

21. **BOARD-FUNDED TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT WORK
PEER STREET TRAFFIC SIGNALS, AT VILLA MARIA COLLEGE**

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The purpose of this report is to introduce the results of the community consultation, undertaken by the City Streets Unit, on the proposal to install pedestrian traffic signals on Peer Street outside Villa Maria College.

Previously the Board had agreed to fund traffic islands at this location. Following the consultation process, the Area Engineer brought a report to the 6 June 2001 meeting of the Board in which he advised that traffic signals were now the favoured option.

In his report to the Board, the Area Engineer noted:

The Road Safety in Schools Co-ordinating Committee (RSSCC) have become involved in the issue of children's safety in this location. I have been very recently advised that funding has been secured in the 2001/2002 financial year for pedestrian traffic signals. This, in my view, is a vastly superior facility in terms of pedestrian safety, particularly in this location. The proposed traffic island would require removal and/or significant alteration when the signals are installed. To this end it seems inefficient to proceed with this when the benefits will have a maximum life of 12 months prior to traffic signal installation. The RSSCC have requested that the Board give consideration to contributing to the cost of traffic signals from the funding for the island should the Board wish not to proceed with the island. The island has an estimated cost of \$6,000 including design and supervision.

The Board then **agreed** to transfer its funds to the installation of traffic signals at the Villa Maria site, and that a letterbox drop be undertaken to advise local residents of the change.

At the time of circulating the agenda for today's meeting the report was not available. It will be pre-circulated prior to today's meeting for consideration by members.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: For discussion upon receipt of the full report from the City Streets Manager.