8. WALTHAM ROAD PEDESTRIAN ISLAND AT WALTHAM POOL

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's endorsement for the installation of a pedestrian island on Waltham Road at Waltham Pool. This report will also be considered by the City Services Committee.

The proposal to construct a pedestrian island on Waltham Road (diagram to be tabled) is in response to community concern regarding the safety of pedestrians, particularly children, crossing Waltham Road to and from the Waltham Pool. This project has been developed in conjunction with the Council's Cycle Planner (Alix Newman) and Traffic Engineer (Brian Neill). The objective is to provide edge lines and cycle lanes from Brougham Street to St Martins Road as well as a pedestrian road crossing facility at Waltham Pool.

Directly affected residents at two properties have been contacted and they have no objection to loss of parking outside their property. The Leisure Unit has agreed to losing three car parks outside the pool, with a view to facilitating safer access to and from the pool.

Recommendation: That the Board endorse the installation of a pedestrian island with associated parking restrictions on Waltham Road at Waltham Pool.