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# School Travel Report

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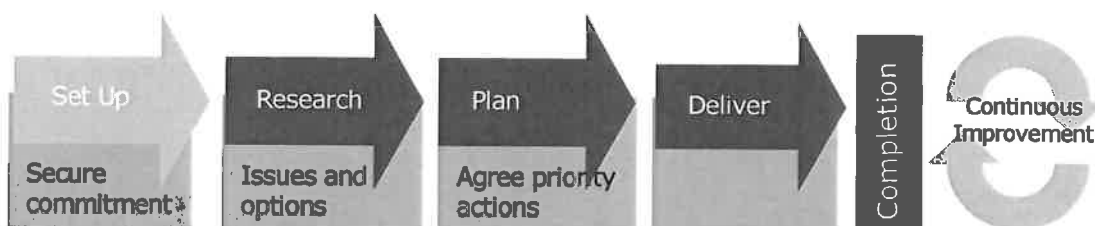
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# 1 Introduction

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Under the "TravelWise" programme, the Auckland Regional Transport Authority (ARTA) in partnership with Avondale College and Auckland City Council undertook a travel survey of college students, parents and staff in June 2007. The surveys included questions about actual and preferred modes of transport, reasons why various modes are used or not, and about safety issues associated with the journey to and from school. This report summarises the responses to the college travel surveys. This information, along with other relevant background material contained within this report will be used to assist the working party to develop a school travel plan to encourage and provide for the use of more active and sustainable journeys to Avondale College.



**Figure 1: Diagram of School Travel Plan Process**

## 2 About Avondale College

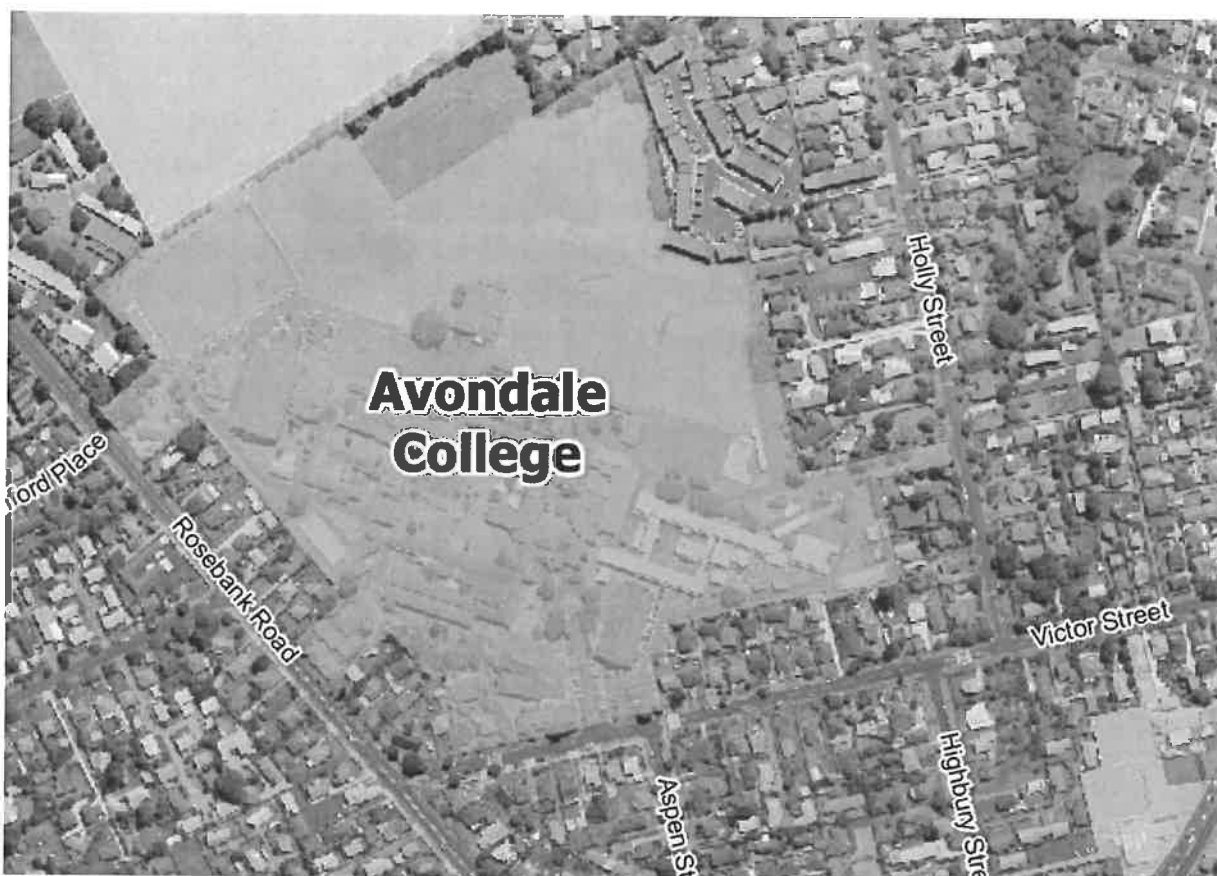
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### 2.1 School Profile

<b><i>School type &amp; Year levels</i></b>	State Secondary School, Years 9 – 13
<b><i>Decile rating</i></b>	4
<b><i>Number of students</i></b>	2650
<b><i>Number of staff</i></b>	236 in total, teaching and non teaching
<b><i>College population</i></b>	New Zealand European/Pakeha 28%, Maori 9%, Samoan 15%, Chinese 12%, Indian 9%, other Asian 7%, other European 5%, Tongan 4%, Niuean 3%, other Pacific 2%, Other 6%
<b><i>Resource people</i></b>	None

### 2.2 Location

<b><i>College entrances</i></b>	Victor Street: main entrance, pedestrian crossing just to the east of this gate, major staff car park through this gate. Local/through road.  Victor Street bus entrance: To west of main entrance.  Rosebank Road: traffic lights and a pedestrian crossing at this exit, exit from car park, buses must exit site from here. Arterial road.  Eastdale Reserve: pedestrians only
<b><i>Surrounding Roads Description</i></b>	Victor Street: busy with traffic before and after school. Much traffic associated with school.  Rosebank Road: very busy arterial road. Heavy traffic flows all day; trucks and cars.
<b><i>Surrounding land use</i></b>	Immediately surrounding the college, residential, reserve and two other schools. Further west along Rosebank Road a major industrial area.
<b><i>Major destinations nearby</i></b>	Rosebank Road industrial area, Avondale shops, access to the NorthWest motorway along Rosebank Road.



**Figure 2: Map showing school location**

## 2.3 School Travel Policies, Programmes, Facilities

<b><i>College Travel Policies</i></b>	None. A limited number of Year 13 students are granted permits to park in the college grounds.
<b><i>Road Safety Programmes and Resources</i></b>	None.
<b><i>Pedestrian crossing facilities</i></b>	Victor Street; pedestrian crossing to the east of this; patrolled by school staff after school.
<b><i>Cycling facilities</i></b>	Beside the internal road. 160 stands in a fenced enclosure.

### 3 Survey Methodology

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Survey forms were distributed to all staff, students and parents of Avondale College to complete.

