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Where people travel in Christchurch has changed.

More people are now working in the suburbs, and using their local facilities, so while retaining good transport links to the central city is important, we need to reflect this change.

Fewer passengers are now using the buses because our current services don't meet their needs. We need to make changes to encourage more bus usage, increase our financial viability and better reflect the 'new' Christchurch.

New proposed routes will bring more buses to key suburban locations, such as Papanui and Barrington. Although not all services will continue to travel via the city centre, good connections will be provided between services.



Proposed Changes

Environment Canterbury is proposing to introduce a new, more efficient design of bus network. This will be a network that makes it easier to travel from anywhere-to-anywhere across the city as well as to the central city. High-frequency services will link major destinations across Christchurch, and these will be supported by local routes which connect at key suburban hubs.

These suburban hubs are places where bus routes will be timetabled to connect so passengers can change to other buses travelling to further destinations. Suburban hubs will be developed at major suburban centres (such as Papanui, Riccarton and Eastgate), and will be well lit, warm internal spaces. Initially these may be on-street but eventually some hubs will be upgraded to high quality off-street bus terminals.

The first stage proposes changes to services that currently operate to the north and south of the city.

Suburbs affected include (but are not limited to) Cashmere, Beckenham, Barrington, St Martins, Sydenham, Merivale, St Albans, Bryndwr, Papanui, Casebrook, Redwood, Belfast, and the Waimakariri District.

Bus routes 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 18, 20, 22, 46, 90, and 92, 912 and 913 will be replaced with new services.

Routes 28 and 60, while not changing, are also included in this proposal as we will be extending these routes to additional destinations.

Central to the proposal is the introduction of a new high-frequency service, route 1 from Belfast to Princess Margaret Hospital, which makes full use of bus lanes to provide a high quality reliable service.

The map overleaf shows the proposed new bus routes to take effect in late 2012.

This is the first stage of implementation of this network design across Greater Christchurch. Following further public consultation, it is expected that the rest of the Christchurch bus network will be redeveloped in the future.

CHRISTCHURCH NETWORK PROPOSED NEW SERVICES

Peak times are approx 7am - 9am
and 3pm - 6pm weekdays

For more information about the proposed new services, including details about operating hours, please go to our website www.metroinfo.co.nz

1 **1 Belfast – City – Princess Margaret Hospital**

New high-frequency core bus service between Belfast and Princess Margaret Hospital via Papanui Rd and Colombo St. Some trips continue to Kaiapoi and Rangiora (see overleaf for further information). This service makes full use of existing bus lanes to provide a high quality, reliable service. Buses will run every 10 to 15 minutes during the day until 7pm, and every 30 minutes at all other times.

Proposed Local services that travel via the city:

17 **17 Northwood – City – Huntsbury**

Key destinations include Christchurch City, Northlands Mall, Sydenham and St Martins. Buses run every 30 minutes weekdays and hourly at all other times.

28 **28 Lyttelton/Rapaki – City - Northlands**

The existing Lyttelton bus service will be extended to Papanui via Cranford St. Buses run every 15 minutes at peak times and half hourly at all other times.

60 **60 Parklands – City – Hillmorton**

The existing Parklands service will be extended via the city to Barrington, Hillmorton and Halswell. Buses will run every 20 minutes at peak travel times and every half hour at other times.

Buses that will connect at Northlands with high-frequency route 1 buses to and from the city and Sydenham:

Additional connections will be available at Northlands for travel to other major destinations including the Airport, Canterbury University, The Palms and Sheffield Crescent.

108 **108 Casebrook – Northlands**

New local service from Styx Mill Rd to Northlands. Buses will run every 30 minutes at peak times and hourly at all other times. Trips on this service will continue on to Sheffield Crescent as route 109.

109 **109 Wairakei – Northlands**

New local service from Sheffield Crescent to Northlands via Wairakei Rd and Blighs Rd. Buses will run every 30 minutes at peak times and hourly at all other times. Trips on this service will continue on to Casebrook as route 108.

