

10. CHRISTCHURCH CITY SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM PROJECT

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A report to the Committee outlined details of the Christchurch Safety Management System Project. The Government's roading reform proposal (BTBR) requires that the roading companies provide a safety outcome as defined in their Safety Management System (SMS). Local authorities such as Christchurch generally operate using a SMS approach. No New Zealand local authorities however have fully documented their SMS. It is intended that the Christchurch City Council SMS be fully documented by July next year. Transfund NZ has agreed to fund the project in recognition of the Council's leadership in *best practice* road safety activities. The SMS document produced will be available as a guideline for other local authorities within New Zealand. The Committee gave its full endorsement and encouragement to the project.