The following table calculates the response rates for the different surveys.

Survey	Number of forms distributed	Number of survey responses	Response rate
Students	2650	1520	57%
Parents (Years 9,11,13 only)	1710	385	23%
Staff	220	115	52%

**Table 1: Survey Response Rates**

Not all respondents answered every survey question and hence each question within each survey may have a different response rate. The percentages that are given in this report are calculated on the number of responses to each particular question in the survey and not the total number of survey responses.

Student survey results are also presented in this report in terms of the number of survey responses eg (n16) indicates 16 survey responses.

# 4 Survey Results – Student Travel

## 4.1 Student Travel Patterns

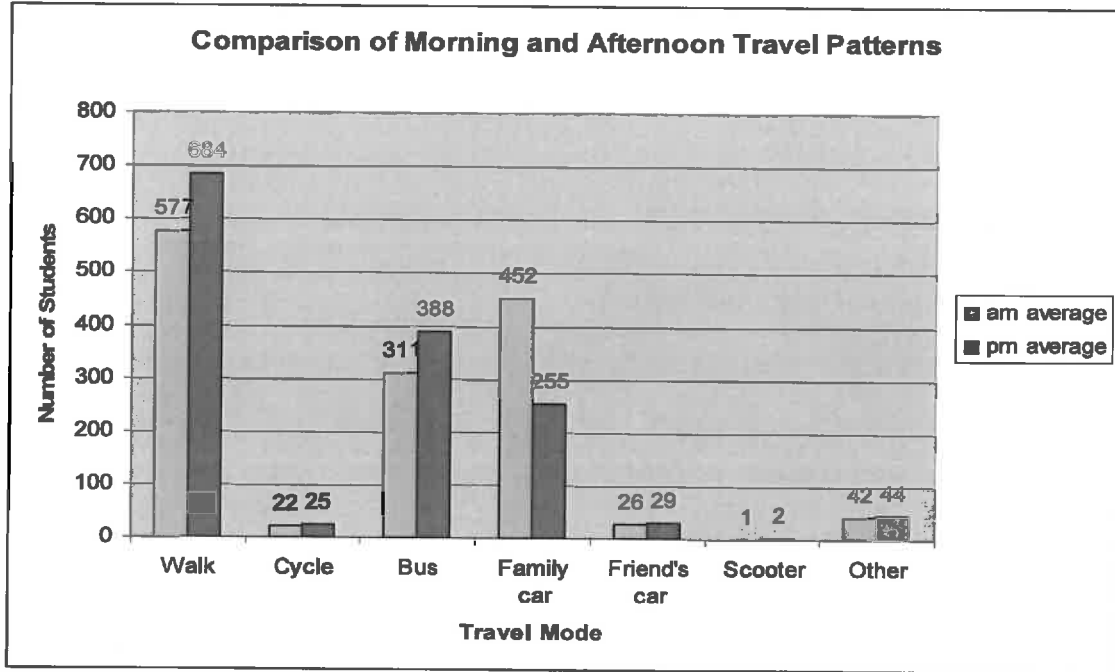


Figure 3: Comparison of morning and afternoon travel patterns

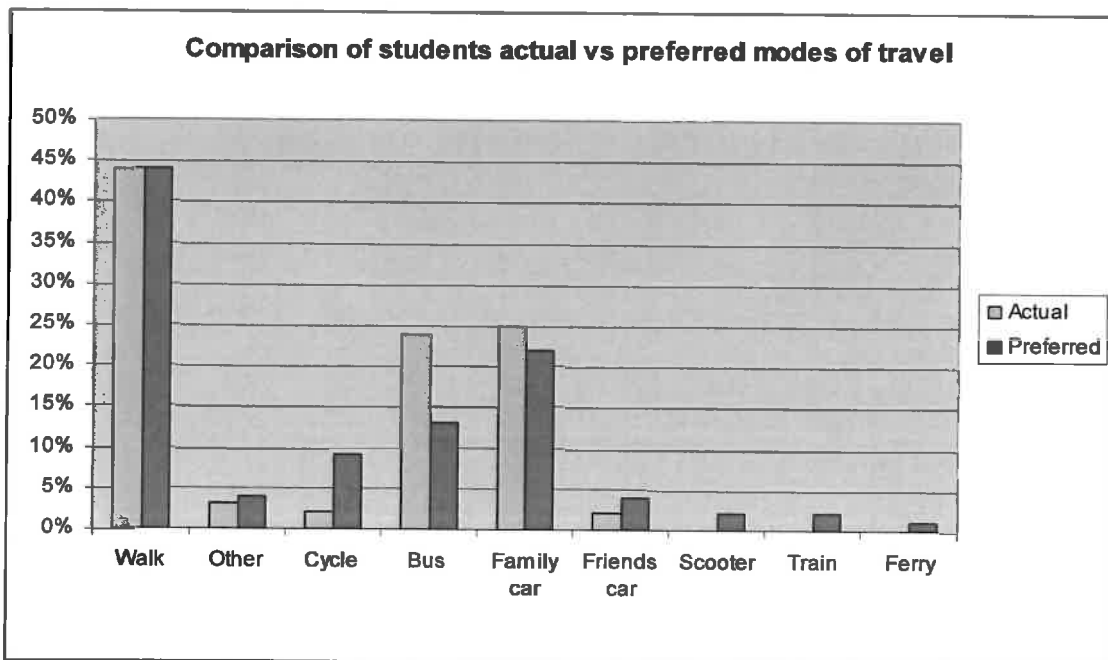


Figure 4: Comparison of actual and preferred modes

## 4.2 Car Travel

### ***Findings from student survey:***

- On average, over the period of a week, 27% of all college students (382) travel to/from college by car.
- 14% (194) more students are driven to college in the morning than are driven home from college.
- 26% of students would choose to get driven to college as their preference.

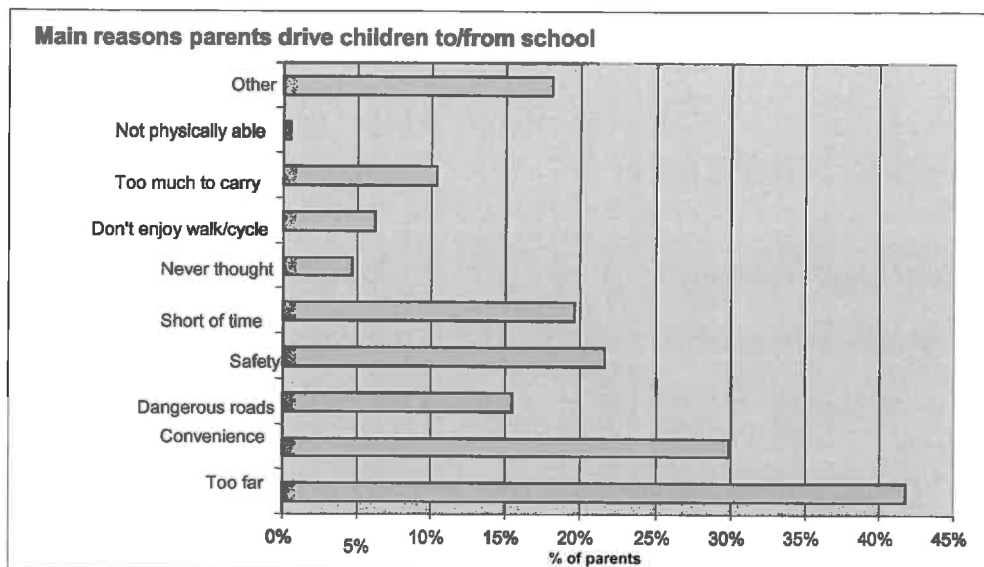
### ***Findings from modal map (Appendix 1):***

- 8 students who live less than 1km from school drove or were driven to/from school
- 90 students who live between 1-2 kms from the school drove or were driven to school in the mornings, and 47 in the afternoons.