122 **122 Redwood - Northlands**

New local service from Redwood to Northlands. Buses will run every 15 minutes at peak times and every 30 minutes at all other times. Trips on this service will continue on as the Comet route.

131 **131 Bishopdale – Northlands**

New local service from Sheffield Crescent via Bishopdale to Northlands. Buses will run hourly at all times. Trips on this service will continue on as routes 132 and 133 to St Albans, Shirley, The Palms and Burwood Hospital.

132 **132 Northlands – St Albans – The Palms**

New local service from St Albans and Shirley to Northlands and The Palms. Also provides connections to other services at Edgeware. Buses will run hourly at all times. Trips on this service will continue on as route 131 to Bishopdale and Sheffield Crescent, and route 133 to Burwood Hospital.

Buses that will connect at The Palms with high-frequency route 7 buses to and from the city and Halswell:

133 **133 Marshland – The Palms**

New local service from Marshland and Burwood Hospital to The Palms. Buses will run hourly at all times. Trips on this service will continue on as routes 131 and 132 to Shirley, St Albans, Northlands and Bishopdale.

Buses that will connect at Westfield Riccarton with high-frequency route 3 buses to and from the city and Sumner:

120 **120 Burnside – Riccarton – Barrington**

New local service from Sheffield Crescent to Spreydon via Riccarton and Addington. Also provides connection to other services at Barrington and Selwyn St. Buses will run every 30 minutes weekdays until 7pm, and hourly at all other times.

Buses that will connect at Sydenham with high-frequency route 1 buses to and from the city and Northlands:

111 **111 Westmorland – Sydenham**

New local service from Westmorland to Barrington Mall and Sydenham. Buses will run every 30 minutes at peak times and hourly at all other times.

115 **115 Murray Aynsley – Sydenham**

New local service from Murray Aynsley to Sydenham. Buses will run hourly at all times.

Buses that will connect at Princess Margaret Hospital with high-frequency route 1 buses to and from the city and Northlands:

114 **114 Cashmere - Barrington**

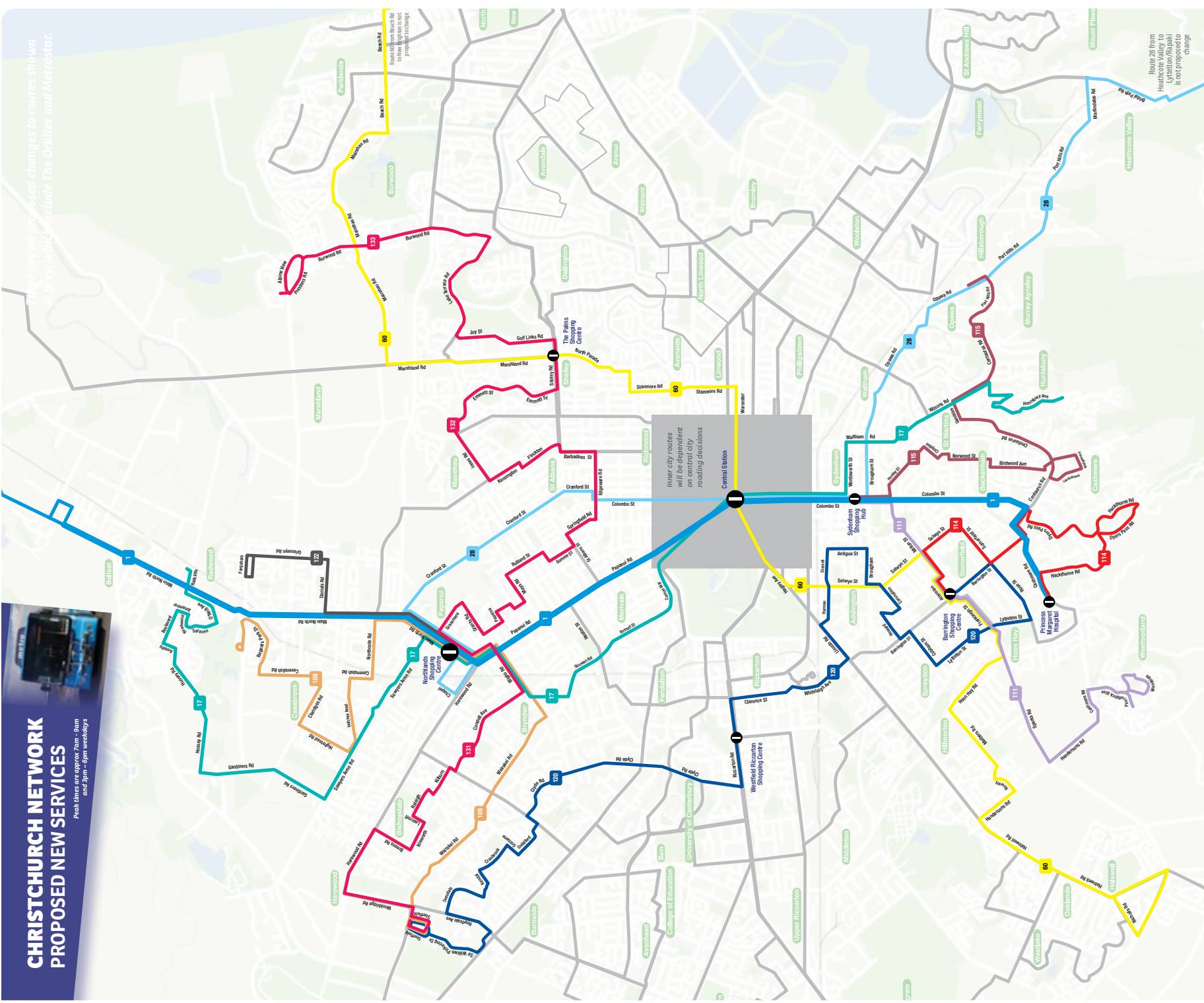
New local service from Princess Margaret Hospital and Cashmere to Barrington Mall. Buses will run every 30 minutes at peak times and hourly at all other times.

