3. LYTTELTON STREET (EDINBURGH STREET TO COBHAM STREET) KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL

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The purpose of this report is to recommend that the planned work for Lyttelton Street between Edinburgh Street and Cobham Street be approved for consultation.

BACKGROUND

Lyttelton Street between Lincoln Road and Sparks Road will be progressively reconstructed with new kerb and channel, footpaths, grass berms and the undergrounding of services. The entire project is programmed as follows:

Stage 1	Lincoln Road to Edinburgh Street	2001/02
Stage 2	Edinburgh Street to Cobham Street	2002/03
Stage 3	Cobham Street to Wychbury Street	2004/05
Stage 4	Wychbury Street to Sparks Road	2006/07

Stage 1 is currently being constructed. Stage 2, which is programmed for this year, is the focus of this report.

PROPOSAL

The proposal attached continues the design of Stage 1, this being a 14 metre wide carriageway with 10 metre narrowings (blips) at various locations. These blips provide the opportunity to increase the landscaping and help reduce vehicle speeds. Cycle lanes will be marked outside the kerbside parking. It is proposed to re-align and narrow the Neville Street approaches to 9 metres. The traffic islands on the Cobham Street approaches will remain. A flush median extends past the Spreydon Baptist Church to incorporate a refuge island for pedestrians crossing. The road width at this point is being narrowed to 12 metres. The P5 parking zones outside the Church remain.

CONSULTATION

Discussions regarding the scheme have been held with the Church and the kindergarten, both are pleased with the proposal. The proposal has not yet been communicated to the wider community.

The next stage of consultation will include individually consulting with the residents effected by the loss of parking at the blips followed by the release of the attached plan in the form of a publicity leaflet and plans posted on the Church and kindergarten noticeboards.

Staff

Recommendation: That the proposal be approved by the Board.