

#### 4. PALATINE TERRACE TRAFFIC CALMING PROJECT

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##### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval of the preferred option to do nothing at this time in relation to traffic calming measures along Palatine Terrace.

##### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Council has historically received requests to address traffic speed issues in Palatine Terrace from the residents, who identified vehicles travelling at high speeds as a problem, and requested speed humps and traffic calming.

- (b) Any concerns held by the seven respondents about traffic speed in Palatine Terrace seemed to arise in and around the Palatine Reserve area.
- (c) Of those respondents who indicated that they do not consider there to be a speed problem, one resident commented “no more speed bumps”. There are speed bumps at the eastern end of Palatine Terrace, which appear to be having an impact on reducing traffic speed.
- (d) Given the low level of comment relating to the speeding issue, the project team determined that there would be little value added to the project by undertaking a speed survey.

#### **OPTIONS**

- 14. The potential options to address speed issues in residential streets such as Palatine Terrace include:
  - (a) Speed humps.
  - (b) Chicanes.
  - (c) Road narrowing.
  - (d) Police enforcement.
- 15. Two respondents identified speed humps as an option, one identified chicanes, and one respondent suggested implementing speed restrictions and pedestrian islands.
- 16. It should be noted that the Capital Projects Team, Greenspace Unit are working to produce a Heathcote River Management Plan. As part of that Plan, Palatine Terrace's road and infrastructure may be assessed for improvement works. If works within the proximity of Palatine Terrace are proposed involving the impact on the horizontal or vertical alignment of the road, then potentially, speed reduction measures (i.e. humps, chicanes, and platforms) may be considered as part of such works in the vicinity of the Palatine Reserve. It has been suggested that any such measures should be evaluated in conjunction with the location of the pedestrian bridge between Palatine Terrace and Eastern Terrace.

#### **PREFERRED OPTION**

- 17. The preferred option is to do nothing at this time in relation to traffic speed reduction measures along Palatine Terrace. Such measures and associated investigations may be progressed further if the outcomes associated with the Heathcote River Asset Management Plan involve works on Palatine Terrace.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board approve that no further traffic speed reduction work be undertaken at this time along Palatine Terrace.

#### **CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION**

For discussion.