022 to December 2023 – Kay Rabe (Governance Advisor)**

Moved: K Barnett

Seconded: J Ward

THAT the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board:

- (a) **Receives** report No. 220726126479.
- (b) **Resolves** to hold Community Board meetings at the Council Chambers at the Rangiora Service Centre, 215 High Street, Rangiora, commencing at 7pm, on the following dates:
 - 9 November 2022
 - 14 December 2022
 - 15 February 2023*
 - 8 March 2023
 - 12 April 2023
 - 10 May 2023
 - 14 June 2023

- 12 July 2023
- 9 August 2023
- 13 September 2023
- 11 October 2023
- 8 November 2023
- 13 December 2023

* Noting the February 2023 meeting is the third Wednesday of the month due to the Council budget meeting scheduled.

CARRIED

5 QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

Nil.

6 URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

Nil.

NEXT MEETING

The first ordinary meeting of the Rangiora-Ashley Community Board was scheduled for 7pm, Wednesday, 9 November 2022, in the Council Chambers at the Rangiora Service Centre.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS CLOSED AT 11.20am.

CONFIRMED

Chairperson

Date

WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL**REPORT FOR DECISION**

FILE NO and TRIM NO: RES-08 TRIM:221027187090

REPORT TO: RANGIORA ASHLEY COMMUNITY BOARD

DATE OF MEETING: 9 November 2022

AUTHOR(S): Grant MacLeod (Greenspace Manager) & Shane Binder (Transport Engineer)

SUBJECT: Kippenberger Avenue Landscape plan and tree replacement

ENDORSED BY:
(for Reports to Council, Committees or Boards)



General Manager



Acting Chief Executive

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1. This report is asking for approval from the Rangiora Ashley Community Board (RACB) to endorse a tree replacement project for Kippenberger Avenue that is required prior to the undergrounding of the power lines on the north side of the road. This report includes the recommended design (including car parking), tree species to be used and the location of the memorial to Sir Howard Karl Kippenberger.
- 1.2. The topic of the removal of the unhealthy trees along Kippenberger Avenue was discussed with the RACB at a workshop on 13 April 2022. There was general acceptance that the trees would need to be removed for both condition reasons and to support the undergrounding of the power lines. Staff also outlined to the RACB that this would assist in creating a higher amenity corridor as people entered into Rangiora. The trees in their current condition also does not meet the level of amenity that a memorial planting should and in honour of Sir Howard Karl Kippenberger.
- 1.3. Staff have been working prior to the Bellgrove development on longer term plans for Kippenberger Avenue as a main entrance to Rangiora township. This has included development of a plan for the memorial for Kippenberger as well as replacement of the current trees. The condition of the trees has been hampered during their life span due to the presence of the overhead power lines. In situations such as this, Mainpower has the right to trim or maintain trees to protect the power lines. As seen in the pictures in section 3 of this report, the works has impacted the trees as a feature of the avenue. The severity of the cutting back has also limited the growth of the trees and has left them in a state of not being able to reach specimen status and being unhealthy. It is envisaged that with the replacement of the trees and the undergrounding, the trees will have a much greater opportunity to reach specimen status and add to the vision for RACB on the main entrances projects it has been funding for some years i.e. Lineside Road entrance.
- 1.4. The replacement project is contingent on the undergrounding of the power lines through this stretch of Kippenberger Avenue, which is going to be undertaken by Bellgrove development. The removal of the current trees on the north side of the road between houses 52 and 96 (as identified in **attachment i**) is required to enable this works to be completed. As part of this works, it is intended to replace the removed trees with like for like species (Ash) in a 20 metre gap formation that mirrors the south side of Kippenberger Avenue.
- 1.5. The removal and replacement program is being driven by the Bellgrove subdivision/plan change and the directives that the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) has placed on that application. However this is a timely intervention given the discussion as noted in 1.2 above around replacing the trees given the condition that continual topping has left

them in. The EPA has also directed Bellgrove and hence Council to reinstate car parking along the northern aspect of this corridor which would also impact the retention of the current trees between 52 and 96 Kippenberger Avenue.

