

9. **DYERS PASS ROAD/PROPOSED SAFETY IMPROVEMENT**



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The purpose of this report is to advise the Board of the impending construction of safety improvements in Dyers Pass Road on the north side of its intersection with Hackthorne Road as shown on the attached plan.

Dyers Pass Road (a minor arterial road) carries approximately 8,100 vehicles/day while Hackthorne Road carries approximately 5,000 vehicles/day below Dyers Pass Road and 800 vehicles/day above Cashmere Primary School. It was identified that this intersection had a poor safety record (ten reported crashes in the last five years), although it is not a black spot intersection. The first stage of the intersection improvements was carried out early in 2001. This involved the placement of a traffic island on the Hackthorne Road west approach to the intersection and new road markings and traffic signs. These were installed to improve traffic management on the approaches to the intersection and mitigate the speeding problem. It is proposed that the second stage of these improvements be carried out in the current financial year.

The publicity pamphlet showing the proposed improvements was distributed for consultation in May 2002. The improvements involve the lifting of the carriageway on the east side of Dyers Pass Road (outside the Masonic Lodge), thereby improving visibility for those vehicles exiting Hackthorne Road. A realignment of the kerb and channel over this length and around Hackthorne Road corner will also help driver visibility. Feedback to the proposal was both supportive and positive.

The total estimated cost of the project is \$145,100 (\$87,000 City Streets and \$58,100 Parks and Waterways), and has been tendered and awarded to Calcon Asphalt Limited for a tender of \$108,262. Work is programmed to start mid April 2003.

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Recommendation: That the information be received.