17. ST JAMES AVENUE - PROPOSED KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL

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The purpose of this report is to request that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board approve the attached concept plan for the renewal of the kerb and channel in St James Avenue between Windermere Road and Dalriada Street, for consultation.

BACKGROUND

This section of St James Avenue (a local road with a traffic flow of 1,100 vehicles/day) is on the Capital Works Program to have its kerb and dish channel renewed in the 2004/2005 financial year. The local residents have been surveyed for issues they would like addressed with this work.

Following consideration of the feedback (see attached letter for a summary of their feedback) different options have been considered and the following opportunities for improvement identified:

- Vehicle safety A kerb will be constructed along the edge of the existing seal to reduce the likelihood of vehicles colliding with trees.
- Vehicle speed reduction Motorists will be discouraged from speeding with the proposed threshold/platform at the Bellvue Avenue intersection and the narrowing between numbers 9 and 18.
- Landscape improvement with the planting of Plane and Scarlet Oak street trees to replace/supplement, where required, the existing street trees.
- Pedestrian safety The proposed footpath is located about 2m from the proposed kerbs and any projected vehicle path. It is 1m off the property boundary and there are wide grass berms between the footpath and the proposed kerbs.

The amount of \$301,700 is budgeted for this project with a proposed construction date in September 2004.

Staff

Recommendation: That the proposed works in St James Avenue be approved for consultation.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the staff recommendation be adopted.