

17. PROJECT PROPOSALS

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The purpose of this report is to advise the Board of the Business Units' response to proposals sent to them for consideration for inclusion in their Capital Works Budget and Five Year Plan for 2001/2002 (refer to attached schedules).

As a reminder to members, the Council's Five Year Capital Works Programme takes the following steps:

1. In August each year the Board seeks from the community, projects to be included in the Five Year Plan. This happens through public meetings, contact with residents groups, schools, business associations, individual residents, as well as projects requested during the year.
2. The Board considers the lists in September and prioritises and ranks the projects.
3. These lists are then sent to each of the appropriate Council business units for their assessment, costing and comment.
4. The lists are then returned to the Board for further consideration in light of the costs and comments. This is the stage we are at now.
5. Where the Board disagrees with the placement of any projects the Chairperson and Community Advocate have the opportunity to meet and discuss these with the Unit Manager concerned.
6. The next stage is that in March the Board considers projects to be funded from its \$350,000 Project Funds. This fund may pick up some of the minor proposals, which are not included in year one. However, it is more appropriate that the \$350,000 Project Funding is allocated to local community development projects and activities.

Recommendation: That the Board confirms the list of Project Proposals.

Chairperson's Recommendation: That the officer's recommendation be adopted.