10. RESPONSE TO ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED NORTHERN BUS ROUTES SERVICE CHANGES

The Committee considered a report from Robert Woods, Transport Planner Public Transport and Sustainability, City Streets Unit providing details of Environment Canterbury's recent consultation on proposals for the northern bus service review and seeking approval of a response.

The report outlined the proposed changes to the northern routes, discussed specific individual proposals and noted that the improved frequency and intervals of buses was to be welcomed as providing a simpler more effective user friendly service. It advised, however, that there would be an obligation on the City Council to provide appropriate new bus stops and infrastructure for any existing routes that are changed and for new routes provided and noted a major concern in respect to the effects improved frequencies would have on the operation of Colombo Street.

The Committee **decided** that the recommendations and the conclusions in the report be communicated to Environment Canterbury for consideration and implementation in June 2004.