- 1.6. **Attachment i** details the preferred plan of staff for the replacement of the trees and car parking should the RACB endorse the concept plan. This plan also indicates the planting style and widths of the garden plantings and supporting plants for the tree pits. As well as shared use paths, cycle lanes and footpath areas.
- 1.7. The RACB has retained its delegation for tree removal in relation to this process despite the EPA ruling on the car parking. As noted in the advice notes from EPA to the consent holder (Bellgrove):

The Consent Holder is advised that the approval of Waimakariri District Council's Asset and Network Planning team, or the Community Board / Waimakariri District Council where that authority has been delegated, is required prior to any works within the road reserve (i.e. on Kippenberger Avenue).

Staff have been requested to gain the removal approval so that Bellgrove can continue with its development. In doing so, staff have requested information to outline how this project would work in regards to budget and what entity is funding which aspects. At this time the Memorandum of Understanding between Council and Bellgrove is still in development. This means staff are only able to comment on what is being funded through this particular part of the Kippenberger Avenue project. Once the MoU is signed, an advisory note or briefing can be held with RACB by the officers involved in that cost share agreement.

Bellgrove have confirmed that they will be responsible for the undergrounding of the services as noted in the three attachments to this report. Any undergrounding outside of this would be required to have funding sought by Council as it is not covered under the development for Bellgrove. The replacement trees will be funded by Greenspace and it is expected that there will be a 50/50 cost share for the tree removal with the works to be undertaken by Bellgrove as part of the wider undergrounding project.

- 1.8. Council staff received details on the undergrounding in September 2022 which has led to this report being time sensitive. Prior to this, staff have sought comment from RACB through a workshop on the 13th April 2022. The main aspect of this workshop was to present the concept of tree removal in this corridor and gather feedback from the RACB. It was noted at this session, the RACB wanted to see and endorse a landscape concept plan for this area prior to it endorsing removal of the current trees, and that this should include undergrounding of the power lines.
- 1.9. Bellgrove's responsibility for funding does not include the sections from 102 heading west along Kippenberger, or 8 Kippenberger Avenue heading east towards Woodend. The area of influence for the design can be seen in **Attachment ii**.
- 1.10. RACB has suggested it would support the project through its own General Landscaping Fund. This is yet to be allocated and would need to be discussed by the RACB with Greenspace staff once budget gaps are confirmed following any MoU with Bellgrove.
- 1.11. Staff are also going to be seeking advice from the RACB on the exact location of the memorial to Kippenberger. The original plan that was drafted by external architects suggested that the memorial should be located in front of 8 Kippenberger Avenue. This being the natural entrance to Rangiora and near the cattle underpass, which would allow access for people from both sides of the road to visit the memorial.
- 1.12. The memorial itself was expected to be a steel silhouette. Whilst this has not been to RACB for approval, this has been the draft design intent to this point. The RACB would be required to approve the memorial design. It should also be noted that funding will need to be sought for the memorial from the next Annual Plan or Long Term Plan 2024. Staff expect to bring a design for this back to the RACB for approval.

Attachments:

- i. Kippenberger Ave Development Concept Plan TRIM 221027187456
- ii. Location plan (attached to the end of the report text).

2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Rangiora Ashley Community Board:

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3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1. The RACB has noted that Kippenberger Avenue is one of the main entrance ways into Rangiora. The RACB has a program in mind with its General Landscaping Funds to improve and beautify the entrances that include Lineside Road, Oxford Road, Flaxton Road, Ashley Bridge and Kippenberger Avenue.

