

## 4.2 STAGE V CONSULTATION

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### 1. SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek the subcommittee's direction on how it wishes to consult on the roading options for Stage V of Cathedral Square.

### 2. BACKGROUND

Appendix 1 summarises the Stage V decision making process to date.

### 3. OPTIONS

The subcommittee will firstly need to determine whether the "Belliss" partial two way option proposal is, or can be developed into, a practical and technically feasible option able to be implemented. If so, then the question of further public consultation to compare it with the previously consulted one way option arises. However, if the proposal is found to be unworkable, or unable to be suitably modified so that it can be made to work, the subcommittee will need to decide whether to press on with the one way proposal and whether this would require any further consultation at all. The following options assume the "Belliss" plan or similar, can be made to work:

#### 3.1. Short Consultation Process

If the subcommittee is comfortable that a wide range of community views have been sought, then a proposed consultation plan is:

- **Purpose:** Explain the differences between the original plan and the new plan, and seek a general impression of the community response (i.e. Is the new plan better and should we proceed with it?)
- **Practice:**
  - Arrange a series of public presentations related to showing and explaining the new proposed road geometry, plus the proposed time lines for other stages – maybe two daytime/two evening presentations
  - Prepare new road geometry plans in poster form and distribute throughout Central City, showing/explaining proposal and inviting to meetings.
  - Media releases (possibly purchase one page spread in Press)
  - Letter to all submitters to last consultation process with new leaflet/explanation, and invitation to meetings.
  - Propose that **all** feedback be through the meetings, hence the sub-committee will be able to appreciate the comments, and their flavour, and add this to their decision making process.

This process would enable the target date of 12 November 2004 for the construction of Stage V to be met (ref. Appendix 2).

#### 3.2. Long Consultation Process

If the subcommittee is uncomfortable with the previous consultation work, then:

- **Purpose:** To freshly propose a roading (other issues too) plan for the square stage V and seek feedback (i.e what do you want this section of the Square to look like?).
- **Practice:** As above, and also
  - Written responses will also be sought.
  - Individual submissions to sub committee meetings.
  - Feedback will be through meeting forums and written responses.

This approach would only enable partial completion to be achieved by November (ref. Appendix 1, Report 4.1).

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**Recommendation:**

That the subcommittee:

1. Receive the report entitled Stage V Consultation dated 5 April 2004.
2. Note the Stage V decision making process commenced Mid 2001 and has already involved extensive consultation.
3. Note that the information from the consultation to date has been previously accepted by the Council.
4. Determine whether the "Belliss" or similar plan has sufficient merit to warrant development and consultation.
5. If so direct that consultation be focused on whether or not the community believes we should commit to the "Belliss Plan".