9. GOLF LINKS ROAD - PEDESTRIAN REFUGE ISLAND

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The purpose of this report is to advise the Board on the outcome of a request for the installation of a pedestrian refuge island in Golf Links Road. This was presented by Norma Hill of the Windsor Rest House to the 1 March 1999 meeting.

It was requested, "that a pedestrian refuge island be provided in Golf Links Road to provide safety for residents walking to The Palms. There are 50 residents in the home, and 20 residents in the cottages. Many of these residents use walking sticks, walkers or wheel chairs. There are also motor scooters. In addition, many are visually impaired. Shopping at the mall is important to these folk, as well as the 130 plus staff, many of whom deal at the shops there. Visitors to the home/hospital/cottages also shop at the mall."

A pedestrian survey, carried out on Golf Links Road between Windsor House and The Palms Mall entrance on Friday 19 March 1999 between 9.00 am and 4.00 pm, indicated that most pedestrians crossed the road in the vicinity of the rest home.

Therefore, the most appropriate location to provide a pedestrian refuge island in this area is outside number 24 Golf Links Road. This location is agreeable to Norma Hill and the Principal Nurse/Manager at the Windsor House Rest Home. The owner of 24 Golf Links Road and the Management of The Palms Shopping Centre are also agreeable to this proposal in principle.

Funding for this work would be prioritised as part of the City Streets Pedestrian Initiatives Budget with a priority for implementation in approximately two to three years. The estimated cost of this work is \$15,000.

Recommendations: 1. That the information be received.

- 2. That the Community Board considers funding this work from discretionary funds to enable this work to be done sooner.
- 3. That Norma Hill be informed of the Board's decision.

Chairperson's Recommendation:

tion: That the aforementioned recommendations be adopted.