### ***Findings from parent survey:***

- Parents drive children to college more often than they drive them home from college.
- In the morning, 40% of car trips to college are made by parents who go straight home afterwards. The majority continue on to work/study or elsewhere.
- In the afternoon, 44% of car trips are made by parents who come to college from home. 12% more have come from work/study or elsewhere. Most of the time parents go straight home after collecting their children from college (69% of afternoon trips)
- The main reasons parents drive their children to school is because its too far to walk, and its convenient.





**Figure 5: Main reasons parents drive their children to/from school**

## 4.3 Carpooling

### *Findings from student survey:*

- Most car travel is in the family car with an average of 28 (2%) students travelling to college in a friend's car.
- 4% of students (44) would choose to drive to school in a friend's car as their preference.

### *Findings from parent survey:*

- 7% of families said that they already carpooled with other families. This is higher than indicated by the proportion of students (2%) that said that they travelled in a friend's car to college.
- Most parents (93%) are not interested in carpooling. 23% of parents said that they would carpool with other families if they knew or had met the driver. 10% of parents said that they would be interested if someone else organised it.

## 4.4 Public Transport

### *Findings from student survey:*

- On average, over the period of a week, 24% (349) of students travel to/from college by bus.
- 5% more students use the bus to get home from college in the afternoon than in the morning.
- 16% of students would choose to bus/use public transport as their preference.
- 72% of students know of a bus service that goes from near their home to school but only a third of those students will regularly use it
- The main incentive for public transport use is cheaper fares, followed by a quicker service.



*Figure 6: Access to public transport*

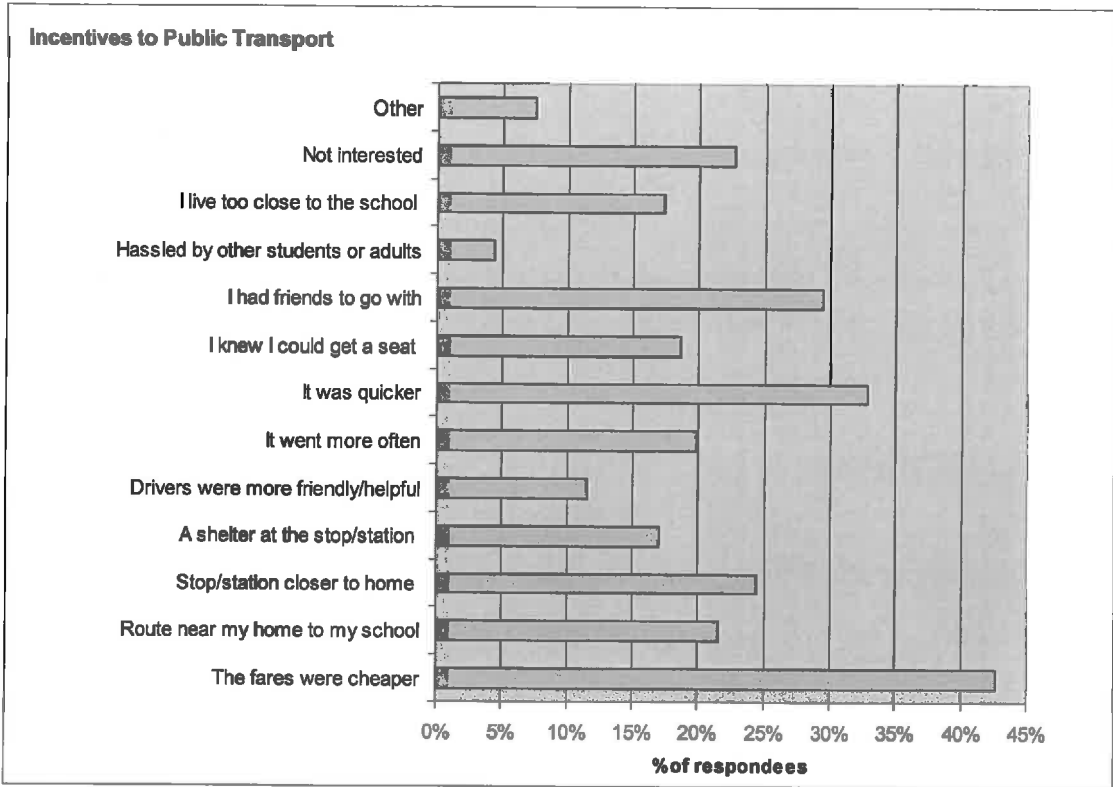


Figure 7: Incentives to Public Transport

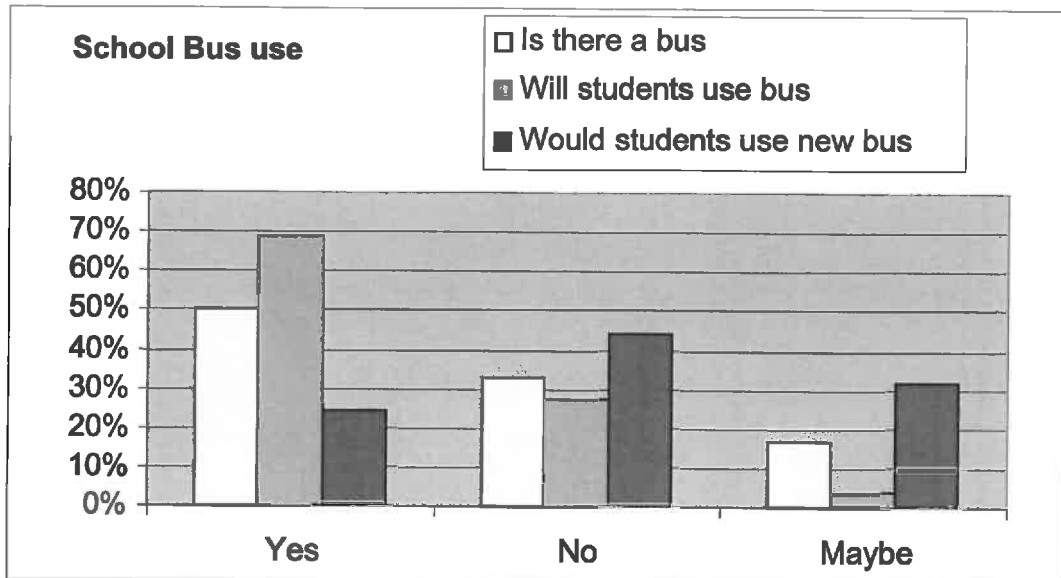


Figure 8: School Bus Use

***Findings from parent survey:***

- Comments made by parents with regard to public transport include:
  - Bus is probably too expensive (29%)
  - Already taking my car out – more convenient (29%)

## 4.5 Walking

***Findings from student survey:***

- On average, over the period of a week, 44% of students (631) walk to/from college (either by themselves or with other students).
- 8% more students walk home from college in the afternoon than walk to school.
- 161 students would prefer to walk than do currently.
- Walking is the most preferred way of getting to and from college.

