

Fences and guardrails maintenance – additional funding

1. The Proposal

This project consists of increasing funding to upgrade Councils 117km of handrails. It is estimated that 30% of the hand rail network is required to be replaced to ensure they meet agreed past standards.

2. Proposal Costs

Outline project costs per year										
	Operating expenses									
	\$000									
Project Component	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20
Contract Costs	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115
Total	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	115

3. Project Outline

Improving pedestrian fencing will ensure that members of the public can safely navigate the Council's access paths.

By undertaking this work this year we are reducing overall lifecycle costs. Any delay in completing planned and reactive maintenance will result in the asset deteriorating and therefore in higher renewal costs.

This work involves, repainting, repairing or replacing the top, centre and bottom handrails. It is estimated that this will cost be \$115,000 per year (or \$9,500 per month) for the next 10 years. The total value of the work is \$1.1 million. This work involves repairs carried out within two hours in an emergency or five days routine repairs (general target is within 15 days).

4. Recommendation

It is recommended that Council's 117km of handrails be upgraded to ensure required levels of service are delivered and safety standards are maintained. It is recommended that the funding be approved.