

# **OPEN**

# **MINUTE ITEM**

# **ATTACHMENTS**

**Ordinary meeting of the**  
**Works and Infrastructure Committee**

**Thursday 27 June 2019**  
**Commencing at 11.00a.m.**  
**Council Chamber**

**Civic House**

**110 Trafalgar Street, Nelson**

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# Making our Community Safe

A2215517

Clare Scott, Public Forum  
Works and Infrastructure Committee, 27 June 2019

# Speeding Traffic, Poor Design



# We have been asking for years...

- Newspaper article.
- Face to face and phone conversations with NCC staff.

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Slow down, or our children at risk, say  
parents

Amy Ridout • 05:00, May 13 2019





# Emails dating back to early 2018...

I spoke with you a few months back about the traffic issues on Kawai St. South. Particularly now that Boundary Rd has been re opened, the speed and the amount of traffic is very concerning for the residents of this street and the parents whose children attend Nelson South kindergarten.

I truly believe that this is an extremely hazardous situation and failure to slow traffic on this street could have catastrophic results.

I have attached a few photos of what the street parking is like in the morning when children are being dropped to kindy. The stream of traffic is nearly constant at the same time, most of it coming from people cutting through to avoid Waimea Rd.

Speed bumps (like on Beatson Rd--another road that people would cut through if it were not for the traffic slowing measures) and a pedestrian crossing/raised path at the kindy (like at Health Kids day care on Tipahi St) would be very welcome.

I understand that there is a due process, but we would very much appreciate the City Council's attention to this matter.

We are asking for our families and the  
kindergarten to be protected from  
speeding cars and  
rat runners from Waimea Rd



These are some of the kids and  
families on our block....





Item 4.1: Clare Scott - Speed reduction measures for Kawai Street South:  
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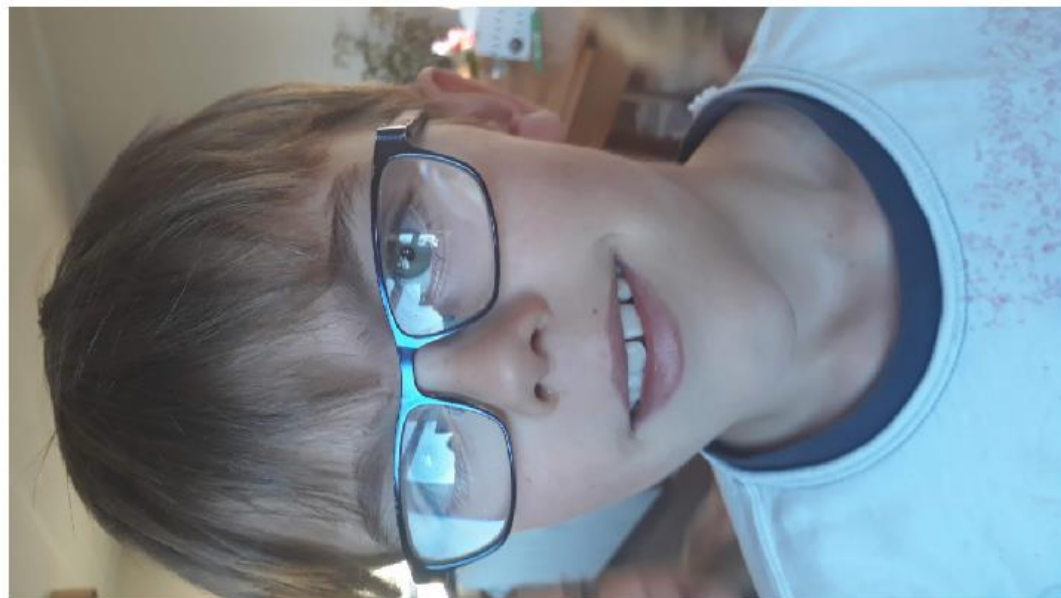
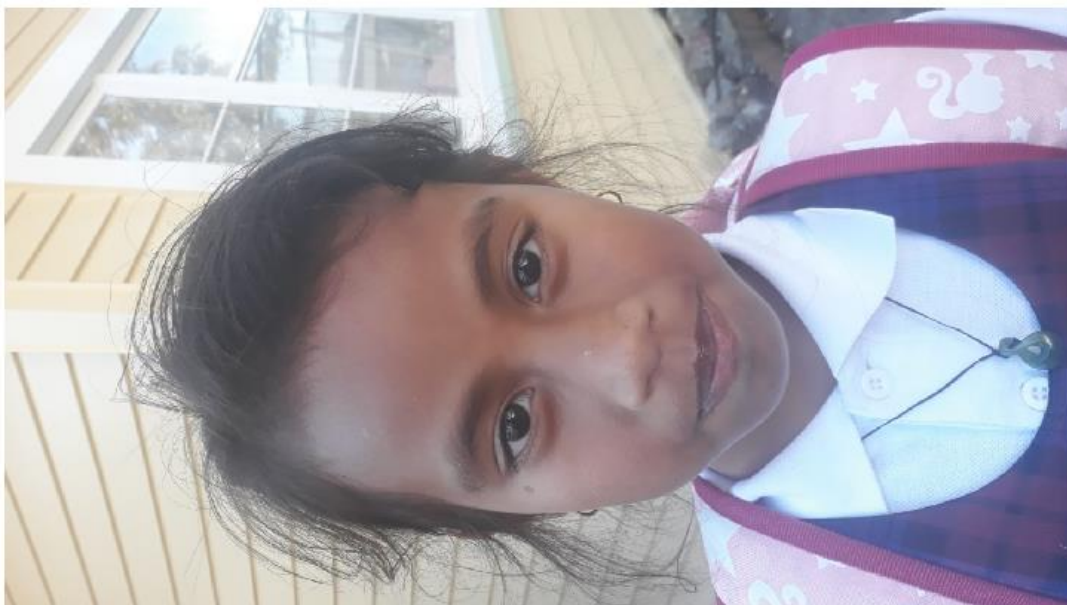


