STAFF REPORT

TO: Mayor and Councillors

FROM: Steve Elkington, Road Asset Engineer

REFERENCE: B953

DATE: 18 September 2008

SUBJECT: McSHANE ROAD – PROPOSED SPEED LIMIT CHANGE

1 PURPOSE

To put forward for adoption into Councils Speed Limit Bylaw 2004, the proposed change to the speed limit on McShane Road from 100kph to 80kph.

2 BACKGROUND

Earlier this year a lower speed limit of 80kph was put in place along Appleby Highway (SH60) from near the over-bridge to just west of McShane/Pugh Roads Intersection. Also in 2006 a lower speed limit on Lower Queen Street was extended past the intersection of McShane Road, unfortunately at the time a proposal to lower the speed limit to 70kph on McShane Road was unsuccessful.

3 COMMENT

The proposal to lower the speed limit along McShane Road was recommended to the Engineering Services Committee meeting of the 12th June 08, where approval was given to undertake public consultation.

Public Consultation on the proposed change was undertaken as required under Section 86 of the Local Government Act 2002, pertaining to the Adoption, Review or Amendment of Bylaws.

The change was publicly advertised in Tasman Newsline Updates published in editions of local newspapers as well as in *Tasman Newsline "The Mag"*.

A summary of the submissions is set out below and a copy of submissions is attached at the end of this report.

Seven Submissions were received and are summarised below. All submitters either supported or had no objection to the proposed speed limit change of 80kph. A copy of submissions is attached to the end of this report.

Submitter	Response
NZ Transport Agency	Supported
Automobile Association Nelson	Supported
NZ Road Transport Association Region 4	No Objection
Transit NZ (Response give under NZTA	No Objection
letterhead)	-
NZ Police	Supported
Mr D Holmes - 108 McShane Rd	Supported
J Harrey - 93 Pugh Rd	Supported

4 RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts into its Consolidated Bylaw Chapter 4 – Speed Limits Bylaw 2004, the speed limit of 80kph for McShane Road between Lower Queen Street and Appleby Highway (SH 60), to come into force on 1st October 2008.

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