

16. ST ALBANS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN



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The purpose of this report is to update the Board on the progress of the St Albans Neighbourhood Plan.

Following discussions as to the best way to begin community consultation with St Albans residents, it was decided that a newsletter should be produced, to be delivered to every household within the St Albans Neighbourhood Plan boundaries. *Our Environment 'Special Edition – St Albans Update'* was printed as a means to bring the community up to date with the progress of Council projects that had been suggested in the past, current projects, and possible initiatives for the future.

The decision to produce the newsletter was the result of comments by residents that they wanted to know what had happened to their past suggestions for the improvement of St Albans, before they could commit themselves to any future projects in the area.

Residents were asked for their feedback concerning the issues raised in the newsletter. While the residents' response rate over the Christmas period has been fairly low, the feedback that has been received is for the most part in favour of the type of projects that were suggested in the newsletter. The respondents were also grateful at being kept informed.

The next step in the consultation process will be to hold a number of seminars within the St Albans area, in accessible locations for the residents. The purpose of these seminars will be to discuss the future of St Albans within the scope of the opportunities and constraints presented to the Shirley/Papanui Community Board on 27 October 1999.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the officer's recommendation be adopted and the Board be kept informed of the seminar dates.