CHRISTCHURCH NETWORK PROPOSED NEW SERVICES

Peak times are 7 days a week, 5am - 5pm, and 5pm - 10pm, weekdays.



There are no proposed changes to routes shown in gray, which include The Orbiter and Metrostar.



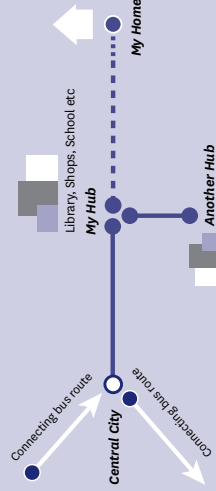
High-frequency services

Link key citywide destinations for fast, frequent travel along key roads, and provide easy connections to local services at suburban hubs. These bus routes will run every 10 to 15 minutes during the day, seven days a week, and half hourly in the evenings.

Existing high-frequency routes include the Orbiter, and routes 3, 5 and 7.

Local services

Take you from your home to your nearest suburban hub (shops, library etc). From here you can connect with high-frequency services that will take you to other places, such as the city centre or another suburban hub. Local buses will wait if connecting services run late. They are proposed to run at a lower-frequency, and in the future may be operated with smaller vehicles.



WAIMAKARIRI NETWORK PROPOSED NEW SERVICES

Peak times are
approx 7am - 9am
and 3pm - 6pm
weekdays

1 1 Rangiora – Kaiapoi – City – Princess Margaret Hospital

This service will run between Rangiora and Princess Margaret Hospital via Kaiapoi, Northlands and the city. Buses will run every 30 minutes weekdays and Saturdays until 7pm, and hourly at all other times.

Trips on this service are an extension of the route 1 high-frequency service to and from Belfast.

1X Rangiora – Kaiapoi – City

This express service will operate at peak times. Morning trips operate from Rangiora and Kaiapoi to the city, and will not pick up passengers after Belfast. Afternoon trips operate from the city to Kaiapoi and Rangiora, and will not drop off passengers before Belfast.

95 Waikuku Beach – Pegasus – Kaiapoi – City

This express service will operate at peak times. Morning trips operate from Waikuku Beach, Pegasus, Woodend and Kaiapoi to the city, and will not pick up passengers after Belfast. Afternoon trips operate from the city to Kaiapoi, Woodend, Pegasus and Waikuku Beach, and will not drop off passengers before Belfast.