***Findings from parent survey:***

- Comments made by parents with regard to walking indicated more parents would allow their children to walk to school if:
  - They lived closer to the school (37%).
  - There were more / safer places to cross the road/s (15%).
  - They had friends to walk with (13%).

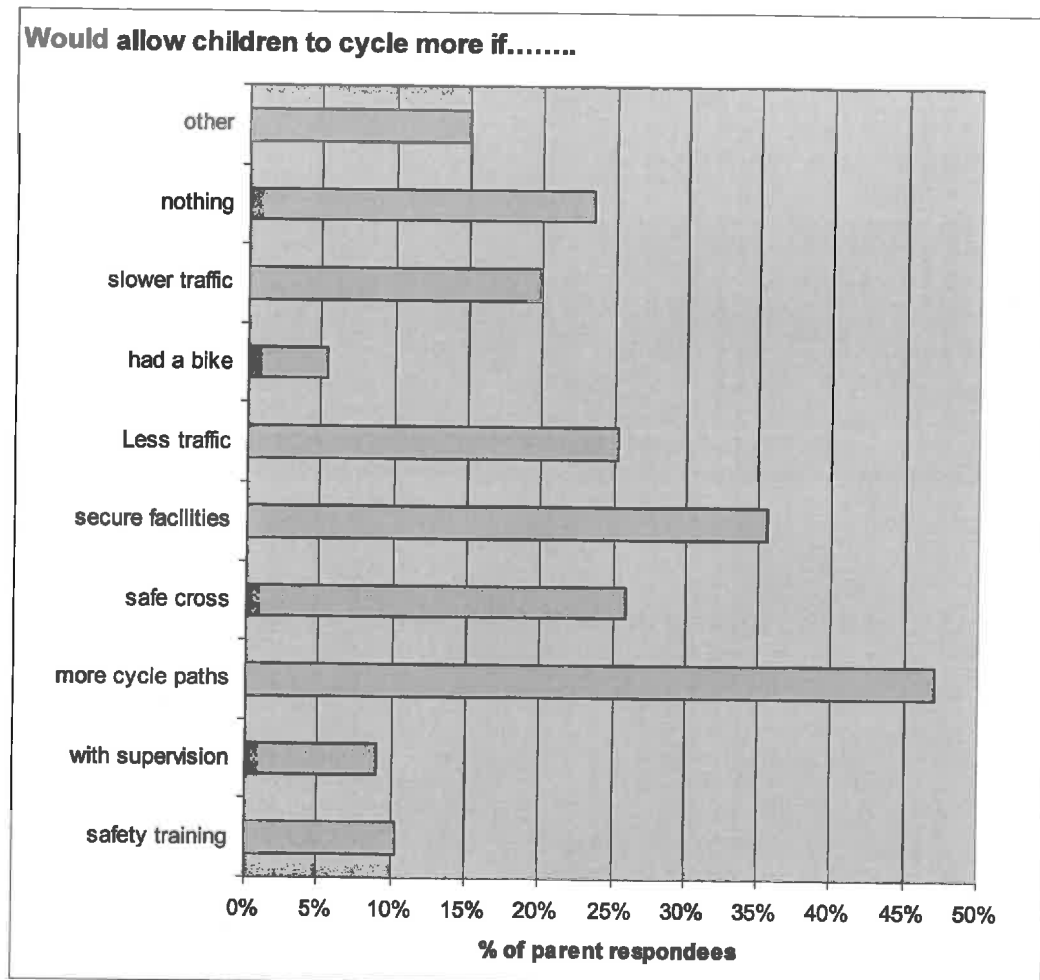
## 4.6 Cycling

***Findings from student survey:***

- On average, over the period of a week, 2% of students (24) cycle to college.
- Cycling is preferred by 9% of students.

**Findings from parent survey:**

- 49% of students have a bike, however only 4% of them cycle to school
- More cycle paths and secure facilities were the two main things that would encourage more parents to allow their children to cycle to school



**Figure 9: Main factors that would encourage parents to allow their children to cycle to/from school**

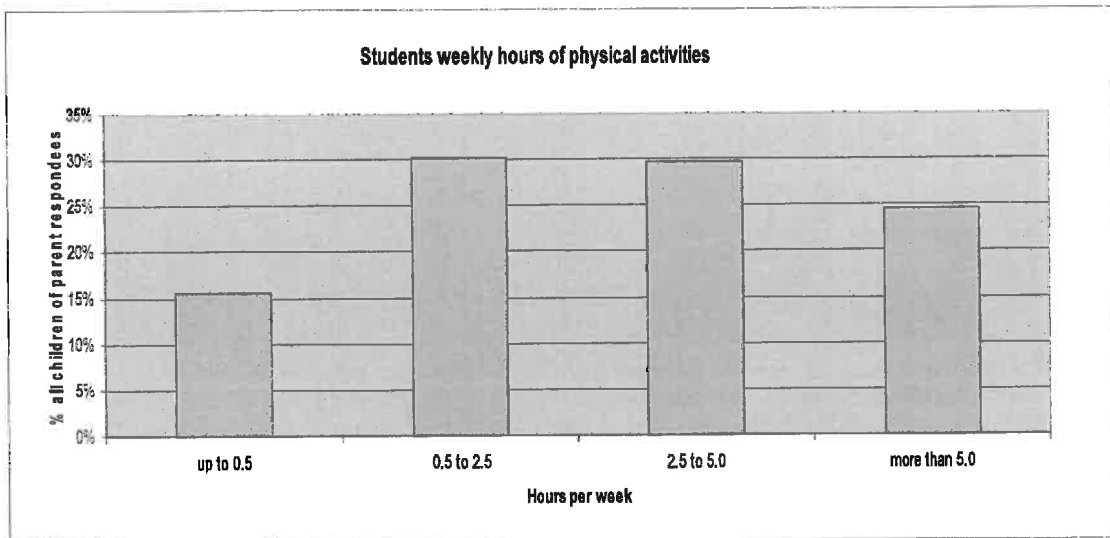
## 4.7 Scooter

**Findings from student survey:**

- Only 2 students use a scooter to travel to/from school.
- 20 students would like to scooter to/from school.

## 4.8 Levels of Physical Activity

- 46% of students in the families surveyed spend less than 2.5hrs per week on physical activities outside of college hours.



