

## 11. BARETTA STREET – KERB AND CHANNEL

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of the outcome of the consultation on Baretta Street and seek approval to proceed with final design, tender and construction.

### BACKGROUND

Baretta Street runs northwest off Somerfield Street to Dunn Street and is due for kerb and channel renewal in 2003/04. The work will involve new kerb and channel, footpaths, and grass berms.

### CONSULTATION

Initial discussions were held with internal stakeholders and 42 questionnaires were distributed to all residents and property owners requesting information about their concerns and aspirations for the street three replies were received.

The residents requested that consideration be given to traffic calming, street trees and undergrounding services. There is no money in the budget to underground the services in Baretta Street.

### DISCUSSION

The concept plan took into account the consultation with internal and external stakeholders and 100 copies were distributed or posted to residents and property owners of Baretta Street, both sides of Dunn Street from No. 17 to No. 49 and both sides of Somerfield Street from No. 115 to No. 137.

Thirteen replies were received and seven stated they were in favour of the overall concept.

The general response to the community area (petanque court), paved area and seating outside Nos 8 and 10 was very negative. A street meeting was held on Saturday 12 May 2003 and was attended by 18 residents and two Council officers. The consensus from the meeting was that the area be landscaped in a similar way to the built-out area outside Nos 19 and 21. The community asked that the plantings be low maintenance, flowering plants and suggested ericas, hebes, bamboos, and small hardy rhododendrons but no grasses.

Another request was for undergrounding of services. Provision has not been made in the budget for this but street lighting will be upgraded as part of the street work.

The concept plan indicated that Council was considering deciduous magnolias as the species of trees for the street and this was accepted by the residents. They have requested that the trees be of a reasonable size so they do not get damaged.

Alterations have been made to the concept plan to include the requests from residents and is attached to the report. A copy of this concept was forwarded to the Neighbourhood Support Group to circulate to residents.

### CONCLUSION

As the majority of residents are in favour of the work taking place and their concerns have been addressed with changes made to the concept plan, Council officers request that approval be given for the proposed work in Baretta Street proceed to design and construction.

#### Staff

**Recommendation:** That the Baretta Street kerb and channel project proceed to final design, tender, and construction.

#### Chairman's

**Recommendation:** That the officer's recommendation be supported.