

## 8. KOWHAI TERRACE: PROPOSED KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL

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The purpose of this report is to request that the Board approve for construction the proposed kerb and channel renewal from Buxton Terrace to numbers 12 and 19 Kowhai Terrace.

Kowhai Terrace (a local road) is on the Capital Works Programme to have its kerb and dish channel renewed in the 2004/2005 financial year. The aim of the project is to replace the existing kerb and dish channel with flat channel in the northern end of Kowhai Terrace. The objectives of the project are:

- To renew the kerb and channel efficiently and effectively
- To ensure the speed environment is appropriate for a local road
- To maintain or improve road user safety
- To maintain or improve the landscape
- To complete the project within the allocated budget
- To complete construction in accordance with the Capital Works Programme

The Board approved the distribution of the appended concept plan for consultation at its March 2004 meeting. One hundred publicity pamphlets were distributed to the residents of Kowhai Terrace and its neighbouring streets. Responses to the proposal have been received as follows:

- We support the retention and on-going maintenance and protection of the kowhai trees as indigenous vegetation and a taonga.
- As there is already a tree within the corner property I do not favour a conifer to be planted on berm outside. Also it could create a blind spot when backing a vehicle from numbers 2 and 5 Buxton Terrace.
- Do not plant any new trees outside numbers 14 and 16, but replace the existing tree with a better specimen.

In response to this feedback it is proposed that no trees be planted on the corner of Buxton Terrace and Kowhai Terrace, or between the vehicle entrances of numbers 14 and 16 Kowhai Terrace. Having met the objectives for the project and responded positively to the feedback, it is proposed that the work be approved for construction.

A total of \$140,140 is budgeted for this project, with construction to be finished in the 2004/05 financial year.

### **Staff**

**Recommendation:** That the Board approve the work as described above for construction.

### **Chairman's**

**Recommendation:** That the staff recommendation be supported.