**Figure 10: Number of hours per week that students exercise outside of college**

## 5 Survey Results – Staff Travel

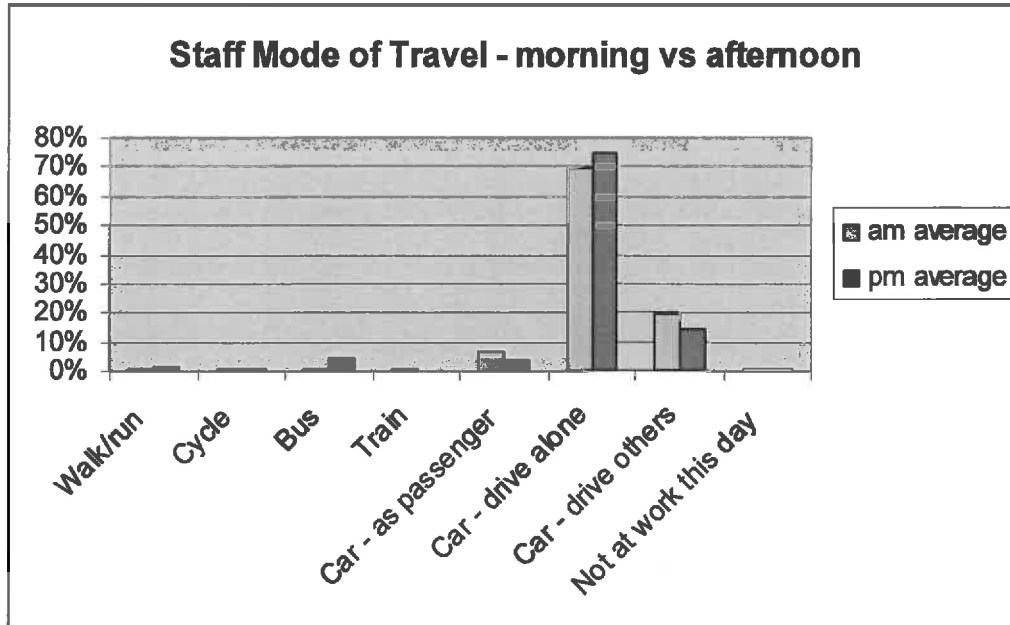


Figure 11: Staff mode of travel – morning and afternoon

### 5.1 Car Travel

- On average, over the period of a week 94% of the staff members at Avondale College travelled to and from work by car.
- There is a degree of ride-sharing with 5% of staff travelling as a passenger in a car and 17% driving others. The ride-sharing is with children who they take to school or another household member who goes to work.

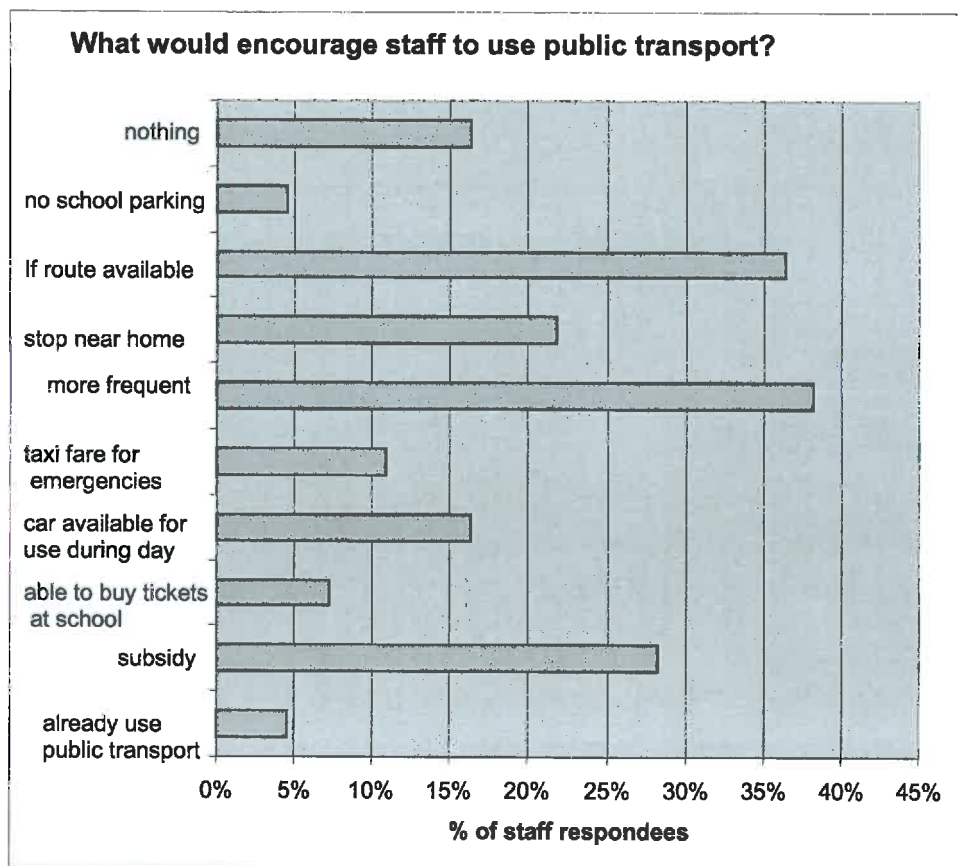
### 5.2 Cycling and Walking

- One teacher walks to/from college. One more teacher walks home from college than walks to college.
- One teacher cycles to work.

- Cycling and walking would not be an option for most staff. Either they are not interested, they live too far away, or have too much to carry.

## 5.3 Public Transport

- Four teachers use public transport to get to work.
- Public transport would not be an option for most staff. Either they are not interested or there are other obstacles such as the time factor, too much to carry, and after-college activities. A few staff may be encouraged to use the bus provided there were a bus route nearby, more frequent services and incentives such as cheaper fares and a car available for use during the day.



**Figure 12: Factors that would encourage staff to use public transport**

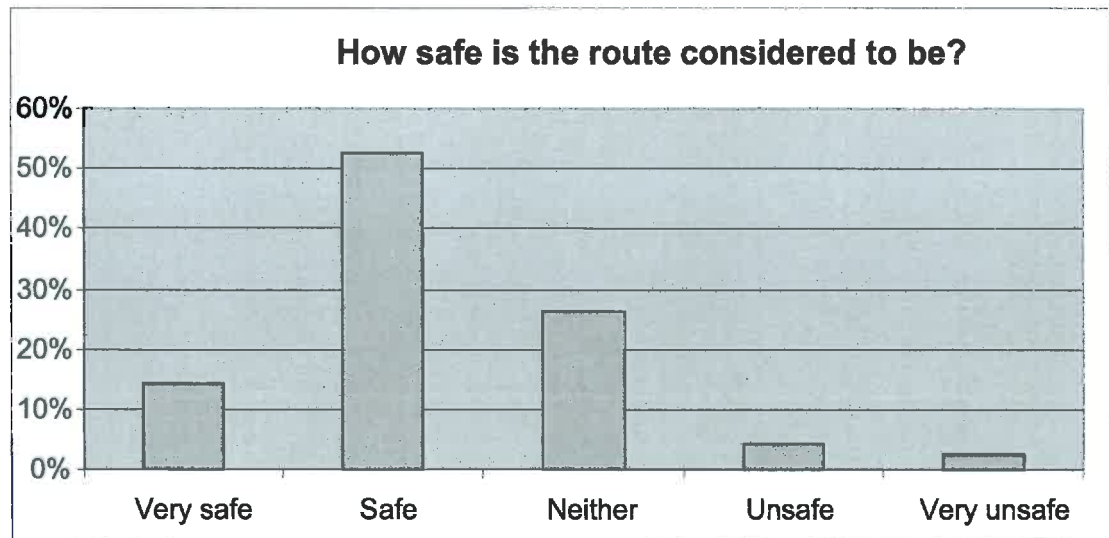


## 5.4 Carpooling

- Carpooling would not be an option for most staff. 15 staff members that do not already carpool may be encouraged to share a ride with another staff member to work. The most important consideration is if other staff worked the same hours.
- Other considerations were:
- If someone organised carpooling at the school.
- If a taxi fare was provided for emergencies during work hours.
- If there were vehicles available for personal or work use during the day.

