

## Appendix 8 – Pre-Application Consultation

Pre-application consultation on the Project was undertaken with a number of key stakeholders and the general public. All property owners within the Edendale and Wyndham Community Board Catchments were sent a letter on the project and were invited to a public open day held in November 2016. A copy of the letter is detailed below. Approximately 900 letters were sent out. Detailed below is a summary of the pre-application consultation undertaken through 2016 early 2017.

Group	Consultation Undertaken
<b>Key Stakeholders</b>	<p>Meetings were held with the Southland District Council, Te Ao Marama, Southland Regional Council to discuss the project prior to drafting of the NOR application.</p> <p>Initial meetings with the Council were used to outline the Project and to discuss the applications which would be lodged with each of the Councils and the consenting process.</p> <p>Directly affected landowners (where land purchases were required) were consulted as part of the land purchase negotiation process.</p> <p>Transpower and Spark as utility managers with infrastructure potentially affected by the proposal were consulted. Consultation was also undertaken with Heritage NZ and the NZ Heavy Haulage Association.</p>
<b>Community Groups / Organisations</b>	<p>Community groups/organisations which own land in/around Wyndham and Edendale or which have an interest in the Project were sent the information letter detailed below. This included first responders, transport associations, the community board and the primary school.</p> <p>NZTA and Opus staff attended a Wyndale (Wyndham- Edendale) Community Board meeting and discussed the project with the board members.</p> <p>NZTA and Opus staff visited ‘Crank Up Day’ which is hosted by the Edendale Vintage Machinery Club who lease land owned by Fonterra and which would be utilised for the realignment. Additional meetings with Crank Up representatives were held through the consultation period.</p>
<b>Individuals from Wyndham / Edendale Community</b>	<p>The Information letter detailed below was sent to all landowners in the Edendale Wyndham Community Board Area.</p> <p>A number of letters / e-mails were sent to NZTA /Opus on the project direct from individuals. NZTA responded in writing to each of these letters.</p>

	<p>An Open Day was held in Edendale to discuss two options for the realignment. NZTA and Opus staff were present to discuss the project and answer questions.</p> <p>A broad range of issues were raised at the Open Day and through the consultation period.</p> <p>There was a clear preference in feedback received for ‘Option 2’ (Northern entrance to Edendale for southbound traffic).</p> <p>A FAQ and the corresponding answers, was prepared in response to the open day. This was uploaded to the NZTA Project page.</p> <p>Some individuals were opposed to the project in its entirety.</p>
<p><b>Broad / Miscellaneous</b></p>	<p>A project page on the NZTA website was used to present project updates.</p> <p><a href="https://www.nzta.govt.nz/edendale">https://www.nzta.govt.nz/edendale</a></p> <p>A survey was uploaded to the project page (also used at the Open Day) to gauge the public’s thoughts on the realignment and the two options.</p> <p>Newspaper advertisements in local papers were used to inform the public of the Open day in conjunction with the Edendale and Wyndham Community letters.</p>



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## State Highway 1: Edendale Realignment

Dear Sir or Madam

Opus International Consultants Ltd (Opus) has been engaged by the New Zealand Transport Agency (the NZ Transport Agency) to progress the design of the realignment of the section of State Highway 1 (SH1) which passes through the Edendale Township. This letter has been sent to local landowners to inform them about the project.

The NZ Transport Agency is now moving forward with the project and is undertaking consultation with the local community.

There are a number of issues with the existing section of highway that runs through Edendale Township. Safety and efficiency of the highway is affected by variations in speed limits, road geometry and layout, along with rail level crossings and heavy vehicle movements through Edendale.

Two design options are being considered by the NZ Transport Agency.

Both options involve the relocating of SH1 north of the Fonterra dairy factory and include a four legged roundabout at the southern end of the Township.

- Option One: All traffic entering the Edendale Township from the state highway will do so via the roundabout. It does not provide access to the existing Pioneer Highway alignment at the northern end of the township.
- Option Two: A left turn in to the existing Pioneer Highway from the new state highway alignment at the northern end of the Township providing access to Edendale for south bound traffic. No exit to the state highway from the northern end of the Township is permitted.

Copies of the concept designs for both options are enclosed for your information.

The project presents a range of benefits including:

- Improved efficiency of the state highway network in this area;



- A safer road through the Edendale Township for all road users particularly in the vicinity of the local Edendale Primary School and residential properties;
- Removal of a significant amount of traffic travelling through the Township;
- Improved amenity within the Township; and,
- A north bound passing lane for added safety and efficiency

A public open day will be held on 3 November 2016 3pm –7 pm at the Edendale Christian Activity Centre, Cnr of Ferry Rd and George St. This will be an opportunity for the community to come and hear more about the proposed improvements and the benefits of the project. Staff from both the NZ Transport Agency and Opus will be present to answer questions and talk through the project.

If you would like to find more information about the Edendale realignment, there is a project overview on the NZ Transport Agency's website which can be found at the following address: <https://www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/edendale-state-highway-1-bypass/>

If you have any questions, or you wish to comment on the proposed improvements, please feel free to contact us via the following details:

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