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**SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT BY THE
CHAIRMAN OF THE CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

PART A - MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

1. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY - BLENHEIM ROAD DEVIATION AND FENDALTON ROAD RECONSTRUCTION

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The purpose of this report is to obtain a decision from the Council regarding the delegation of authority to the Land Transport Subcommittee to decide on any potential conditions or changes which may be imposed through the consent process in respect to the above projects.

The planning process for Blenheim Road and Fendalton Road requires that the Council confirm any changes which may be recommended, to the plans which accompanied the consent application, by the Planning Commissioner. There are currently no powers delegated to staff to accept or decline any conditions, which may arise during the hearings process, to change the basic design agreed upon by the Council.

The Council's Legal Services Manager, Mr Mitchell, has been consulted regarding a process which could be used to consider changes proposed through the planning process. There is a finite time (15 working days) in which the Council can appeal a decision and this is unlikely to coincide with Council meeting dates. It has been suggested by Mr Mitchell that the means to deal with this is to set up a subcommittee with the power to make decisions on behalf of the Council. The Land Transport Subcommittee, consisting of Councillor Denis O'Rourke, Chairman, and Councillors David Close, Ron Wright, Ian Howell and Sally Thompson, which already makes recommendations to the Council on similar matters, is already in place and could be utilised for this purpose.

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Recommendation: That the Council delegate powers under Section 114Q and 114R of the Local Government Act to the Land Transport Subcommittee to make decisions regarding the processing of the Blenheim Road and Fendalton Road planning consents.

CONSIDERED THIS 26TH DAY OF JULY 2001

MAYOR