

5. KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL PROGRAMME

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The purpose of this report is to outline the proposed process for the consultation phase with Community Boards in developing the future kerb and channel renewal programme.

In approving the 2003 Annual Budget and Programme the Council made the following resolutions in relation to the kerb and channel renewal programme.

- That the budget provision for the Kerb and Channel Renewal programme be increased by \$2m per annum from 2005/06 for 10 years.
- That, **following consultation with the Community Boards**, the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee develop a policy framework for prioritising kerb and channel renewals for the Council's approval.
- That Community Boards be provided with the Kerb and Channel Renewal programme to enable them to prioritise this work.
- That the City Streets Manager be authorised to fund a component for the Living Streets Programme from the City Streets Kerb and Channel Renewal Output.

Our overall timeframe is to consult with Community Boards in October, develop a policy framework with STU in November with their approval at the 26 November meeting and Council approval at the 12 December meeting. This will enable us to develop the programme for the additional \$2m and the new year 5 for the STU budget meeting in February. The programme will then be sent to Community Boards for them to prioritise their projects before the draft budget is made available for public submission in April.

The process we intend to follow is that we will provide background information to Board members and then present the information including examples, photos etc so that Board members are fully informed of all the issues. We would then get feedback from the Boards on the issues they would want included in the prioritisation process. Questions on what the Boards see as strengths and weaknesses of the current process and what they think should be changed would be asked.

Essentially we would be looking at sending out the background information now and then having a meeting with each Board in October to enable us to clarify and expand on the background information and at the same time obtain the feedback from the Board. The meetings could be tied in with one of your normal Committee meetings or be a separate meeting.

The Community Advocate Comments:

At the 14 August meeting of the Works, Traffic and Environment Committee it was noted that a number of community submissions on the Annual Plan (on kerb and channel renewal timings) had been referred to the Board for consideration. The Committee noted that these submissions would need to be worked through as part of the review process, and that the Committee should be involved in the process of assisting in the development of a policy framework.

Now that the City Streets Unit has commenced the process it would seem appropriate that the Committee consider the information provided at its 17 October meeting, for feedback to the STU Committee in late November.

It would also seem appropriate that the offer be made to receive the particular street submissions at this meeting.

Staff

- Recommendations:**
1. That the representatives from Hamilton Avenue, Thornycroft Street, and Bryndwr Road be invited to present submissions to the Works, Traffic and Environment Committee meeting on 17 October 2002.
 2. That the background information on the current prioritisation process for kerb and channel renewal also be considered at the 17 October Committee meeting with a view to formulating comment for feedback to the STU Committee in November.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendations be adopted.