10. LIVING STREETS – THE PAPANUI CLUSTER

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The purpose of this report is to provide information to the Board concerning the progress with the Papanui Cluster Living Streets Project and to request the Board's endorsement of the draft scheme plans for Mary Street, Frank Street and Grants Road prior to release to the community for comment.

WORK COMPLETED TO DATE

Preliminary consultation has been completed through the first public workshop held on 4 November 2002 (refer summary of submissions document). Objectives have been formulated and agreed upon by internal and external stakeholders as well as the Community Board. Ideas plans have been prepared and stakeholder comments have been received on these. The project is now at a stage where scheme plans have been prepared for Mary Street, Frank Street and Grants Road.

WHERE ARE WE IN THE PROCESS?

We are currently at stage 5, having completed the "All Ears Listening" workshop on 4 November 2002 and the "Did We Hear You Right" workshop on 14 July 2003. The first scheme plans to be developed are for Mary Street, Frank Street and Grants Road. These plans will form the basis of the development of the remaining streets in the cluster over the next 2-6 years. The scheme plans will be distributed to the community for further comment (stage 6) with the results being analysed and brought back to the Board for comment prior to producing the final plan (stage 7) (see attachment).

OBJECTIVES

The project team formulated the draft objectives directly from the "Summary of Submissions" document on 18 February 2003. These were endorsed by the Community Board in April 2003 and agreed upon by the stakeholders at the 14 July 2003 workshop (see attachment).

IDEAS PLANS

Ideas plans were developed to show possibilities for addressing the above objectives (plans will be available at the meeting).

COMMENTS ON IDEAS PLANS

The ideas plans were presented to the second public meeting and workshop held on 14 July. The purpose of the ideas plans was to generate discussion concerning ideas that people liked or didn't like and to flesh out common areas of agreement or disagreement. In general the ideas were well received with some interesting discussions concerning how restrictive the area should be to traffic, in particular the issue of whether or not to pursue road closures (see attachment).

SCHEME PLAN DEVELOPMENT

The ideas plans and the comments associated have formed the basis of the scheme plan development for Mary Street, Frank Street and Grants Road with alignment to the agreed objectives. The general features of the plans include substantial enhancement to the streetscape, slower traffic environments and better pedestrian linkages with attention to surface water management where possible.

BUDGETS

The current budgets are as follows:

Year	Project Description	Budget \$
2003/04	Mary (Grants to Main North)	456,327
2003/04	Frank Street (all)	371,467
2003/04	Grants (Papanui – Culvert)	26,026
2004/05	Grants (Papanui – Culvert)	350,000

It is recognised that the current budgets are inadequate to construct the plans as detailed, however additional funds to reflect the current increases in construction costs will be managed through the project control group prior to the plans being released for further comment.

TIMING

Subject to the resolution of the funding issues and favourable public response, finalised schemes plan for Mary Street, Frank Street and Grants Road should be completed by end of March 2003.

Staff Recommendations:	1.	That the information be received.
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2. That the Board support the draft scheme plans for Mary Street, Frank Street and Grants Road for discussion with the community.

Chairperson's Recommendation:

That the staff recommendations be adopted.