

7. HAREWOOD ROAD LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENT

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Corporate Plan Output: Landscaping	

The purpose of this report is to request that the Board approve and fund the planting of bulbs in the Harewood Road median between Greers Road and Farrington Avenue.

BACKGROUND

Daffodils were successfully planted in the Linwood Avenue median in March 2000 with funding provided by the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board. Subsequently several letters have been received expressing residents appreciation of that project.

While the areas planted in bulbs look ragged after flowering has finished, the balance of the turf area is mown as usual. There has been no net maintenance cost to the city as the reduction in grass being mown through the winter and spring period (July to late November) has compensated for the greater time required to mow around the planted areas.

In order to obtain good quality, well priced bulbs, orders need to be placed in December. Last financial year \$5,000 was provided which bought 14,750 bulbs. It is proposed that another \$5,000 be spent on the first stage of this work in Harewood Road.

Recommendation: That \$5,000 be allocated from the Board's 2000/01 discretionary budget for the planting of bulbs in the Harewood Road median between Greers Road and Farrington Avenue.

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Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.