Services that will connect at Kaiapoi with route 1 buses to and from Rangiora and Christchurch:

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951/952 Pegasus/Waikuku Beach – Woodend – Kaiapoi

New hourly local service from Kaiapoi to Woodend. Route 951 trips continue on to Pegasus (every 2 hours), and route 952 trips continue on to Waikuku Beach (every 2 hours).

Review Process

If you would like to comment on these proposed changes, please go to www.metroinfo.co.nz and fill out the online feedback form. Alternatively you can email your views to metroreview@ecan.govt.nz, or phone us on 366 8855 and we will send you out a feedback form. You can also come and talk to our staff about the proposed changes at the following times:

Barrington Shopping Centre

Friday 20 July

From 11am – 1pm

Central Station

Tuesday 17 July

From 11am – 1pm

and 4pm – 6pm

Northlands Shopping Centre, near Paper Plus

Thursday 19 July

From 11am – 1pm

and 4pm – 6pm

Rangiora Service Centre Foyer

Wednesday 18 July

From 11am - 1pm

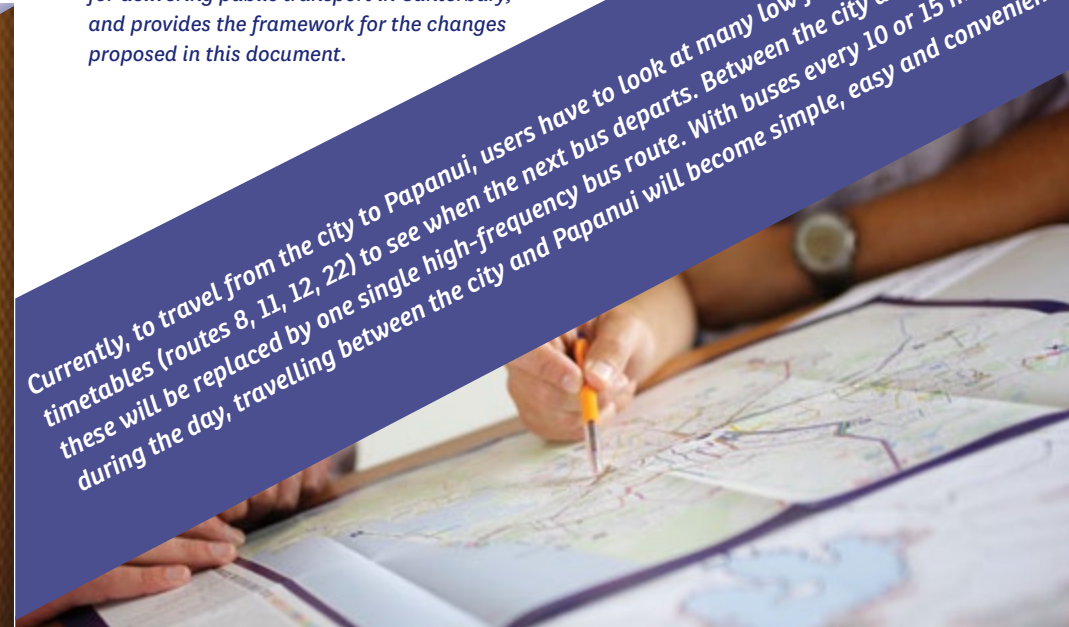
Feedback must be received by **Friday 3 August 2012**.

Feedback we receive about the proposals will be analysed, and we will make further changes if required.

