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**Submission by Broad Bay School Board of Trustees to the Dunedin City Council 9
Year Plan 2025 - Support for Te Awa Otakou/Peninsula Connection Project**

1. This submission is made by the Broad Bay School Board of Trustees. The key issue submitted to you is that the 9 Year Plan should be confirmed to make provision for the completion of the Te Awa Otakou/Peninsula Connection roading upgrade from Portobello to Harrington Point.
2. Broad Bay School is a primary school catering for Years 1 - 8 and is located at Broad Bay on the Otago Peninsula. Our school children have really seen and enjoyed the wide range of benefits from the Portobello Road widening and shared footpath/cycleway. These have resulted in a vast number of benefits for our school and community such as:
 - a. The improvement works at the beach provide a great amenity for our community. This is where many of our children and families meet and swim during the summer months and enjoy the local environment. The School children now walk to the beach (using the new crossing) and attend weekly water safety swim sessions at the local beach;
 - b. The road widening has provided wider vehicle carriageways with wide verges and in particular the separated shared cycleway and footpath. This enables our community to walk, exercise and travel and meet each other. This has created a number of safety benefits and people now feel able and willing to walk and cycle around the community and between Broad Bay, Macandrew Bay and Portobello; and
 - c. We have seen a huge uplift in commuters, visitors and tourists visiting Broad Bay and travelling to Portobello in particular and beyond to Pukekura or Tairoa Head.
3. Overall this has been a hugely valued and appreciated infrastructure upgrade by Dunedin City Council. This is a project the Broad Bay School is very appreciative of.

Photo 1 - Road heading through Broad Bay. Note in particular the new raised crossing point, footpath on both sides, the new shared cycleway/footpath on the harbour side, wide smooth carriageway and verges.



4. We stand in support of those who live, work and use the road further along the Peninsula beyond Portobello who are still waiting on the benefits of the upgrade. Some of our community travel from out on the Peninsula to Broad Bay School. Many of us travel the road beyond Portobello regularly. We know a large number of tourists and buses do too. The safety and amenity improvements we enjoy are not currently shared further along the Peninsula as was planned and consented.

Image 2 - the road near Otakou. Note the narrow carriageway, no verges, no footpath/cycleway, the drop straight into the harbour from the vehicle carriageway, and the carriageway has not been raised to mitigate flooding adjacent to the harbour.



5. We consider completion of the Peninsula Connection project should be retained in the 9 Year plan to enable it to be funded and completed. The timing of the project should at the very least remain as programmed in the draft 9 year plan, or preferable be brought forward. Any slippage in the delivery of this project will mean that children currently living and going to school on the Peninsula will have grown up and finished school by the time the project is completed. This project when finished will deliver significant safety and amenity improvements for the Peninsula community. This should be delivered as soon as possible so the current generation of children can enjoy these benefits of living and growing up on the Otago Peninsula.
6. Thank you for taking the time to consider our submission. We wish you well with your deliberations and strongly encourage you to keep this project funded in the 9 Year Plan.

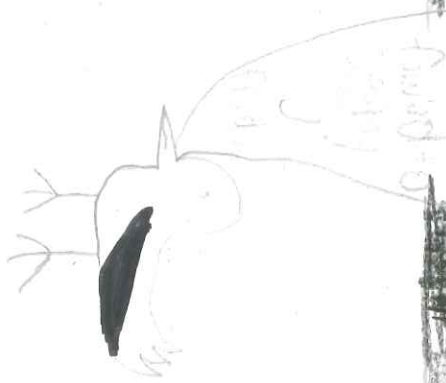
Yours faithfully



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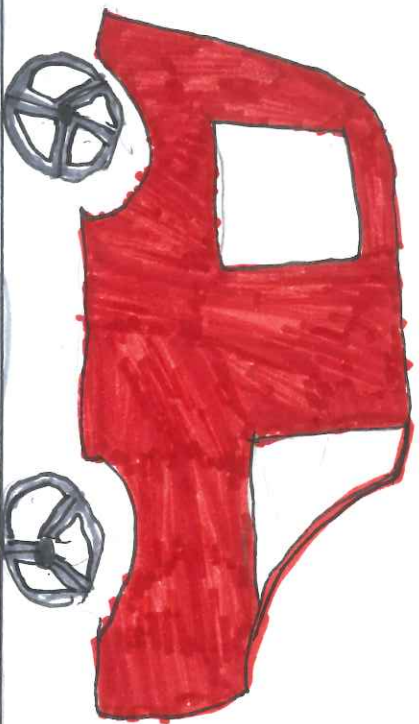
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