- 3.2. The RACB has the delegation for any tree removal and landscape plans in greenspace administered areas, this includes street trees and amenity plantings along road corridors such as Kippenberger Avenue.
- 3.3. In 2019 staff were working with Mainpower to look at undergrounding services due to the vigorous works that had been done to the trees along Kippenberger Avenue. The topping of these trees is necessary for the safety of the power lines above, hence Council exploring an undergrounding option. Mainpower indicated support at the time, however the cost of what was being proposed versus any compensation meant this project was put on hold.
- 3.4. Bellgrove are now leading this section of the Avenue for undergrounding the power lines which will increase amenity in this area as well as support the development they are leading to the north of Kippenberger Avenue. This is an important development for Rangiora that will increase housing stock and help to grow our community. The trees that need to be removed for the undergrounding are in a poor condition due to vigorous topping practises to protect the over head power lines. From a staff perspective, having the opportunity to replace these with healthy specimens that can thrive without the need for topping due to over head power lines is an outcome that is supported.
- 3.5. The memorial design was expected to be a steel silhouette. Whilst this has not been to RACB for approval, this has been the draft design intent to this point. The RACB would be required to approve the memorial design. It should also be noted that funding will need to be sought for the memorial from the next Annual Plan or Long Term Plan 2024. Staff expect to bring a design for this back to the RACB for approval. The location of the memorial is also being sought through the attached landscape plan.

4. **ISSUES AND OPTIONS**

- 4.1. **Option one – support the removal and replacement of the trees as well as confirmation of location for the Kippenberger Memorial.**

This option removes the over head power lines along Kippenberger Avenue which will increase the overall amenity of this area and allow for the opportunity to replace the heavily topped trees with health specimens that can add to the vision of a main town entrance in Rangiora. It also provides comfort for new residents into the Bellgrove subdivision knowing that the power lines are no longer above the southern aspect of their properties along this boundary. Council staff have also negotiated with Bellgrove following the April workshop with RACB to increase the width of this frontage to add to the amenity.

Staff recommend this option as it replaces the trees in a like for like pattern compared with the southern side of Kippenberger Avenue and it allows for the undergrounding of the power lines as per the proposed works for the Bellgrove development.

- 4.2. **Option two - supports the removal and replacement of the trees along Kippenberger Avenue with a decrease in tree planting and amenity and an increase in car parking.**

This would provide more car parking for people along the main route into Rangiora however it would detract from the amenity focus of the entrance corridor and decrease the amount of trees being replaced.

It is considered unnecessary to provide on-street parking to support the funeral home given the infrequent events that occur there and they are expected to be accommodated on site.

Almost all of the houses on the south side have off-street parking space for four or more vehicles, so the need for extra on-street car parking is considered to be low; e.g., potentially lower than one carpark per house. However, anything that delays a decision for the north side design will have ramifications for the development at Bellgrove.

Anecdotal evidence of car parking demand on the north side suggests it is low except for when there is a rare large funeral event

Staff do not recommend this option as it reduces amenity along this entrance way to Rangiora. There will still be car parking available to residents and any events that occur within the funeral home should be within its boundary in regards to car parking.

4.3. Option three - does not support the removal and replacement of the trees along Kippenberger Avenue.

This will cause conflict with the EPA ruling for car parking as well as the developers for Bellgrove.

Staff do not recommend this option as it would place pressure on Council from the developers and potentially the EPA. It also does not enable the undergrounding of services along Kippenberger Avenue which will provide a genuine community benefit and amenity outcome with the replacement of the heavily topped trees.

4.4. Option four - Refer the decision to Council.

Whilst this is an option for the RACB, it does not support the critical time pressure that the developer of Bellgrove has outlined and would cause further angst to their development.

Staff do not support this option as it will add stress and time to the developers project for Bellgrove.

Implications for Community Wellbeing

There are implications on community wellbeing by the issues and options that are the subject matter of this report. As noted in section 5 of this report, the Community values tree plantings and has a vested interest in the Kippenberger Avenue corridor as one of the main entrance ways to Rangiora. This is somewhat mitigated by the current state of the trees (following enthusiastic maintenance to top the present crop), the replacement of these trees with healthy and suitable specimens, the undergrounding of the power lines and the overall improvements to the street scape.

