9. BUCKLEYS ROAD: PROPOSED CYCLE LANES

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The purpose of this report is to request that the Burwood/Pegasus and Hagley/Ferrymead Community Boards approve the attached concept plan for the proposed installation of cycle lanes on Buckleys Road, between Linwood Avenue and Cuffs Road, for consultation in November 2003.

BACKGROUND

Buckleys Road has long been recognised as a main cycle route for commuter cyclists to and from the city, and for students attending Linwood Intermediate and Linwood High Schools. Buckleys Road is a major arterial carrying an average of 26,000 vehicles per day over this portion, and up to 132 cycles per hour. Approximately 30% of these cyclists are school pupils. There are no cycle lanes at present on this section of Buckleys Road, which is identified in the Council's Planning Map as being a medium/moderate priority site for the installation of cycle facilities.

PROPOSAL

Buckleys Road is on the Capital Works Programme to have cycleways installed in the 2003/04 financial year together with improved pedestrian facilities. This project has a budget of \$129,600. Construction is planned to start in March 2004. The specific aims and objectives of this project are to:

- Install continuous cycle facilities on both sides of the road for the length of this project.
- Provide cycle facilities at all three signalised intersections.
- Improve cycle safety in Buckleys Road.

Directly affected residents, property owners, and interested parties will receive a publicity pamphlet. Where a no-stopping restriction is proposed the adjacent properties will be doorknocked. It is anticipated feedback will be reported back to the Board at its January 2003 meeting for its recommendation to the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee.

Staff

Recommendation: That the concept plan be approved for consultation.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the recommendation be adopted.