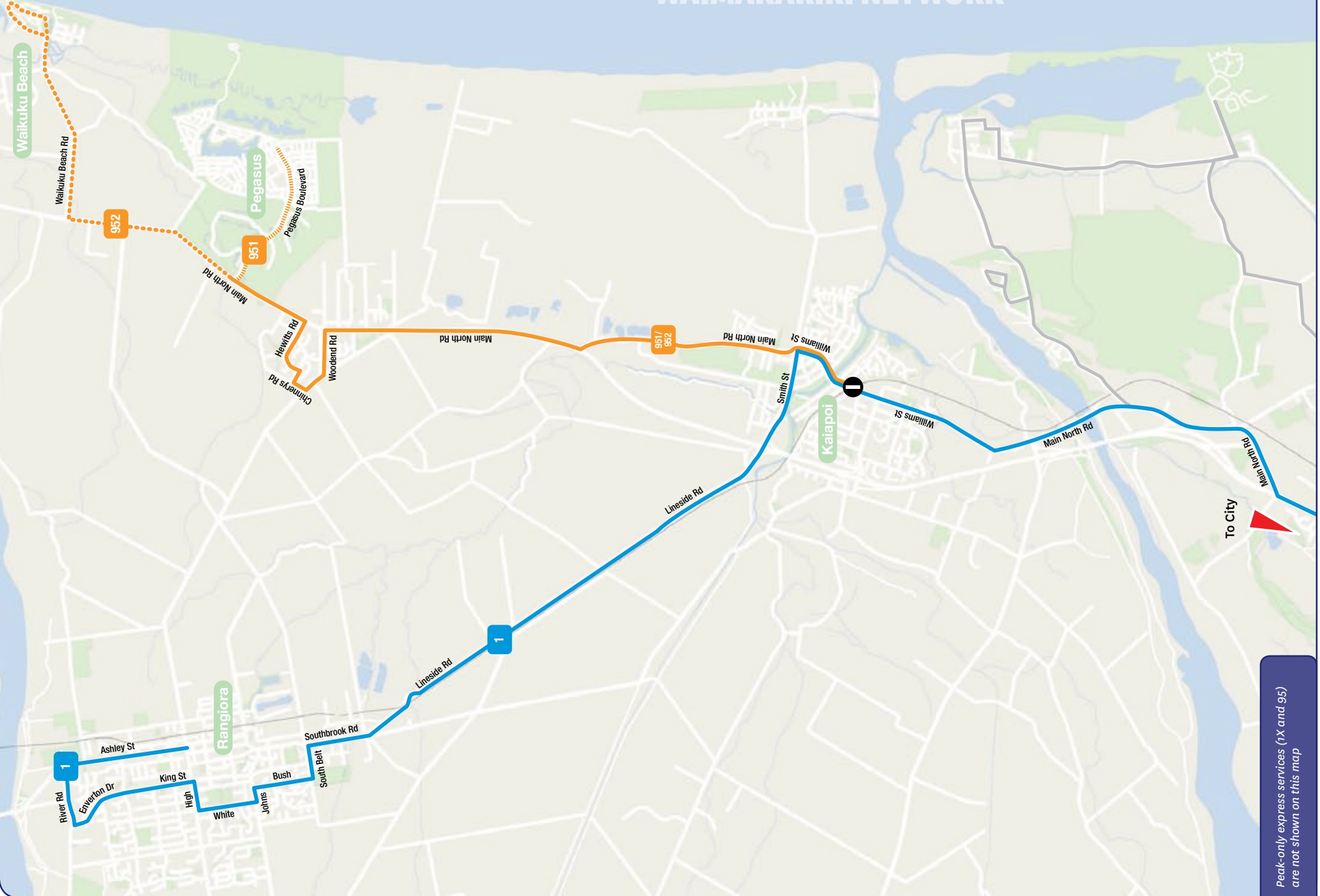
Changes to bus routes will take effect later this year.

The draft Canterbury Regional Public Transport Plan is also currently open for public feedback. This plan sets out Environment Canterbury's objectives and policies for delivering public transport in Canterbury, and provides the framework for the changes proposed in this document.

Currently, to travel from the city to Papanui, users have to look at many low frequency bus timetables (routes 8, 11, 12, 22) to see when the next bus departs. Between the city and Belfast these will be replaced by one single high-frequency bus route. With buses every 10 or 15 minutes during the day, travelling between the city and Papanui will become simple, easy and convenient.



WAIMAKARIRI NETWORK



Peak-only express services (1X and 95) are not shown on this map