4.5. The Management Team has reviewed this report and support the recommendations.

5. COMMUNITY VIEWS

5.1. Mana whenua

Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri hapū are unlikely to be affected by, or have an interest in the subject matter of this report given it is a like for like replacement of the trees along Kippenberger Avenue. The Runanga may be interested in the design of the memorial and staff will be engaging with them.

5.2. Groups and Organisations

There are groups and organisations likely to be affected by, or to have an interest in the subject matter of this report. This is in line with the fact that there has not been widespread engagement on the proposed removal and replacement of the trees along Kippenberger Avenue. The speed of the project is subject to the EPA process which is at a much more accelerated rate than normal Council plan change procedures.

It is anticipated that if the trees are to be removed, groups such as any local neighbourhood committees and Keep Rangiora Beautiful will have an interest in the outcomes of the planting along Kippenberger.

5.3. Wider Community

The wider community is likely to be affected by, or to have an interest in the subject matter of this report. To date engagement on the removal of the trees has not been out for public consultation. The timeframe on the undergrounding of the lines is the catalyst for the removal and replacement, which is driven by the developers of Bellgrove. Clear engagement will need to be undertaken to ensure the Community is well aware of the process to date and why the trees are being replaced.

Members of the public who are aware of this project have been in contact with the Council seeking updates on this matter.

Generally tree removal is not supported by the wider community especially in a prominent location. However with the role the Bellgrove development has to play alongside the undergrounding of the power lines and replacement of sub optimal tree specimens with suitable specimens, it is expected that many of the concerns may be mitigated as the trees establish and reach a healthier form.

6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

6.1. Financial Implications

There are financial implications of the decisions sought by this report. To date, the undergrounding has not been budgeted. Council staff were informed on the 12th September 2022 that Bellgrove has some responsibilities for the cost of undergrounding the power lines. There are still requirements in regards to cost sharing with Bellgrove on what is and is not covered as part of this. Existing Greenspace budgets are likely going to be required to cover the tree replacement planting and the RACB has indicated previous intent to support this project via its General Landscaping Fund.

Further details on a cost share with Bellgrove for the Kippenberger Avenue works will be required. A memorandum of understanding (MoU) is currently in development with the planning unit. Normally a request such as the one being put before the RACB would wait until that is in place, however the removal of the trees is seen as time critical due to development timelines.

The memorial is only seeking location confirmation at this time, a further report and financial information will need to be presented to the RACB and the Annual Plan. The cost of this will have an implication for our capital program.

6.2. Sustainability and Climate Change Impacts

The recommendations in this report do have sustainability and/or climate change impacts. Removal of the current trees will not likely have negative impacts on the environment due to the decline in these trees with the topping and cutting back they have experienced. It is envisioned that the replacement plantings will be able to become specimen trees, although they will likely provide more amenity than overall benefit to the ecosystem and shade along the newly formed walkway once that is established.

Staff have been informed that no services are being placed under the trees, so we expect that they will have a decent opportunity to grow to be healthy specimens.

6.3 Risk Management

There are risks arising from the adoption/implementation of the recommendations in this report. Removal of trees always carries a risk of public disharmony, however this could be negated with clear communication and noting that the replacement trees will have a greater chance of becoming specimens and adding to the aesthetic of the entrance.

There are also risks if the recommendations are not supported and staff have to report back to Bellgrove that the trees have not been approved for removal as this will stifle the development and add time pressures to this.

6.3 Health and Safety

There are minor health and safety risks arising from the adoption/implementation of the recommendations in this report. Physical works will be undertaken by Bellgrove's contractor, who will be subject to Council's health & safety, and traffic management requirements.