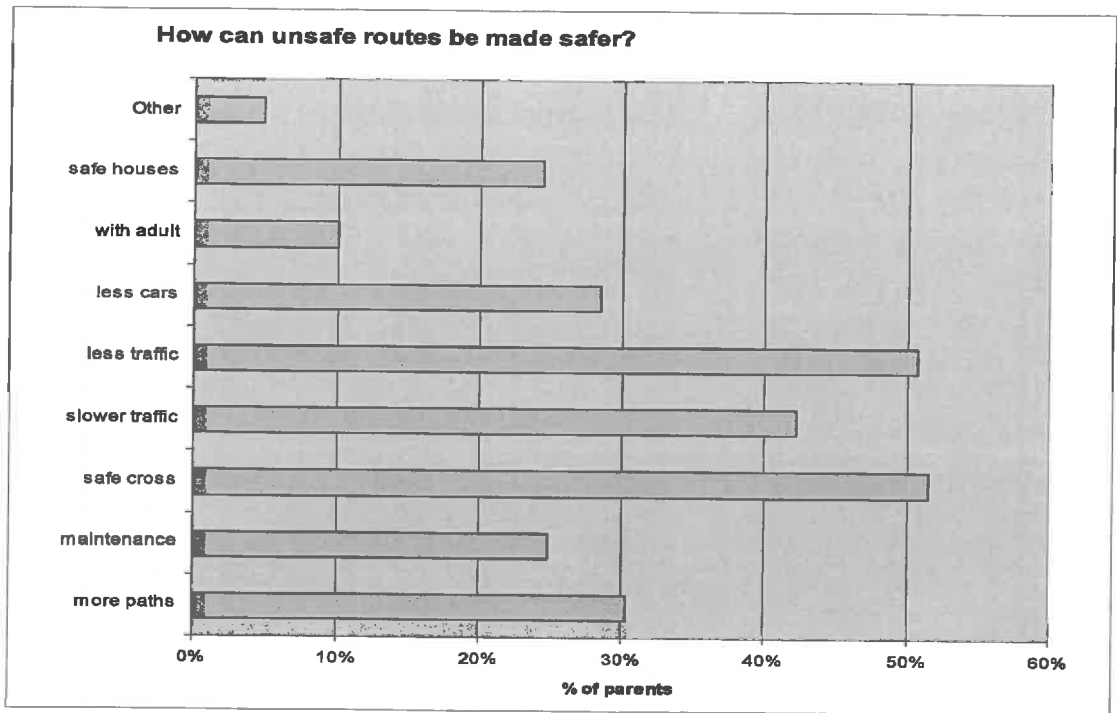
## 6 Safety of Route to College

### 6.1 Overall Route Safety



*Figure 13: Safety of route to school*

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- Most parents (53%) think it's safe for children to walk/cycle in their neighbourhood without an adult present in the daytime.
- Some parents (39%) know other people in their neighbourhood quite well.
- Over 50% of parents believe the route to college can be made safer by having less traffic and more safe crossing points



**Figure 14: How can unsafe routes be made safer?**

## 6.2 Safety Issues Summary

The table below shows a summary of the concerns raised regarding the area surrounding the school. A full list of concerns can be found in Appendix 2.

Road/Intersection	Comments	Frequency
Rosebank Road	<p>Speed and volume of traffic</p> <p>Busy intersections to cross – especially Ash/Rosebank and Victor/Rosebank</p> <p>Too many trucks</p> <p>Children crossing unsafely/no safe places to cross</p> <p>Red light running outside school</p>	68
Ash Street/Rosebank Road	<p>Unsafe driver behaviour – red light running, cars sitting across intersections</p> <p>Speed and volume of traffic</p> <p>Busy intersection</p> <p>Difficult to cross – lots of students, not enough time to cross</p>	34
Victor Street	<p>Too much traffic</p> <p>Unsafe to cross</p> <p>Unsafe and dirty</p> <p>Cars double parked reducing visibility</p>	31
Great North Road	<p>Speed and volume of traffic</p> <p>Cars run red lights</p> <p>Unsafe to cross</p>	25
Ash Street	<p>Speed and volume of traffic</p> <p>Unsafe driver activity/Cars don't give way</p> <p>No pedestrian crossing, difficult to cross</p>	20
Blockhouse Bay Road	<p>No safe place to cross</p> <p>Speed and volume of traffic</p> <p>Red light running</p>	13

**Table 2: Summary of main safety concerns**

## 7 Conclusions

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- On average, over the period of a week, 27% of students travel to/from college by car, while 44% walk.
- In the morning, 40% of car trips to college are made by parents who go straight home afterwards, and in the afternoon, 44% of car trips are made by parents who come to college from home.
- When asked their preferred mode of travel students would rather:
  - Travel less by car
  - Travel less by bus ( the main incentive to more bus travel was cheaper fares)
  - Travel more by bicycle
  - Continue walking (the number who would like to walk is the same as the number currently walking)
- 15% more parents would allow their children to walk if there were safer places to cross
- 47% more parents would allow their children to cycle if there were more cycle paths, and 36% if there were secure facilities
- The main safety concerns are around Rosebank Road, with speed and volume of traffic and the lack of safe crossing places the main issues
- The Ash Street/Rosebank Road intersection, Victor Street and Great North Road were all frequently mentioned, particularly with respect to the speed and volume of traffic, lack of safe crossing points, and unsafe driver behaviour, such as red light running.

