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To: Inglewood Community Board

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SUBJECT: JUNCTION ROAD WORKS PROGRAMME BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND TIMELINE

Background

On 23 July 2014, the Monitoring Committee resolved to commence Junction Road Works Programme project at a rate of \$800,000 per annum or a lesser amount taken from the principal and interest invested. This was the basis on which the survey and public meetings were held.

NPDC Officers instructions from the Monitoring Committee were very clear "... that consultation will be undertaken with residents of the former Taranaki and Inglewood county areas for the purposes of setting the priorities for the road works that have been identified in the Detailed Forward Works Programme for expending the proceeds from the sale of Junction Road Leasehold properties".

Consultation

To coincide with the survey that was undertaken, the Transportation team held public meetings at Tarata and Inglewood, the same information was provided at both meetings. At the request of the attendees at those meetings, we also held a further meeting at Kaimata Hall to provide feedback on the outcome of the survey (on 17 September 2014). All three meetings were publicly notified through the Moa Mail and Midweek. (NB: Facebook wasn't used at that time).

Some of the works identified in the survey were removed as they had been identified as projects that would come under general improvements and maintenance budgets and would attract NZTA funding.

At every meeting held, the issue of how the money was to be invested and spent was raised by those in attendance, and we consistently told everyone present that if they wish to make a change to how the funds were to be invested, they would need to make this known to the elected members (Councillors and Community Board members), as that was not what we had been asked to consult on but the Council, however we agreed that the concerns raised would be highlighted in the report to Council.



No consultation was undertaken with respect to how the funds should be invested, as this was not a resolution of Council.

Report to Monitoring Committee

The Monitoring Committee considered the report that contained the outcome of the survey and the public meetings in February 2015, which included <u>all feedback</u> received from the community. The focus of the report was on the prioritization of the works programme that had been consulted on. It did, however, raise the issue of the community's concern on how the funds would be invested and used, being the principal to be invested and only the interest to be used for the works programme.

The Monitoring Committee resolved to invest \$1 million from the Endowment Trust Account and the interest accrued over one year to "kick start" the forward work programme to generate some impetuous. Thereafter the interest only will be used each year to fund maintenance and improvement work in the former County of Inglewood.

Any decisions on this project was for the Council to decide. If there are to be any major changes to the Monitoring Committee resolution made in February 2015, then it would be recommended that further community engagement be undertaken if there are significant changes to be decided on.

It is important to note that, to date, only work identified along Tarata Road has been undertaken and road sealing in Bosworth St, Egmont Village with the available funds from the interest. No opportunity has been provided to the other areas covered by this endowment fund to undertake additional maintenance and safety improvements. This is something that the Council will need to consider in the future.

Appended is a timeline outlining the community engagement, council reports and resolutions which provides a reasonably extensive overview work undertaken to date in relation to decisions made and community engagement.

Kind regards

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