# More of our children on this block...





And more...





And more...



*And more.....and these are only a few  
of the many children on this street.*



# And what about the kindy kids?

- The Council response is that the speed limit, and the speeding traffic, while **“inappropriate”**, is **not a big problem** because all kindy kids should be holding the hand of an adult.
- This is a fantasy when you are a parent with *multiple children*, trying to push a *pram*, get kids onto *bikes*, pick up flying away *artwork* and *shoes* on the ground.
- It also puts **the onus of staying safe in an unsafe situation on the victim**, which is unethical.





# Before go on to our suggestions....

- I am voicing the concerns of Nelson South Kindergarten, many kindy families, and am directly speaking on behalf of at least nine households on this street.



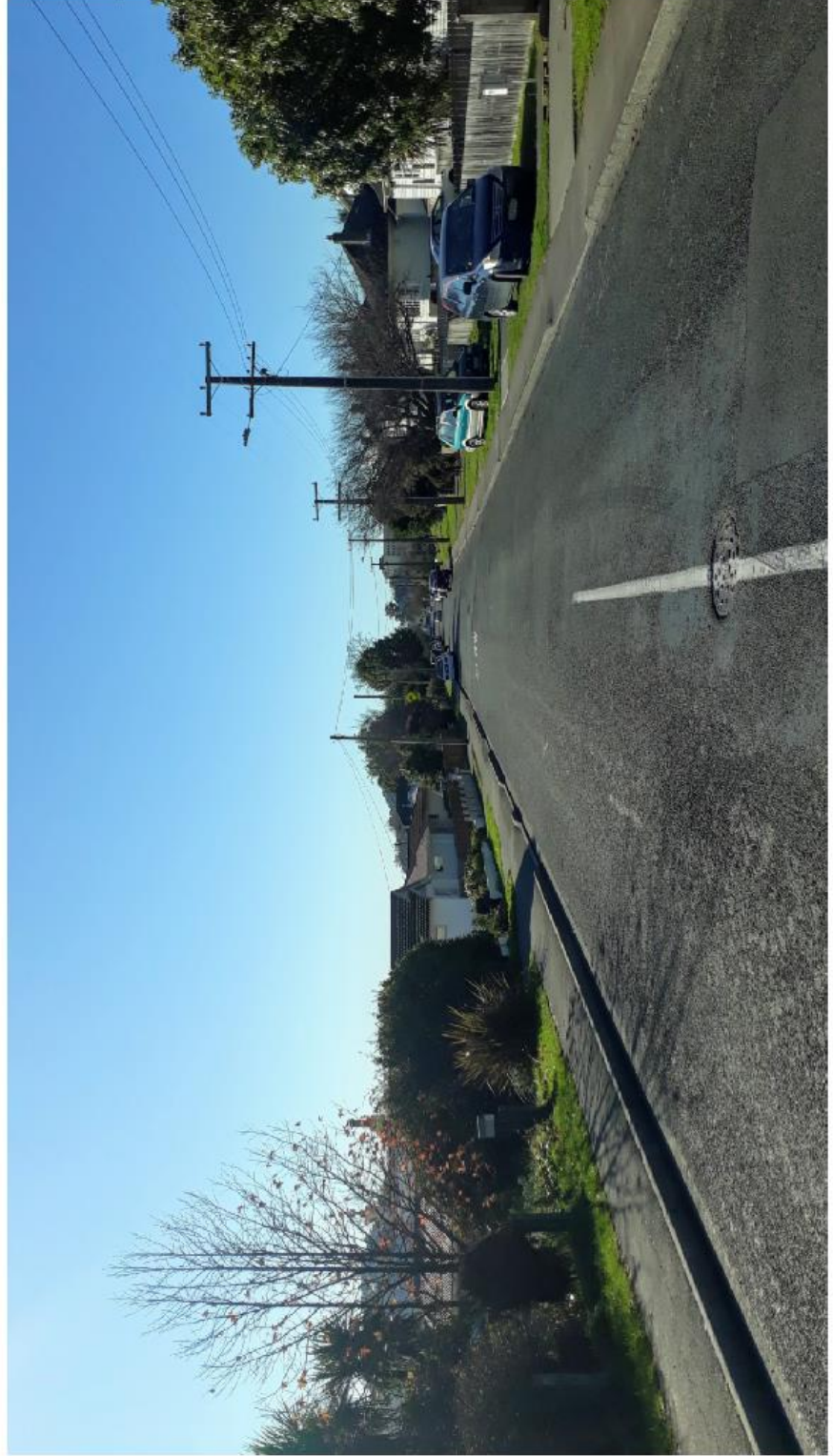
*Kylie Johnson, head teacher at Nelson South Kindergarten.*