# 8 Appendices

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Appendix 1: Modal Maps

Appendix 2: Safety Concerns

Appendix 3: Additional Comments

## Appendix Two: Safety Concerns

Road/Intersection	Comments
Alberton/Mt Albert	Too many cars, busy intersection with a lot of traffic & foot traffic. Volume of traffic x9 Speed of traffic x4 Cars don't give way Hard/unsafe to cross x2 Pedestrian phase too short to get across x2 No pedestrian crossing x2 Unsafe driver activity
Ash Street	"Far too much traffic for pupils to cycle through". Unsafe driver behaviour - Red light runners, lack of courtesy to pedestrians, cars sitting across intersections x3 Speed of cars x7 Unsafe to cross x8 Volume of traffic x9 Busy intersection x3 Not suitable for cycling Lots of students crossing
Ash Street/Rosebank Road - Intersection	Not enough time to cross x2 "Huge crossing takes time to cross the road in busy rush hour". Heavy traffic not suitable for cycling Busy Intersection x2 Unsafe to cross
Ash Street/Rata Street - Intersection	"Cars speeding around this area is very high due to a low number of people walking".
Ash/Sandy	Speed is unsafe here, need crossing or lights.
Aspen	Too much traffic
Aspen	Traffic
Aspen/Victor St - Junction	Students dropped off at junction without courtesy to the following cars
Avondale Rd	Overgrown plants.
Avondale Rd Dairies.	Kids running between shops, very busy.
Avondale/Eastdale/Rosebank	Cars ignore lights, block crossing way for pedestrians, & have been witness to kids being hit here not fatally as yet.
Avondale/Fonteyn	Narrow footpaths. Overgrown hedges
Avondale/Rosebank	Speed, cars not stopping for kids crossing.
Avondale/Rosebank	Cars running red lights.
Avondale/Rosebank - Intersection	Speed of cars Cars run red lights
Balgrove/Canal	Vicious dogs
Beatrix	Dogs loose
Belgrove St	Groups of kids (gangs).
Blockhouse Bay	No safe place to cross





Blockhouse Bay	between Craddock & Powell: Need a crossing here.
Blockhouse Bay	Reckless drivers
Blockhouse Bay Rd	No cycle path.
BLOCKHOUSE BAY RD	Speeding cars, heavy traffic.
Blockhouse Bay Rd	Kids don't ride on the road because there are too many cars.
Blockhouse Bay Road	Volume of traffic which makes it hard to cross the road safely
Blockhouse Bay Road	Volume of traffic
	No zebra crossing
Blockhouse Bay Road	No safe places to cross the street
Blockhouse Bay Road	Pedestrian lights need to go on for longer
Blockhouse Bay/Lavard St	
	Volume of traffic
Blockhouse Bay/New Nth	Speed of cars, volume of traffic, hard to cross.
	Speed of cars
Brains Road	Unsafe
	Peak times - traffic build up
	Speed of traffic
Canal Road	drivers ignore stop signs
Canal Road	Unsafe and dirty
Canal Road	Unsafe and dirty
	Too many cars park beside footpath - Stranger danger
Canal Road	Need safe houses
Canal Road	Youth gangs.
Canal Road	The intersections don't give way to children to cross the road
Canal Road	Groups of kids (gangs).
	Quiet and empty
Canal Road	Stranger Danger
	Footpaths need upgrading
Canal to School enroute	Rain pools force kids to walk curb or on road
Eastdale	Too much traffic
Eastdale Rd - Intersection	Impatient drivers at lights
	Busy intersections
Elm	Speed of traffic
	No flow traffic congested
Elm - After School	Students don't Give Way to cars
	Need better transit system as it is not always reliable
General Comments	Far from being world class
	Heavy traffic
Great North Road	Speeding cars
Great North Road	Speed and volume of traffic
Great North Road	Busy intersection.
	Students crossing halfway down the road from the lights setting a bad example for younger Students
Great North Road	Cars park across footpath an on footpaths
Great North Road	Driveways with high fences / rubbish bins
Great North Road	Volume of traffic
	Near St Marys School ~ less pedestrians crossing thus kids have problem crossing.
Great North Road	Crossings ~ cars speeding through red lights.
Great North Road	Walking through Metro Sports Grounds ~ Strangers lurking.
Great North Road	Speed, volume of cars.
Great North Road	Volume of traffic, unsafe places to cross.
Great North Road ~	Speed of cars, volume of traffic, hard to cross.

Avondale Shops. Great North Road/Blockhouse Bay Great North Road /Rosebank Great North Road/St Georges Great North Road Great North Road/Henry Great North Road /Sabulite - Intersection Henry/Great North Road Highbree St	No pedestrian traffic lights here, unsafe driver behaviour.  Cars run red lights often, & when kids are crossing.  Heavy traffic, unsafe to cross. Too much traffic Cars run red lights Cars always run red lights Unsafe to cross Lots of traffic. Groups of kids (gangs). No Pedestrian crossings to warn drivers to stop for kids crossing Turning vehicles not using signal lights No covered walkway going to school
Holly Street	No Pedestrian crossing
Holly Street	Very busy in morning en rout from bus stop on Gt North Rd to school
Holly Street	Vicious dogs.
Holly Street	Unsafe driver behaviour.
Kaurilands Road, Titirangi Lights	There is no where for children to cross by Konini Road Cars running red lights on intersections/pedestrians are very unsafe
Mead/Rosebank	Cars and buses speeding around bend
Mead/Rosebank/Victor	Cycle lanes run out Trees/bushes across footpath. Broken glass Stranger Danger - occasionally frequented by people who may be of poor character
Metro/Oakley Creek	Too many cars and it is long
New North Rd	No crossing places
New North Rd	Traffic speed. Very unsafe for children to cross the road Volume of traffic and only lights at both ends of the circle The lights up the top mean 2 or 3 waits before getting to the right side of the road, so children try to cross before getting to the lights Isolated, quiet.
New North Road Oakley Cres Phyllis St Reserve/Oakley Creek	Secluded and out of public view ( but halves journey time from our home)
Piane St	Illegally parked cars blocking pedestrians visibility.
Rangeview	Lack of safety. Neighbourhood unsafe
Rata Rd	Speed of cars. No safe place to cross
Rata St	Heavy traffic. Heavy traffic, Road too wide, 4lanes + Middle + cycle ways? Ash St footpaths too cramped (nth Side) by trees plenty of heavy trucks intimidating.
Rata/Ash/Great North	Cars running red lights, especially dangerous when pedestrians have right of way.
Rata/Binstead	Footpath condition poor
Riversdale	Not enough pedestrian crossings Kids cross without using crossings
Riversdale Rd	Sometimes there is a black dog loose in the road, barking and looking vicious ( it might belong to a family) around numbers 10 – 20
Riversdale Road	Vicious dogs
Riversdale/Rosebank	No safe places to cross the street
Riversdale/Rosebank	Installation of new lights would make it safer to cross for kids. Busy intersections

Rosebank Road Rosebank/Victor	No cycle path. Kids running out in front of traffic.
Rosebank Road	Too much traffic Speed of cars Congestion
Rosebank Road Rosebank Road	Too much traffic coming all directions Unsafe to cross Drivers don't give way This main road unsafe for my kids
Rosebank Road Rosebank Road	More lights Cars too fast Too much traffic
Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road	Too much traffic No pedestrian crossings until you get close to school Too much traffic both ways Traffic is horrendous Speed of cars
Rosebank Road Rosebank Road	Speed of cars Unsafe to cross near school Heavy traffic
Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank - Around school	Heavy traffic Speeding cars Too much traffic Need more "Slow Down/Beware of Children" signs
Rosebank Road- Entrance	Student cars leaving the grounds Drivers turn into college against red arrow
Rosebank Road – Pedestrian crossing Rosebank Int. ~ Avondale Shops.	Needs to be patrolled Students jay walk with traffic Heavy traffic, narrow road, pedestrians not crossing at crossings. Too many trucks pull in and out of drive ways making it hard for them to see children
Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road	Volume of traffic Too much traffic. Heavy traffic, unsafe for kids walking. heavy traffic. Avondale College kids not crossing safely, dashing in front of cars. Speed of cars unsafe. Heavy traffic. Speed of cars, volume of cars. Speed, volume of cars. Too much commercial traffic. Too many trucks going too fast. Kids not crossing at safe places. Traffic too fast, kids crossing at lights before it's safe, cars not slowing down.
Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road	Speed of cars, difficult to cross. traffic speed is unsafe. Heavy traffic after school. Pedestrian lights are too short .
Rosebank Road Rosebank Road Rosebank Road	Speed of cars When cars go to the crossing they don't slow down Volume of traffic, unsafe places to cross. Outside school ~ Traffic not always stopping at red lights, too much traffic.

