16. CYCLE SAFE PROGRAMME EVALUATION

The Committee **received** a report on the evaluation of the Council's Road Safety Education Programme "Cycle Safe" undertaken by Dr Carolyn Coggan from the Injury Prevention Research Centre at Auckland University.

A copy of the full evaluation report was tabled at the meeting and Dr Coggan presented a summary of the evaluation findings for the information of members. The evaluation indicated that the programme was widely accepted by pupils, parents and teachers and that there were both immediate positive effects and longer term benefits to students who participated in the programme. The committee **decided:**

- 1. That the report be received.
- 2. That the Cycle Safe programme continues to be funded through the Annual Plan process.
- 3. That additional information be given to the participants of the programme on the importance of the correct wearing of headgear in off road situations.
- 4. That the RSFS and the Cycle Safe Consulting Group work together to plan and develop a fact sheet suitable for parents so that they are specifically aware of what their children can and cannot do in regards to safe cycling behaviour.
- 5. That the RSFS and the Cycle Safe Consulting Group work together to prepare costings for the Year 8 programme and the future development of the Cycle Safe programme so that these costings can be considered as part of next years annual plan budget process.
- 6. That the Council thank the Road Safety for Schools Group and the Cycle Safe consultation group and all others involved for the evaluation.