

8. LYTTELTON STREET – COBHAM STREET TO WYCHBURY STREET

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The purpose of this report is to seek approval from the Board to go to public consultation on the proposal to continue the renewal of kerb and channel in Lyttelton Street between Cobham Street and Wychbury Street.

BACKGROUND

Lyttelton Street between Lincoln Road and Sparks Road will be progressively reconstructed, with new kerb and channel, footpaths, grass berms, and the undergrounding of services. The kerb and channel between Lincoln Road and Edinburgh Street is complete, the section from Edinburgh Street to Cobham Street is under way, and the third section from Cobham Street to Wychbury Street is programmed for renewal in 2004/05, with underground conversion scheduled for 2003/04.

PROPOSAL

The proposal attached continues the design of Stages 1 and 2, this being a 14 metre wide carriageway with a 10.5 metre narrowing (blips) to provide an opportunity to put in some landscaping and help reduce speed.

From Glynne Crescent to Wychbury Street it is proposed to remove on-street parking, reduce the carriageway to 11 metre, provide a shared cycle pedestrian path, and a flush median and pedestrian refuge for crossing the road. There are a number of cyclists and pedestrians who use this cycle route and cross Lyttelton Street in the vicinity of these two side streets.

Cycle lanes will be marked outside the kerbside parking for the whole of this section of Lyttelton Street. This is consistent with what is existing and proposed for the first two stages of Lyttelton Street.

The landscape architect for this project advises that the street trees for this section of Lyttelton Street will be magnolia kobus (deciduous magnolia) to complement the trees planted in the previous sections. The plants suggested for the landscape area are erica species, leptospermum cultivars (groundcover manuka), day lilies and carex teatacaea (sedge). All plant species are dependant on availability at the time the contract is let.

The cost estimate for this section of Lyttelton Street is \$688,317 and the budget allocated is \$430,971. The shortfall in the budget will need to be resolved before the kerb and channel work can be undertaken and City Streets Unit will be investigating this.

CONCLUSION

Internal discussions have been held with Council Units and a preliminary questionnaire was distributed to residents in the area. The ideas and concerns from these groups were included in the design for this section of Lyttelton Street and it is now proposed to take the concept plan to public consultation.

It is proposed to distribute the proposal to residents in Lyttelton Street from Neville Street to Stourbridge Street, Urella Place, Hennessy Place, Glynne Crescent, Gleig Place and ten houses along both sides of each of the other side streets.

Staff

Recommendation: That the proposal be approved for public consultation.

Chairman's

Recommendation: Board members may have some suggestions, particularly to assist with the consultation.