

4.3 ORDERING OF GRANITE

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1. SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek the subcommittee's approval to order granite for the completion of the public utility areas of the Square.

2. BACKGROUND

The critical path element in completion of the public utility areas of the Square is the availability and timely arrival of the granite used for the surfacing of the areas. While there is some granite in stock this is either held for maintenance purposes, or comprises the smaller blocks which were being used on the carriageway (now being replaced by asphalt, and to be utilised for other projects such as the Square lanes)/ What is required are stocks of the larger pedestrian pavers (limited supplies held at present) plus the black header paving blocks (no supplies held at present).

The latest information is that the granite will take three months from ordering to delivery. This means it is required to order the granite as early as possible in April 2004.

It is recommended that the subcommittee approve the ordering of the granite at the earliest opportunity, based on the smallest practical road option.

There is a budget for this expenditure.

Staff

Recommendation:

That the subcommittee:

1. Receive the report entitled Ordering of Granite dated 5 April 2004.
2. Note that to meet the Stage V development completion date of November 2004, it is critical that granite be available.
3. Instruct that sufficient granite be ordered to ensure the project is completed on time.
4. Emphasise that staff must manage within the set budget