"It's been ongoing," Nelson South Kindergarten head teacher Kylie Johnston said. "It's only a matter of time before someone is hurt."

<https://www.stuff.co.nz/nelson-mail/112549639/slow-down-or-our-children-at-risk-say-parents>

# Traffic Calming

- It *looks like* you should drive fast down Kawai St. South.









## From another angle....



The presence of plantings and trees not only beautifies the street, but also makes it LOOK and FEEL like you should be driving more slowly.



# Pedestrian Crossing...

We've asked for a Council crossing, but have been denied.  
We would like to do this, or something like it, with safe gritty paint done by a local artist who lives on the street.  
Can you fund the paint?





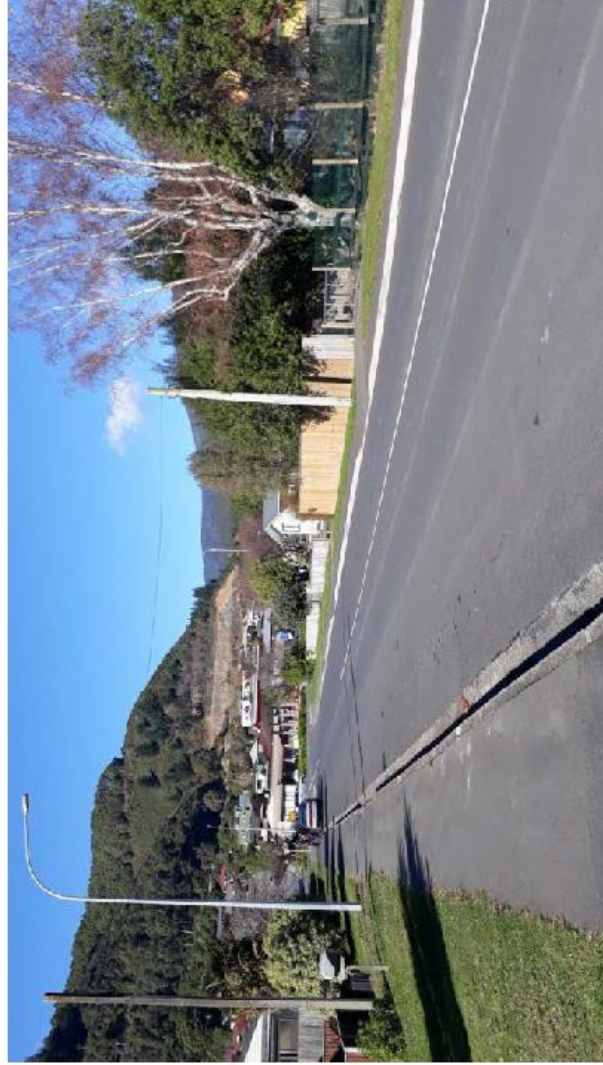
# Planter boxes



**The community can do the planting. Will you fund us to make our street safer?**



# Closing Boundary Rd to through traffic



A near constant stream of cars rat running to avoid Waimea Rd race down our street during peak times.



Why is it accepted that Boundary Rd/Kawai St South is a bypass for the Waimea Road traffic?

We are a local road. With Families. Children. A Kindergarten.

## A Living STREETS Trial

- We asking you to  
instate traffic calming  
measures on our street.
- Or at least to FUND us,  
the community of Kawai  
St South, to make our  
community beautiful  
and safe on our own.
- These could, for  
starters, be temporary  
TRIAL measure to see if  
it works.
- If it does, Kawai street  
will be a model to other  
neighbourhoods as to  
how to make your  
street, **safe, vibrant and  
beautiful.**

Can you help us take our community to the next level  
by making it safe from speeding cars?

## Let's work together....

- We would very much appreciate help from the City Council to make this happen, and believe that it is your **responsibility to look after the families and children who live in risky areas.**
- We have tried emails, discussions, articles and more, to no avail.
- We have a community here that WANTS to make our street safer, more colourful, more alive. A **REAL LIVING STREET**
- Can you help us do this?

**LET'S HAVE A CONVERSATION AND MAKE THIS WORK 😊**



# Our Voice

- Kawai St South has historically been populated with people who do not feel like they have much of voice. It is easy to overlook.
- This is not the case anymore.
- We do have a voice, and we want to be heard, and we want to work together.



# Kia Ora



Clare Scott, June 2019