

18. CYPRESS GARDENS RESERVE: PROPOSED PUBLIC TOILETS

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of the outcome from public consultation on the proposal to construct public toilets in Cypress Gardens Reserve and to obtain the Board's approval for a change of site within the reserve as a result of the consultation.

BACKGROUND

Included within the 2003/04 Capital Works budget of the former Parks and Waterways Unit, now Greenspace Unit, is \$55,000 for the provision of public toilets in the Cypress Gardens Reserve in Bromley.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

A plan showing the proposed toilets near the northern boundary of the reserve, close to the Bromley School play area and the Ruru Cemetery, was distributed among local residents, Bromley School, Bromley Community Residents' Association and Bromley Community Centre Management Committee. In addition, the plan and explanatory notes were displayed on a notice board at the reserve frontage.

Two submissions were received, the most significant of these being from the Bromley Community Residents' Association. The association's request was "for the toilets to be placed on the Keighleys Road perimeter of the park by the start of the walkway. This would be a safer spot and would enable the community to better monitor the toilets."

REVISED LOCATION

As a result of the submissions, the plan has been revised and the proposed toilets relocated on the Keighleys Road frontage, so as to be more visible from passing pedestrians and motor vehicles.

A plan of the proposed location (tabled) illustrates that with the revised location a new pathway can be constructed to link with an existing pathway in Bromley Cemetery directly across Keighleys Road.

TOILET BUILDING DESIGN

Two options are available:

1. a traditional design as prepared by City Solutions
2. a kitset of Australian origin with a contemporary design.

It is suggested that tenders be invited for the two designs and then a decision be made by the Board based on the design and costs of construction.

Staff

- Recommendation:**
1. That the new siting for proposed toilets in Cypress Gardens Reserve on the Keighleys Road frontage be approved.
 2. That tenders be invited for the construction of the two design options for the toilets in Cypress Gardens Reserve.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: Not seen by the Chairperson.