

**12. ROADING REFORM - MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT
DISCUSSION DOCUMENT "BETTER TRANSPORT - BETTER ROADS"**

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The purpose of this report is to seek confirmation of action taken by the Roading Reform Working Party in approving the submission on the above document.

At its December 1998 meeting the Council appointed a working party to work closely with other Canterbury territorial local authorities to develop a proposal for reforming the management of the New Zealand transportation system that has Canterbury-wide support.

The Mayor subsequently convened a meeting of all Canterbury/West Coast local authorities, including regional councils at which a steering group was appointed to develop such a proposal.

The submission, "Community Roads", prepared by the working party and endorsed by all local authorities in the Canterbury/West Coast region (with the exception of Timaru City) plus the South Wairarapa District Council was submitted to a meeting of the working party on 29 April 1999.

The preparation of the submission was a time consuming exercise, representing many hours of work on the part of the elected members and key staff from the participating authorities. The working party believes that the model developed in the submission is a flexible one which can be adapted to meet the needs of all regions throughout the country.

As submissions closed on 30 April the working party approved the submission on behalf of the Council. Confirmation of the action taken by the Committee is now sought. The full summary, which has been separately circulated to Councillors, is tabled.

At the meeting Councillor O'Rourke paid tribute to the excellent work done by the City Streets Manager, Mark Gordon, and his staff, as well as the officers of the other councils involved in developing the model and preparing the submission.

- Recommendation:**
1. That the action taken be confirmed.
 2. That Mr Gordon and his staff and the officers of all councils involved in preparing this submission be thanked for their efforts.