7. **CONTEXT**

7.1. **Consistency with Policy**

This matter is not a matter of significance in terms of the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

7.2. **Authorising Legislation**

Resource Management Act

Local Government Act

7.3. **Consistency with Community Outcomes**

The Council's community outcomes are relevant to the actions arising from recommendations in this report.

Public spaces and facilities are plentiful, accessible and high quality, and reflect cultural identity

- There is a wide variety of public places and spaces to meet people's needs
- There are wide-ranging opportunities for people to enjoy the outdoors
- The accessibility of community and recreation facilities meets the changing needs of our community

Public spaces express the unique visual identity of our District.

Transport is accessible, convenient, reliable and sustainable

- The standard of our District's roads is keeping pace with increasing traffic numbers.
- Communities in our District are well linked with each other and Christchurch is readily accessible by a range of transport modes.

The distinctive character of our takiwā - towns, villages and rural areas is maintained, developed and celebrated

- The centres of our towns are safe, convenient and attractive places to visit and do business
- Public spaces reflect the distinct narratives, character and cultural identity of our takiwā.

7.4. **Authorising Delegations**

The Rangiora Ashley Community Board holds (and retains) the delegation to decide if the trees along Kippenberger can be removed. This is also acknowledged by the EPA to the Consent Holder as per below:

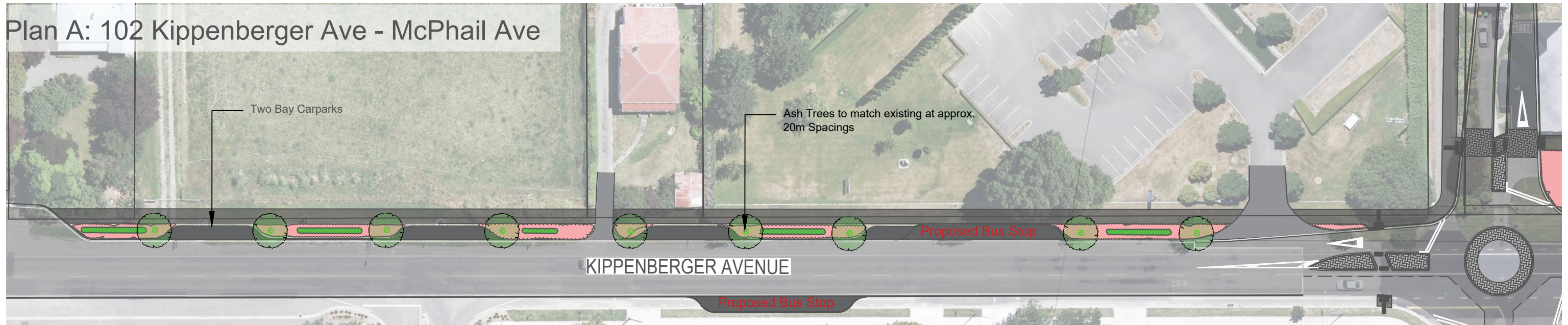
The Consent Holder is advised that the approval of Waimakariri District Council's Asset and Network Planning team, or the Community Board / Waimakariri District Council where that authority has been delegated, is required prior to any works within the road reserve (i.e. on Kippenberger Avenue).

Attachment ii (location plan).

