

5. SYDENHAM MAINSTREET

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The purpose of this report is to update the Board on the Sydenham Mainstreet Concept, and to seek guidance on how the project should progress.

Update

At its May 2001 meeting the Board considered a draft concept plan for the enhancement of Colombo Street for the Sydenham area between Brougham Street and Moorhouse Avenue. The plan was developed in response to a request from the Sydenham Retailers and Residents Association. The Board adopted the recommendation to support the plan subject to some minor amendments.

Since then the plan has been amended in accordance with the Board's wishes. Copies of the plan will be tabled at the meeting.

Where to from here?

The major issue now is to determine how the plan is to be progressed. No mandate has been given to progress the project and consequently no funding has been allocated to further more detailed design and implementation.

Should a mandate be given to continue the project, then the following process is recommended:

- That a partnership be established between the Board and the Sydenham Retailers and Residents Association for the purposes of funding the project on a cost share basis.
- That projects be identified for the staging of implementation.
- That individual projects be designed in more detail and then costed for the purposes of seeking funding allocations.
- That, simultaneous to the above, promotion and public consultation be undertaken.
- That projects are implemented.

Since the preparation of this report discussions have been held with interested parties, including staff who have expertise and experience that will contribute to the successful implementation of this plan. It has been suggested that all who can contribute be invited to a planning workshop at which an implementation strategy be devised.

- Recommendation:**
1. That the Sydenham Mainstreet Plan be adopted.
 2. That a workshop be held to develop an implementation strategy.