Appendix A Scope, Purpose, Programme and Completion Date for the Services

Community Facilities, on behalf of Auckland Transport (AT) manages weeds on footpaths, berms and the kerb and channel in the urban road corridor for statutory, asset protection, amenity and health and safety outcomes. The responsibility for weed management was transferred to Community Facilities in April 2019, as part of Project Streetscapes.

The service level for weed management on berms and in the kerb and channel is the same across Auckland. However, methodologies for edging and weed control on hard surfaces differ between local board areas, whether plant based, synthetic herbicides or thermal e.g. hot water/steam. In some cases, different methods are used within the same local board boundaries. This reflects the continuation of legacy council approaches.

One of the outputs of Project Streetscapes was to review weed management in the road corridor, with a view to standardising methodologies across the region. In August and September 2020, Community Facilities sought feedback from local boards and mana whenua on this review and officer recommendations to standardise the methodologies for weed management in the urban road corridor. Following feedback from mana whenua and local boards, the recommendations were presented to the Environment and Climate Change Committee on 12 November 2020.

The committee carried a resolution ECC/2020/55 to standardise funding for weed management within the urban road corridor. The resolution also enables local boards to adopt or retain their preferred methodology for weed management in the road corridor, with costs above the standardised funding rate met from local budgets.

The aim is to standardise funding (on a per km) basis for weed management, so that the expenditure is the same regardless of where you live.

We are looking for independent consultant support in

 drafting advice to local boards on their options for weed management in the road corridor this includes

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- o costs of different options (these will be established through a Council run procurement process)
- o environmental impacts of different options
- o Mana whenua preferences (consultation with mana whenua is underway)
- Presenting this advice to the 19 Local Boards involved (alongside Council staff)
- Responding to any feedback from Local Boards following meetings
- · Drafting reports for Auckland Transport on options and Local Board feedback
- · Drafting consultation documents if needed for targeted rates

The work will commence on **9 August 2021** and be completed by **31 December 2021** This may be extended or concluded earlier by mutual agreement.

Please refer to schedule 1 – supplier's proposal for more details