

9. BUSINESS UNIT RESPONSES TO BOARD'S PLANNING STATEMENT 2003/04

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of the responses of Council Business Units to the Board's Key Issues Planning Statement for 2003/04.

The Board's Planning Statement was adopted in August 2002 and referred to the appropriate Standing Committees for consideration. The Council's Standing Committees considered the Planning Statements in September 2002 when they received the annual monitoring reports.

The six standing committees requested that issues raised in the Planning Statements be referred to the relevant Units for consideration when preparing their section of the Draft Annual Plan and that Unit comment be reported to the Annual Plan Subcommittee when it meets to consider the draft budgets.

The attached schedule contains the comments received from the relevant Business Units on the key issues identified by the Board.

Unit comments do not appear against all items as a number of items in the schedules are statements of Community Board intentions, or indications of support of actions, rather than requests for the Council to address key issues.

Staff

Recommendation: That the information be received.

Chairperson's

- Recommendation:**
1. That the information be received.
 2. That any further comments on the Board's Planning Statement be passed onto Standing Committees.