SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT NO 2 BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL CITY COMMITTEE

2. GLOUCESTER STREET PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

RR 8639

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is for the Council to consider the installation of a zebra pedestrian crossing in Gloucester Street to link the main entrance to the Canterbury Public Library with the end of Chancery Lane

BACKGROUND

With the introduction of bus services to Gloucester Street and the development of the entrance to the new car parking building in Oxford Terrace it has been necessary to alter kerbside parking restrictions in the vicinity of the Library. These changes are referred to in the Central City Committee's report (2) in the Council's agenda for the 23 September 1998 meeting.

To accommodate additional bus stops along the north side of Gloucester Street, work has been commenced to replace the kerbs and channels along the frontage to the Library and the new Farmers building. The roadway at the pedestrian crossing point opposite the end of Chancery Lane is being further narrowed with a "cobbled" zebra pedestrian crossing facility replacing a pedestrian refuge island. This work is presently underway. The changes are required to facilitate bus movements along Gloucester Street and establish right of way for pedestrians crossing the roadway in this area.

A copy of an aerial photograph indicating the location of the proposed zebra pedestrian crossing is attached to this report.

CONCLUSION

A zebra pedestrian crossing in this locality will improve safety for people crossing the roadway at the end of Chancery Lane providing a vital link between bus stops in Cathedral Square and Gloucester Street. The removal of the pedestrian refuge island in Gloucester Street will provide improved access for buses and overcome congestion problems in the vicinity of the island caused mainly by motorists double stopping outside the Library.

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That a zebra pedestrian crossing be installed in Gloucester Street at the end of Chancery lane 105 metres west from **Recommendation:**

the intersection of Colombo Street.