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The purpose of this report is to advise the Board on the programme for reconstructing the section of Disraeli Street between Antigua Street and Selwyn Street. The work includes relaying of underground services and constructing a planned road deviation at Selwyn Street to create a new cross junction with Harman Street. The construction of traffic islands at both the Antigua and Selwyn Street junctions will improve safety; the improved carriageway and link with Harman Street provides continuity along this collector route which links Lincoln Road with Waltham Road along Harman Street, Disraeli Street, Sandyford Street and Byron Street.

BACKGROUND

The section of Disraeli Street between Antigua Street and Selwyn Street is a collector road providing access to business and residential zones. The section between Braddon Street and Selwyn Street is particularly narrow with the carriageway in poor condition along with the kerbs and dished channels.

For many years it has been planned to deviate Disraeli Street on the east approach to the Selwyn Street/Harman Street intersection. Traffic islands will be constructed as part of the work on the Harman Street and Disraeli Street approaches to the Selwyn Street intersection. Allowance has been made to include a future roundabout to control traffic at this junction by constructing the corner roundings for the new carriageway to a profile that will suit a roundabout.

At the Antigua Street end of the planned work new traffic islands will be constructed in Disraeli Street to reinforce the "stop" controls. This is a planned safety work that had been identified by a crash reduction study two years ago.

The proposed work is illustrated on the plan (attached). Before the roadway can be reconstructed new underground services will be provided.

DISCUSSION

The planned reconstruction of existing stormwater and sanitary sewers is a major undertaking and will be completed prior to the new kerbs and channels being constructed along this section of Disraeli Street. A report to the Council's Recess Special Committee relating to the stormwater drainage works was considered by the Committee and the contract awarded to Works Operations. A copy of the report is appended to this report.

The work (underground services and road construction will be carried out) over two financial years with a completion date early in the year 2000.

CONCLUSION

The proposed works will, with the renewal of underground services and the reconstruction of the carriageway, provide a much needed improvement in this part of the city. The new roadway with traffic management improvements at both the Antigua Street and Selwyn Street/Harman Street intersections will improve safety and provide road users with an improved link in the collector road which provides continuity of access for traffic between Lincoln Road and Waltham Road.

This report is also being considered by the City Services Committee.

Recommendation:

- 1. That the information be received.
- 2. That the Board confirm the action taken by the Council's Recess Special Committee in awarding a contract to Works Operations for stormwater drainage works.