

## Tennyson St crossings

The risks of crossing Tennyson St, especially for children and older pedestrians, have long been a concern to residents and the BNA. At present there are no pedestrian crossings, only two central refuge islands for pedestrians.

Some progress was made at an August joint meeting of the two community boards that straddle Tennyson St (Cashmere-Spreydon and Linwood-Central-Heathcote). A traffic plan was agreed which includes four sets of “road pillows” in the section from Norwood St to Southampton St, where the two refuge islands are. Road pillows are a kind of partial speed hump.

The aim is to slow the traffic through that key section where children have to cross Tennyson St. It’s not yet a pedestrian-priority crossing, but slowing the traffic will help in the short term, and may permit the addition of a zebra crossing in the medium term. For a diagram of the new plan, see our web page ([betterbeckenham.org.nz](http://betterbeckenham.org.nz)) or search the City Council website for the community board agenda from 8 August.

## Good uses for Hunter Terrace?

The South Christchurch Farmers’ Market is now operating on Hunter Terrace. This was enabled by the road being closed to motor traffic, which removes the need for traffic safety plans.

Locals have commented that Hunter Tce is now a relaxing place for dog walking, or children playing, because it’s a safe space. The BNA is exploring other community uses for this space throughout the week (the Farmers’ Market is only Sunday mornings). Ideas include some painted children’s play-streets which could be used for learning to cycle, or a basketball hoop. Comments or offers of help on this welcome.

## 2021/2022 BNA Committee

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You are encouraged to become a BNA member! Get updates on activities, or come to committee meetings (held 4th Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm at South Library).

### ✂ 2022-2023 BNA membership

To check your membership status please email chair Dave Kelly ([dave.kelly@canterbury.ac.nz](mailto:dave.kelly@canterbury.ac.nz)) or treasurer Phil Grey ([phil.grey@wam.co.nz](mailto:phil.grey@wam.co.nz)).

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# Beckenham News

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*South Chch Farmers’ Market on Hunter Tce*

## BNA AGM, 28 September

In this newsletter:

- The **BNA Annual General Meeting is on Wednesday 28 September 2022**, at 7:00 pm at Beckenham Service Centre (South Library). This will include a talk describing progress on the South Library building replacement.
- Updates on Tennyson St, Beckenham Park and other local projects

## Annual General Meeting of the Beckenham Neighbourhood Association Inc.

7:00 pm, 28 September 2022,  
Beckenham Service Centre boardroom  
(South Library)

The Annual General Meeting of the BNA will be at 7pm on Wednesday 28 **September**, in the **Beckenham Service Centre boardroom**.

We will cover:

- An update by City Council staff on **progress in the plans for replacing the South Library building** post-earthquake. This will include a summary of public feedback in the first round of comments in July.
- The official **AGM business** (annual report, financial accounts, election of officers, and rule changes)
- Update on South Chch Farmers' Market
- Progress on crossings on Tennyson St
- Uses for the closed part of Hunter Tce
- Roadside gardens at the Birdwood-Malcolm corner
- Plans for cycle pump track

See more detail on these elsewhere in this newsletter. Come along to have your say, and to catch up with other Beckenham residents.

## Memorial seats by Methodist Church

A new roadside seating area is being built outside the Methodist Church in Malcolm Ave.



The project is in memory of June and Norm Allen, who had been involved in the church community for 80 years. Their sons Grant, Russel, David and John are involved in the co-creation of this seasonal garden to honour their parents, who were both passionate gardeners and community workers. The BNA is hoping to renovate adjacent roadside garden beds to make the whole area a better community space.

## Beckenham Park pavilion

Work on replacing the Beckenham Pavilion floor will be close to completion in September. This restored 88-year-old building is a valuable community space. It is used in summer by Southern Districts Cricket Club, and in winter by Cashmere Technical Football Club. The historical cricket club photos, recently digitised, will be re-hung on the walls. Work is advancing to collate SDCC club history ahead of its 2026 centenary. Several former members have provided historical photos and annual reports. Existing images can be viewed at [www.southerndistrictscricket.co.nz/historical-](http://www.southerndistrictscricket.co.nz/historical-photos)

[photos](#). The club welcome any further discoveries in coming months.



As the new cricket season begins, SDCC are again welcoming players, spectators, and volunteer pavilion hosts young and older. The hosts ensure everyone, particularly the Saturday morning juniors, feel welcomed at Beckenham Park. For more information visit the SDCC website or call 027 8363415.

## Want faster updates? Get on our email list

We emailed this newsletter out to all members whose email address we know. **If you are a member and didn't get this by email a week ago**, we may not have your email address. Please send that with your name and house number to Dave Kelly (see back page), so we can send future updates promptly.

For more info on BNA activities:

- see our website [betterbeckenham.org.nz](http://betterbeckenham.org.nz)
- join the BNA (see back page).
- see the Better Beckenham facebook page.