

**6. CATHEDRAL SQUARE REDEVELOPMENT:
MONTHLY REPORT**

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The purpose of this report is to update the Projects and Property Committee on progress with the Cathedral Square Redevelopment project.

REPORT PERIOD ENDING 31 MARCH 1999

1. GENERAL

1.1 Stages 1, 2 3

The Engineer to the contract, Mr David Marsh, will report separately on contractual matters in this area of the project.

The final report in the three stage safety audit has been received from Mike Gadd and Associates. In summary, the report finds that the Stage 1, 2, 3 contract works have been constructed generally in accordance with the drawings. There are minor variations in street line markings that require attention and some signage that needs review. In addition other items in the report that require consideration by City Design and Council's traffic safety engineers include bollard visibility, tracking of buses, road-tramway definition and cycle behaviour/rules.

1.2 Stage 4

Works Civil Construction is progressing well with the contract works and remains on programme.

The Council approved plan includes the removal of the plane and lime trees in front of the Cathedral. (A plan will be tabled at the meeting.) Following discussions with the Council's arboriculturist, it has been decided that the trees will remain in the interim and will be reconsidered as part of the "greening" proposals currently being prepared.

2. OUTSTANDING ISSUES

The hearing required under the Local Government Act for the five additional bus shelters in the northwest quadrant is expected to be held in the week commencing 19 April. Assistance to the hearing panel will be provided by an independent barrister, Mr John Milligan.

3. APPROVALS

No approvals are sought with this report.

4. PROGRAMME

Mr David Marsh will report separately on Stages 1, 2, 3. Stage 4 is on programme with overall project completion expected in October 1999, as per the Council approved programme.

5. **COST CONTROL**

The total remaining contingency in last months report was \$398,986.

The total remaining contingency as at 31 March is \$389,420. Notice has been received from the granite supplier of a potential cost increase in the supply contract. Negotiations are currently being held with the supplier to finalise costs, which will be reported next month.

The monthly financial report is attached.

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Recommendation: That the information be received.