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Corporate Plan Output: Capital Expenditure	

The purpose of this report is to advise and request that the Board approve the **attached** publicity plan for the renewal of the kerb and channel in Aikmans Road and for the funds allowed for the building of a threshold in Mansfield Avenue at its intersection with Papanui Road to be reallocated to this project.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Aikmans Road is on the Capital Works Programme to have the kerb and dish channel renewed this financial year. Preliminary plans have been drawn for different options but because the carriageway has to be reconstructed the existing funding is only sufficient for the cheapest option to be built with no drop off area for the Elmwood School or for extra features. It is desirable that a drop off area, as identified in a preliminary survey of the adjoining property owners and a landscape and traffic calming feature in the section between Stirling Street and Akela Street be built. For these features to be incorporated in the work more funding is required.

At its meeting on 31 August, the Board requested that the proposed threshold at the Mansfield Avenue/Papanui Road intersection be deferred and the monies reallocated to a suitable project. The Area Engineer in consultation with the City Streets Capital Works Project Team has carried out a priority assessment on the above proposed features for Aikmans Road and this has identified that these elements have a very high priority in terms of the Neighbourhood Improvement Programme scheme criteria. It is therefore desirable to include the construction of a school pickup and drop off area and the traffic landscape/calming features with the renewal of the kerb and channel in the work as shown on the plan.

#### **PROPOSAL**

To transfer the funds allowed for the construction of a threshold in Mansfield Avenue to the Aikmans Road kerb and channel renewal project in order that a school pickup/drop off area and landscape/traffic calming feature may be built, and to distribute the publicity plan to the local community.

- Recommendations:**
1. That the change in funding allocation from Mansfield Avenue to Aikmans Road be noted.
  2. That the publicity plan for Aikmans Road be approved for circulation for public comment.

#### **Chairman's**

**Recommendation:** That the foregoing recommendations be adopted.