13. LYTTELTON STREET – COBHAM STREET TO WYCHBURY STREET

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of the result of consultation and seek approval to proceed with the design and construction of 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 underway, 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

A proposal was circulated to residents along Lyttelton Street and in the neighbouring streets for comment. The proposal 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.

It was proposed to remove on-street parking, reduce the carriageway to 11 metres, provide a shared cycle pedestrian path, and a flush median and pedestrian refuge for crossing the road in the vicinity of Glynne Crescent and Wychbury Street.

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.

There were 16 responses and a petition received regarding the publicity leaflet. Seven responses were generally in favour, one was against the proposal and eight did not state whether they supported it or not. The concerns were a lack of on street parking in the vicinity of Glynne Crescent and Wychbury Street, the combined cycle/pedestrian facility on the footpath, and the positioning of the bus stop.

The petition from Urella Place residents requested that the proposed speed hump at the entrance to their street be removed and concerns were expressed about moving the bus stop.

To address the concerns raised the following amendments have been made to the concept.

- The cycle/pedestrian facility on the footpath between Glynne Crescent and Urella Place and opposite has been removed. The cycle lanes on the road will remain and provide a commuter cycle route.
- On-street parking has been provided outside #191 and #190.
- The kerb build-out has been retained at the intersection of Glynne Crescent to provide for the pedestrian refuge.
- The pedestrian refuge has been moved closer to Glynne Crescent and the bus stop to create a safer crossing point for bus patrons. The flush median will be retained and this will provide some protection for cyclists crossing from Wychbury Street to Glynne Crescent.
- The bus stop has been moved from outside # 209 to outside # 201. This is closer to Urella Place but as the bus stops in this area have been rationalised it can not be moved back to its original position as this would create too great a distance between this stop and the next one in Cobham Street.
- The speed hump has been removed from the entrance to Urella Place and the "stop" control reinstated.

The above amendments to the concept plan have been sent to those who responded to the publicity leaflets and these residents were also notified that this report with the amended plan would be coming to the Board. The residents in the vicinity of the amended area have received a copy of the changes.

The resident/owner at # 201 has been visited and is not happy that the proposed bus stop is outside his property. It would be possible to leave the bus stop outside # 209 as originally proposed, but this does not meet the concerns of the Urella Place residents.

CONCLUSION

As the concerns raised in the replies to the publicity leaflet have been addressed with the changes to the concept plan, Council officers seek approval to proceed with the final design plans and construction.

Staff

Recommendation:	That the third stage of the Lyttelton Street (Cobham Street to Wychbury Street) kerb and channel renewal project proceed to design and construction in accordance with the revised concept plan.
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Recommendation:	I support the officer's recommendation.