4. KINSEY TERRACE STREET RENEWAL

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The purpose of this report is to advise the Committee on the status of the Kinsey Terrace street renewal project.

BACKGROUND

In 2002 the Transport and City Streets Unit commenced consultation with the residents of Kinsey Terrace to determine what work should occur on the street as part of the "kerb and channel replacement project" as it was labelled – it is more accurately a drainage control project for asset protection.

Since then a number of issues have been raised and discussed with the residents and members of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board, relating to the goals and objectives of the various parties involved (including Transport and City Streets Unit). The process has not resulted in a clear set of agreed goals and objectives, so no capital work has taken place.

At a facilitated meeting between members of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board Environment and Traffic Committee, Kinsey Terrace residents and staff from the Transport and City Streets Unit held on 20 April 2004, the residents reiterated a need to have a look at the full range of issues that are relevant to Kinsey Terrace in its context as a historical, residential road on Clifton Hill. They expressed a preference for a landscape architect to lead a review process.

The meeting agreed that such a review process was the preferred approach that would ultimately determine the appropriate objectives for short, medium and long term capital works.

CURRENT STATUS

The Urban Design Team has recently been asked to take over the management of the review process, partially because the management of a full context review is more effectively managed by that team, but also because the residents expressed a desire for Andrew Craig to lead this process. The review process would look at:

- the historical nature of the area,
- road structure, ie asset management,
- road use and safety,
- parking,
- undergrounding, and
- other issues of relevance.

The aim would be to produce an integrated, prioritised list of works that the Council should then consider for funding (over and above the existing budget for asset management).

It is anticipated that the project manager would conduct appropriate consultation and investigations to establish the agreed list of works. The Transport and City Streets Unit has the capital for Kinsey Terrace (\$600,000) budgeted for 2004/05, but this will be carried over into 2005/06. It is important to note that the Transport and City Streets Unit is also involved in a fairly extensive capital smoothing exercise which may necessitate further movement of the Kinsey Terrace budget.

As the Urban Design Team project manager has not fully scoped the range of tasks, it is not yet possible to advise a timeframe for the review work. The project manager will report to the Committee when the review is initiated, and on the recommended timeframe for the work.

Staff

Recommendation: That the information be received.