15. BANKS AVENUE/McBRATNEYS ROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

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The purpose of this report is to update the City Services Committee on the planning for improvements at the intersection of Banks Avenue/McBratneys Road/Dallington Terrace and River Road and the decisions of the Burwood/Pegasus and Shirley/Papanui Boards.

There are several issues relating to this intersection. Dallington Residents Association and the Banks Avenue School have expressed concerns of the speed of through traffic on Banks Avenue. The visibility of approaching vehicles when trying to exit from Banks Avenue is limited due to the approach angles. A dip in the road partially obscures vehicles in River Road when approaching from McBratneys Road. The headwall on Dudley Creek has been identified as a possible hazard. Pedestrian safety could be improved for people wishing to cross McBratneys Road from Banks Avenue to Dallington Terrace.

To resolve these issues a sum of \$45,900 was shown under Neighbourhood Improvement Works for 2000/01. A scheme plan has been prepared that would resolve many of the issues and initial costings indicated that the work would cost \$181,900. The higher costs are due to the necessity to extend the culvert on Dudley Creek, remove the headwall and reconstruct part of the road to remove the dip.

The two adjoining Community Boards have received reports this month suggesting this project be removed from the budget due to the shortfall in funding. However both Boards recognised this project as being very worthwhile and decided that the funding be carried forward into the 2001/02 financial year and that additional funding be found so that the project can proceed.

It has already be identified that O'Halloran Drive, a \$45,000 project in Neighbourhood Improvement Works for 2001/02 is unlikely to proceed. The funding from O'Halloran Drive could be put towards Banks Ave/McBratneys Road.

Dominion/Milton has been listed in both 2001/02 and 2002/03. If this project was programmed for 2002/03 the \$40,000 in 2001/02 could be put towards Banks Ave/McBratneys Road.

As the Neighbourhood Improvement Works programme is prioritised using a ranking process, the remaining shortfall can be made up by pushing back the lowest ranking project in 2001/02 into 2002/03. This would make Aorangi/Brookside the appropriate project.

To make up for Aorangi/Brookside being shifted from 2001/02 to 2002/03 it is necessary to shift four projects from 2002/03 to 2003/04.

Recommendation: 1. That the information be received.

- 2. That Banks Avenue/McBratneys Road funding of \$45,900 be carried forward to 2001/02.
- 3. That O'Halloran Drive be removed from the budget in 2001/02 and the funding of \$45,000 go towards Banks Avenue/McBratneys Road.
- 4. That Dominion/Milton be programmed for 2002/03 and the \$40,000 in 2001/02 go towards Banks Avenue/McBratneys Road.
- 5. That Aorangi/Brookside be programmed in 2002/03 and the \$50,000 in 2001/02 go towards Banks Ave/McBratneys.

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	6.	That the four projects, Wychbury Street \$10,000, Hastings Street East \$10,000, Bowenvale Avenue \$20,000 and Glynne Crescent \$8,000 all in 2002/03 be programmed in 2003/04 to compensate for Aorangi/Brookside.
	7.	That the Strategy and Resources Committee be asked to make these changes.
Chairman's Recommendation:	Not s	een by the Chairman.