

10. CHARLESTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

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The purpose of this report is to update the Board on the progress of the Charleston Neighbourhood Plan consultation and introduce the draft plan. A report will be referred to the Environment Committee.

Following consultation with residents, commercial interests and other interested stakeholders, a public meeting was held on July 18th to discuss traffic management issues in the Charleston area. The purpose of the meeting was to try and achieve an overall traffic management scheme that would satisfy all of the interested parties. Through the Charleston consultation process traffic management has been the key issue in need of resolution. The meeting provided an opportunity for differences in opinion to be voiced and responded to. The turnout was very good with approximately 70 people, representative of the stakeholder groups, attending.

In addition to issues surrounding the physical aspects of traffic management, enforcement was of particular concern in regard to speed, hoons, and parking during events at Jade Stadium. While traffic management issues can be addressed through the Neighbourhood Plan, Council officers will tackle the enforcement issues through other means.

With consensus reached at the public meeting in regard to the traffic management initiatives, a draft plan has been prepared for discussion. The Plan includes arts initiatives, the kerb and channel renewal programme, possible designs for the individual streets, parks improvements, ways in which the community can take ownership of the area and improve it, and other useful information.

Following this, once the Community Board and Council have accepted the draft plan, it will be available for public comment for a two-week period, after which any necessary changes will be made and the final plan completed.

The Plan will be tabled at the Board meeting and staff will be available to answer any queries.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

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