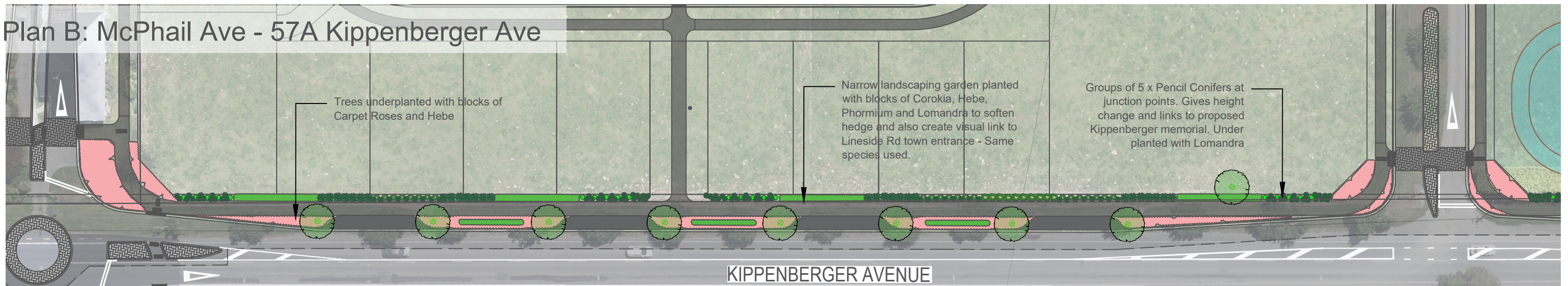


	Section A	Section B	Section C	Section D
Location	96 Kippenberger to 102 Kippenberger	MacPhail Ave to 96 Kippenberger	Cattle Crossing to MacPhail Ave	8 Kippenberger (to Golf Links Rd)
Utility Undergrounding	Council	Bellgrove	Bellgrove	Council
Landscaping & Frontage Improvements	Council	Council	Bellgrove (landscaping) Council (trees)	Council

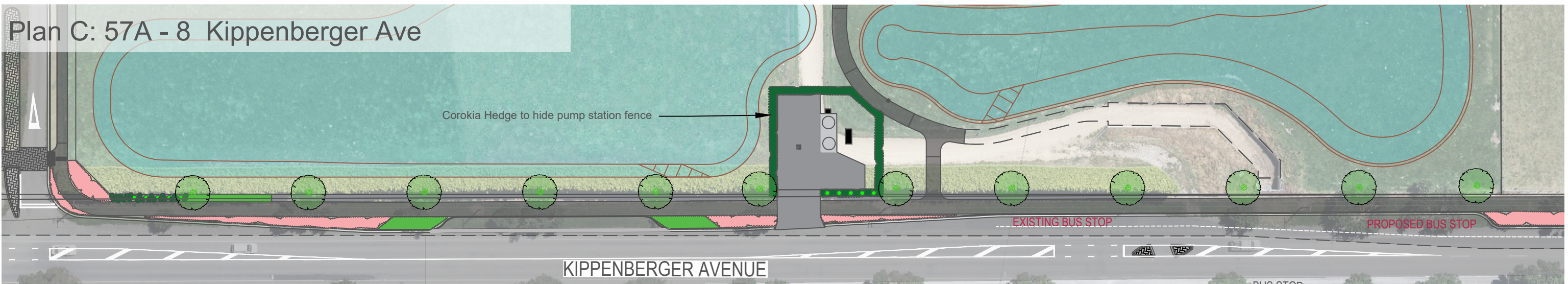
Plan A: 102 Kippenberger Ave - McPhail Ave



Plan B: McPhail Ave - 57A Kippenberger Ave



Plan C: 57A - 8 Kippenberger Ave



Proposed Landscaping Treatment Kippenberger Ave



Pencil Conifer



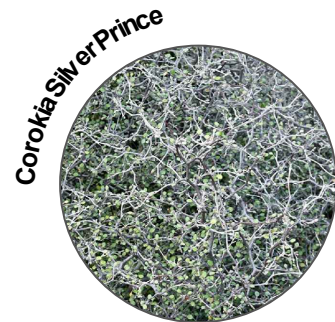
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Phormium Emerald Gem



