20. CLIFTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PETITION

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Corporate Plan Output:	

The purpose of this report is to clarify the issues raised by the Clifton Neighbourhood Committee at the Board meeting in July.

Earlier this year a petition was received opposing the closure of a portion of Kinsey Terrace and requesting that the Council look into addressing the road problems of Tuawera and Kinsey Terraces.

A request was received for a portion of Kinsey Terrace to be closed and sold to the adjoining owner. It was publicly advertised and objections were received from residents in the street. As the objections can not be satisfied, the closure of the road has been put in abeyance and will not be followed up in any way until an agreement can be reached with the objectors, the adjoining owner, and Council Officers.

At present there is no funding available for major work to be carried out to realign Tuawera Terrace. When funding becomes available the residents of the street will be surveyed and consulted as to what they would like to happen in the way of roading improvements. In the meantime maintenance will be continued to ensure Tuawera Terrace has adequate drainage and is safe for all users.

Funding becomes available to renew the kerb and channel and upgrade the road in Kinsey Terrace in 2003/04. As part of the process a survey has been prepared and distributed to residents of Kinsey Terrace. The results of the survey were collated and a meeting was held to discuss the issues raised on Thursday 24 August at the St John Ambulance Hall, Sumner.

After a lengthy discussion with the large number of residents present, no definite conclusion was reached as to how the street should be developed. It was felt that there were several issues that needed to be addressed. These included parking near the hairpin bend and in the turnaround area, smoothing of the road surface, lowering the hump in the middle section of the street, a winding off-road footpath, emergency vehicle access, and keeping the green space and rock walls where possible.

Before any design work can take place these issues will need to be prioritised by the community. Following this, work will commence on the design and it will be publicised for community comment.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

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Recommendation: For discussion.