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Shire Council

DIRECTOR SHIRE SERVICES REPORT

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SUMMARY:

Reporting on funding provided for the construction of kerb and gutter, drainage and road construction in Kinchela Street and Macleay Street under the Gladstone Town Improvement Program.

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DESCRIPTION:

In the 2007 / 08 Transportation Infrastructure Delivery Program, \$98,560 has been provided to construct kerb and gutter, drainage and road construction in Kinchela Street and Macleay Street under the Gladstone Town Improvement Program.

Considerable opposition has been provided from adjacent property owners who were concerned by the change amenity of the village with the introduction of kerb and gutter at this location, and amount of contribution that would be levied.

It is considered that due to adverse public comment regarding the proposal, that this project should be replaced by other more urgent work in Gladstone. The entire length of Barnard Street is rough and potholed and requires rehabilitation and has been subject of numerous complaints.

It is recommended that Council reallocate the \$98,560 for the construction of kerb and gutter, drainage and road construction in Kinchela Street and Macleay Street, Gladstone to road rehabilitation works in Barnard Street, from Smithtown Road towards Ashton Street.

REPORT IMPLICATIONS:

- ***Environmental***

Nil

- ***Social***

The reallocation of funding would reduce concerns regarding the changing of the amenity of the village of Gladstone.

- *Economic (Financial)*

The financial implication is that \$98,560 provided for the construction of kerb and gutter, drainage and road construction in Kinchela Street and Macleay Street, under the Gladstone Town Improvement, would be reallocated to road rehabilitation works in Barnard Street, from Smithtown Road towards Ashton Street.

- *Policy or Statutory*

Nil

- *Director's Review*

Council has indicated that it prefers grass swales rather than kerb and gutter in our villages. The residents in Kinchela and Macleay Streets seem to agree. The road pavement in Barnard Street is in poor condition and these funds are recommended to be utilized for this project.

RECOMMENDATION:

That \$98,560 provided for the construction of kerb and gutter, drainage and road construction in Kinchela Street and Macleay Street under the Gladstone Town Improvement Program be reallocated to road rehabilitation works in Barnard Street, from Smithtown Road towards Ashton Street.

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