Hebe Pretty in Pink



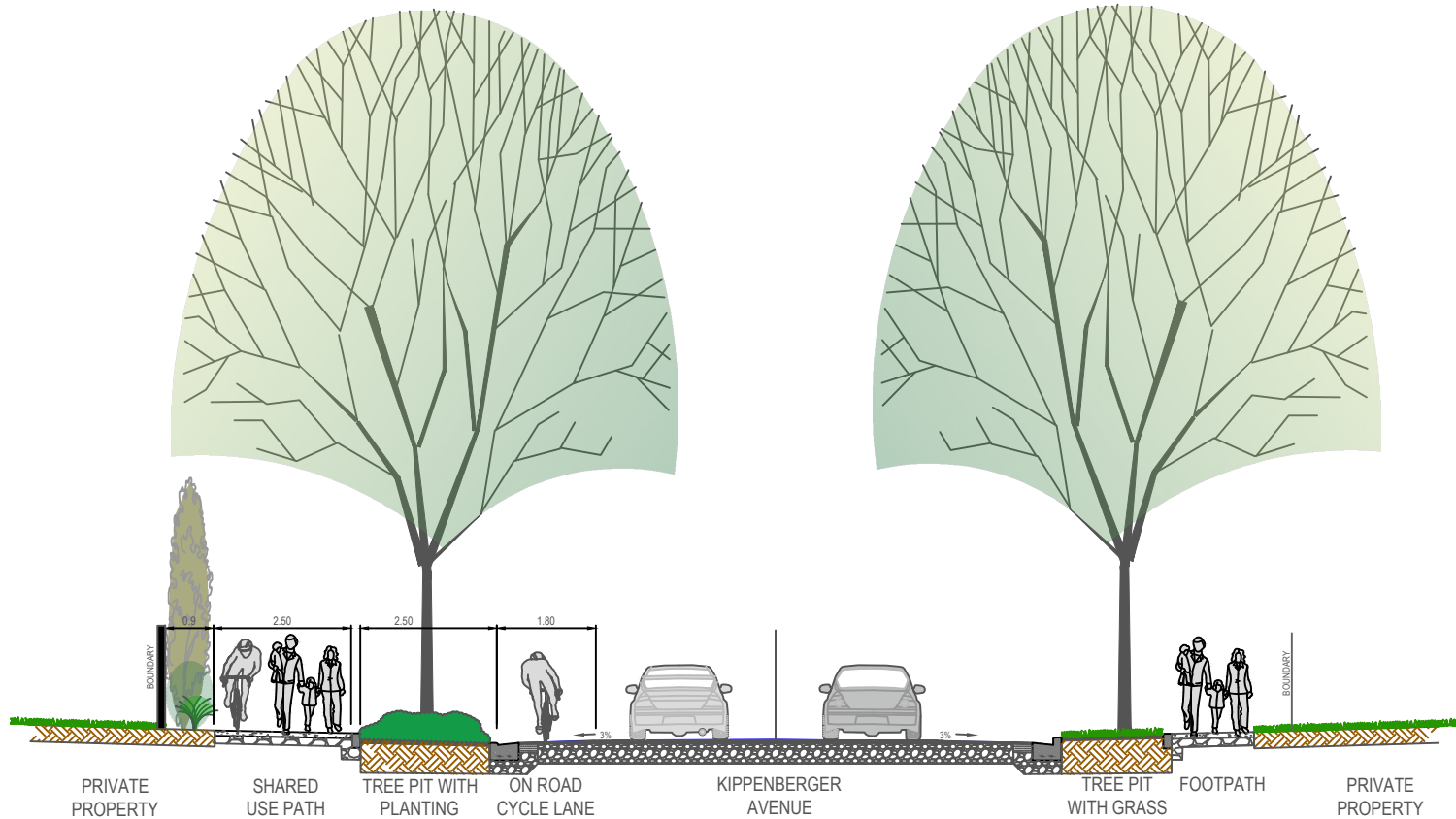
Corokia Silver Prince



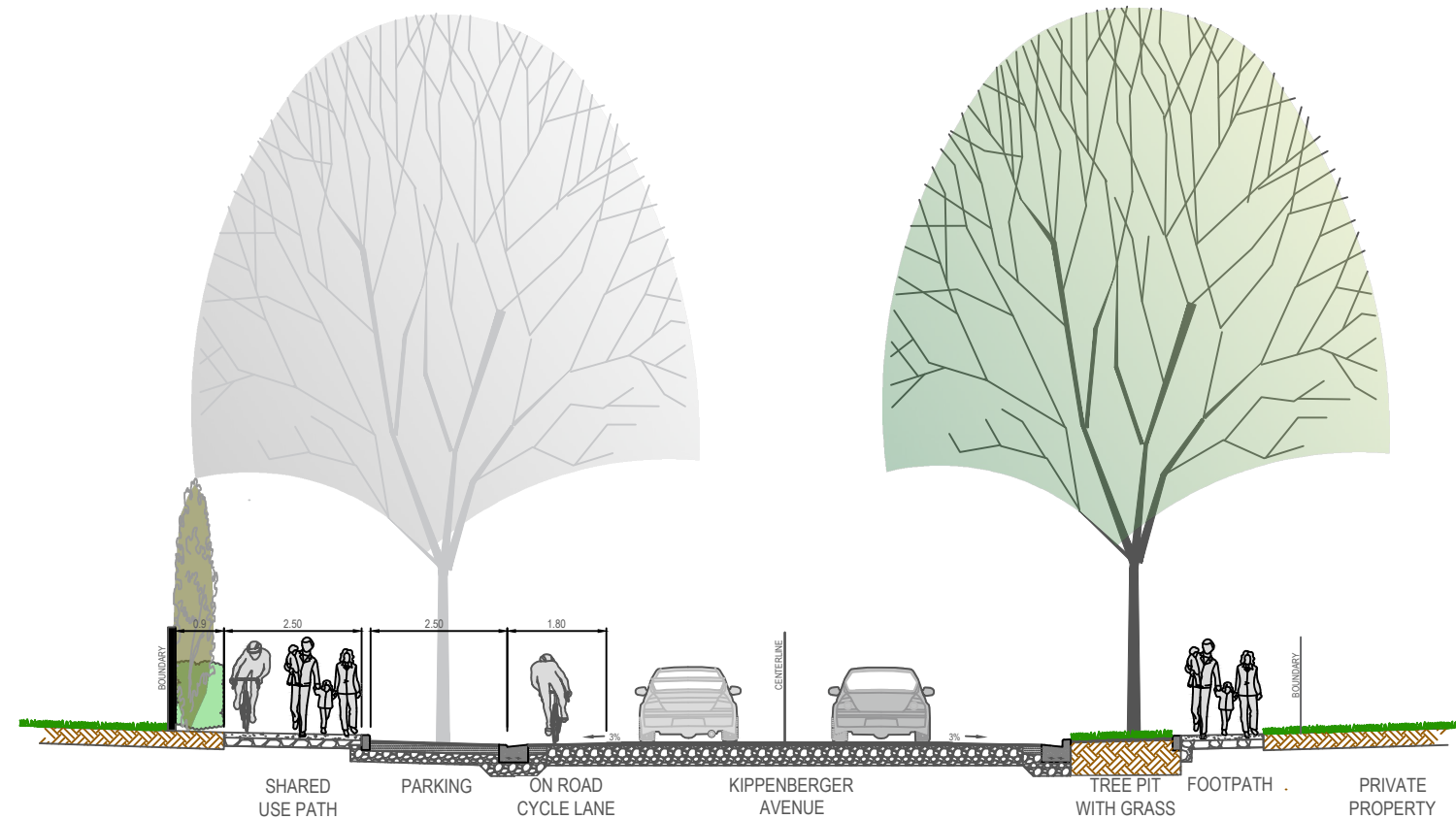
Red Carpet Rose



Fraxinus-Ash Tree



TYPICAL SECTION A - KIPPENBERGER AVENUE



TYPICAL SECTION B - KIPPENBERGER AVENUE



Proposed location for Kippenberger Memorial - Design yet to be confirmed

Proposed Landscaping Treatment Kippenberger Ave