Rosebank Road - Near Canal Rd	Volume of traffic in the morning and the afternoon
Rosebank Road - near Victor	Speed of cars makes it unsafe for children to cross the road
Rosebank Road to Canal Rd	Unsafe driver behaviour
Rosebank Road to Great North Rd	Unsafe driver behaviour
Rosebank Road/Ash St – Intersection	An extremely busy intersection for children to cross who have to walk up to the Avondale train station
Rosebank Road/Great North Road	Cars travel fast when no congested Fast traffic in one direction
Rosebank Road	Too much traffic
Rosebank Road	Volume and speed of cars
Rosebank Road	Traffic jams
	Volume of cars
Rosebank Road	Feels unsafe for crossing even though lights are there
Rosebank Road	Volume of Traffic
	Rude students walking through carpark or on drive when coming to pick up my son from sport
Rosebank Road - Gate 3	Busy traffic in mornings.
Rosebank/Ash	Heavy traffic.
Rosebank/Ash	Kids crossing dangerously in large numbers.
Rosebank/Ash	Busy.
Rosebank/Ash	Busy int. , Wide streets hard to cross at pedestrian crossing signal/
Rosebank/Ash	Large intersection, heavy traffic.
Rosebank/St Georges - Intersection	Too much traffic
Rosebank/Victor	Unsafe to cross
Rosebank/Victor	No crossings.
Rosebank/Victor	Heavy traffic & pedestrians.
	Pedestrian lights are too short phased. Unsafe for kids who get stuck in the middle of the road.
Rosebank/Victor	Busy intersections
Rosebank/Victor	Need lockers for students to put PT Gear etc
Soljah/New north	Heavy traffic, no safe place to cross.
St George Road/St Jude St - Corner	Volume of traffic near big roundabout Unsafe for children
	Speed of cars
St Georges Road	Unsafe to cross
	Not enough places to cross
St Georges Road	Speed of traffic
	There are no fences for the train and its dangerous when trains are passing
St Georges Road	Speed of cars, traffic.
St Jude/St Georges Road	Avondale roundabout.
St Jude/Wingate/Great North Road	Too much traffic.
St Judes Street	Cars go too fast and hard to see them
Te Atatu Exit	Crossing at exit of motorway
Titirangi	Too much traffic
Tiverton Roundabout	Too many cars, hard to cross here.
Veronica St	Too busy with dangerous foot paths
Victor Street	Kids amble across road in the morning
Victor Street	Too congested

Victor Street	Cars double park to drop off kids
Victor Street	Unsafe and dirty
Victor Street	Narrow footpaths
Victor Street	Unsafe and dirty
	Congestion
Victor - By College	Heavy pedestrian use
	Volume of traffic
Victor Street	Too busy
Victor Street	People stop on yellow line and nobody takes any action
Victor Street	Too many parked cars, congested.
Victor Street	Heavy traffic.
Victor Street	Too much traffic.
Victor Street	Dirty.
Victor Street	Less cars stopping or parking near the main entrance to the school
Victor Street	Speeding cars.
Victor Street	Congestion due to parked cars.
Victor Street	hard to park and too many cars after school
Victor Street	Kids sometimes can't see the traffic
Victor Street	Cat that malts, unhygienic & unsafe.
	Double parked cars, no safe drop off point for kids, buses trying to get into school, congestion.
Victor Street	Parked cars, poor vision, heavy traffic.
Victor Street	
Victor Street - Near entrance	Volume of cars parking on both sides of the road
Victor Street - Pedestrian crossing	Students just walk out without looking
Victor Street/Ash Street	Speed of cars.
Victor Street/Great North Road	Crossing here is dangerous.
Victor/Holly St - Intersection	Too many cars turn at this intersection
Victor Street/Plane	Kids stepping out in front of traffic.
Victor Street/Rosebank Road	Busy intersection, lights should be installed here, not just ped. lights.
Victor Street/Rosebank Road	Lights ~ crossing not used correctly creating traffic on busy intersection.
Victor Street/Rosebank Road	Students dashing across the street very unsafe, not using ped lights.
	Student drivers and others pulling out in front of traffic travelling along Rosebank Road
	Right hand turn from Victor into Rosebank Road
	Heavy traffic, high crash area for cars not stopping at stop sign, not safe for kids walking, needs speed bumps, crossing or lights.
Wairau/Canal	
Wairu St	Heavy traffic, speeding cars, not safe to cross.

# Appendix Three: Additional Comments

## Walking Issues

- A lot of cars go through red lights on the crossing at Great North Road
- Open the gate on the field every morning and after school, it is more safe to walk across the field then on the road and its quicker
- There are too many people that walk along Rosebank Rd because the field is unavailable
- Stranger Danger - homeless and drunk people
- When wet, the bricks in the middle of Avondale are very slippery in school sandals and shoes with little grip
- Being hassled by others on my way to school
- Dogs on the loose, Riversdale Road
- Heavy traffic, high speeds, narrow footpaths, messy overgrown bushes
- Speed of cars. Running orange lights. Travelling too fast to get through lights.
- It is highly unsafe for children just randomly crossing the road with no care and where there is no pedestrian crossing
- Student cars leaving the grounds
- Drivers turn into college against red arrow
- Not enough crossings, heavy, fast traffic

## Bus Issues

- Ritchie Bus is unreliable 063
- The bus sometimes doesn't come - Bus Route: 063
- The buses are always late which causes me to be late at least once a week. The bus from Mt Albert is so late. Bus Route: 211
- Nothing the buses are great - Bus Route: 179
- There is only one school bus from New Windsor to school (the school bus) otherwise you have to catch the bus from New Lynn then change bus to go to Avondale
- My daughter is unable to tell which bus is for Avondale when Green Bay and Kelston buses come along at the same time  
They do not have route numbers showing and don't have school name on front of bus
- Bullying at bus stop. No bus shelter. Pupils frequently cross the road in heavy traffic and DO NOT use the pedestrian crossing. Rude students walking through carpark or on drive when coming to pick up my son from sport

## Cycling Issues

- Great North Rd - Cycleway - Very lumpy surface on the shared footpath/cycleway
- St Georges/St Judes roundabout.- Not safe for cyclists at rush hour
- Unable to ride due to uniform
- Sometimes it is not safe to ride on the road due to volume of traffic and cars parked on the side of the road
- My bike would get stolen or trashed
- Cycle lanes needed
- If they put more slow down signs for the cars and if they fixed the footpath

## Train Issues

- Train Station - Secluded, often quiet