

16. INNES ROAD - PROPOSED KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL

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The purpose of this report is to request that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board approve for consultation the attached concept plan for the renewal of the dish channels in Innes Road from Cranford Street to Jamieson Avenue.

This section of Innes Road (a minor arterial road with a traffic flow of 11,100 vehicles per day) is on the Capital Works Program to have its kerb and dish channel renewed in the 2003/2004 financial year. The objective for this project is primarily to replace the kerb and dish channel in the most cost-effective manner possible. The specific objectives are to:

- To replace the existing kerb and channel within the existing budget.
- Develop appropriate landscaping, eg install grass berms, planting and street trees where possible.
- Reduce the occurrence of stormwater flooding/ponding at sumps.
- To improve the overall level of safety.
- To improve cycle and pedestrian facilities.
- A completed project which will satisfy the needs of the asset unit and the community.

The local residents and businesses have been surveyed to discover what issues they would like addressed with this work. The following feedback was received:

- The traffic noise.
- The reduction of heavy traffic vibrations.
- The flooding that occurs in the gutters when it rains.
- Its lack of landscaping.
- Needs trees.
- Unsightly overhead power lines.
- The speed of cars.
- The increasing volume of traffic.
- It is hard turning right from Cranford Street east into Innes Road.
- The lack of right turn arrows at the traffic lights.
- The way vehicles park on the footpath outside our place (there is a no parking restriction here).
- Vehicles park too close to our driveway making it hard for the driver to see approaching traffic when coming out.
- The narrow driveways.
- Some pedestrians feel unsafe when trying to cross the road.
- Cyclists feel uneasy at times using this section of Innes Road.
- Do not reduce parking, especially near the shops, as it should be increased.
- Don't narrow the carriageway.

This feedback has been considered and different options have been looked at. The preferred option is as shown on the attached concept plan TP 152701. An amount of \$213,482 is budgeted for this project.

It should be noted that at present Cranford Street is a State Highway (SH 74), but will become the Council's responsibility next year when possible alterations and improvements to the intersection of Innes Road/Cranford Street will be considered as part of the Northern Roding Options Scoping Study. Intersection concerns will therefore be dealt with as part of the Northern Roding Study.

It is proposed to distribute the concept plan in the form of a publicity pamphlet to the residents, businesses and property owners in this section of Innes Road, together with interested parties. The publicity pamphlet will also be distributed to the five properties closest to Innes Road on each side of the connecting streets.

The proposed concept plan meets the project objectives and addresses the matters raised by the residents.

Staff

Recommendation: That the concept plan is approved for consultation.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the staff recommendation be adopted.