

13. GLYNNE CRESCENT: PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING

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The purpose of this report is to request that the Board approve for construction the proposed traffic calming in Glynne Crescent (see attached).

BACKGROUND

The Council has received complaints regarding the speed of vehicles using Glynne Crescent, which is a local road. In response to these requests from local residents it is proposed to construct new permanent kerb and flat channel build outs between number 16 and the Glynne Reserve frontages. A textured cobbled pavement with a leaf montage is to be installed between the kerb build-outs. The opportunity shall also be used to enhance the landscaping in front of the Reserve (see attached). This street is not an obvious shortcut for through traffic, however, the proposed work is designed to reduce traffic speeds and improve pedestrian and cycle safety for people crossing to and from the Reserve.

At its August 2002 meeting the Board approved the publicity pamphlet for consultation. One hundred and thirty publicity pamphlets were distributed in and around Glynne Crescent. The Council has received seven written responses, the closing date for submissions being 25 October 2002. Relevant feedback received was:

- It is a wonderful idea.
- Should there be a bypass lane for cyclists?
- Please install similar treatments at both entrances to the street.

- The proposal is a waste of ratepayers' money.
- Wouldn't speed humps be safer and more effective than the proposed one-way section on the bend?

The proposed alterations as shown on the publicity plan attached have the support of five of the seven respondents.

PROPOSAL

The above responses demonstrate there is strong support for the proposed platform in Glynne Crescent from affected residents. Staff have investigated the request for cycle bypasses to be included in the construction. Due to low traffic volumes in the street cycle bypasses are not considered necessary.

A single lane section with proper signage has been shown to have a significant in through vehicle speeds. This drop in vehicle speeds shall bring about a great improvement in traffic and pedestrian safety in Glynne Crescent.

Staff

Recommendation: That the Board approve the construction of a platform, landscaping, and kerb extensions as shown on the publicity plan attached.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the officer's recommendation be adopted, as the platform will enhance safety for the significant number of children in the area.