7. LANCEWOOD DRIVE PEDESTRIAN FACILITY

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval of \$27,000 from its Transport & Roading Committee Fund for the installation of island build outs in Lancewood Drive to create a pedestrian facility (see **Attachment A**).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. A number of concerns from the community have been expressed regarding the safety of children crossing Lancewood Drive at the pedestrian access near Rowanwood Close.
- 3. In July 2003 the site was assessed for a Neighbourhood Improvement Project (NIP). The investigation resulted in the site receiving a relatively low ranking when prioritised with other NIP's across the city, and being added to a list of possible future projects.
- 4. A review of the site was undertaken in July 2004 which resulted in recommendations for remedial improvements. These included the construction of kerb build outs on both sides of the road, signage, road markings, no stopping lines, school education programme, and the trimming of vegetation. The majority of these works are dependent on a relatively high NIP prioritisation to achieve capital programme funding.
- 5. At present the Lancewood Drive NIP does not rank high enough for construction in the current financial year, and currently sits in the 2010/11 financial year with a budget of \$55,000. This position in the programme may change however as other projects of a higher priority are added to the list over time.
- 6. As requested by the Board the issue has been revisited and a number of options investigated. The preferred treatment to address the issue is the installation of 'island build outs' and associated signage and markings. Revised estimates for this project now indicate a cost of \$27,000. A concept plan for this treatment is shown in Attachment A.
- 7. Following the Board's committee meeting on 2 March 2007, the properties in Lancewood Drive that are considered to be immediately affected have been consulted and two of the three properties are generally supportive (see **Attachment B**).
- 8. Before proceeding further with wider consultation and possible implementation, funding of the project needs to be allocated by the Board.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9. An estimated cost for this work is \$27,000

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

10. Currently sits in the 2010/11 financial year with a budget of \$55,000, refer paragraphs 5 and 8.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

11. There are no land ownership implications, the project is between the existing kerbs, and the Community Board will be required to approved the proposed parking restrictions.

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

12. As noted in paragraph 11.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

13. This project aligns with the Capital Programme, as detailed on page 85 of the LTCCP (2006-16).

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?

14. Not in the current financial year, as stated in paragraph 5.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

15. The project aligns with the Council's Road Safety Strategy and the Pedestrian Strategy.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

16. The recommendations of this report align with the above mentioned Council Strategies.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

17. As requested by the Community Board, the properties in Lancewood Drive that are considered to be immediately affected have been consulted (see Attachment B).

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board approves the allocation of \$27,000 from its Transport & Roading Committee Fund for the installation of island build outs in Lancewood Drive to create a pedestrian facility.