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Ocean Street Project Update

The Benevolent Society had indicated that it expected to hold the next round of key stakeholder and community consultations on the Ocean Street Project in mid to late July. We have had to revise this timeframe.

We are working very hard to plan a project that encompasses real innovation in housing and services for local older people, particularly those with limited means, and which delivers major public benefits for the Waverley community in a sustainable way.

As we have progressed through the planning stage, opportunities and issues have been raised through the consultation process with Council and the local community and we are examining them in detail.

Just some of the matters we are working on include the service delivery model; the internal layout of apartments; the design and location of proposed buildings; appropriate future uses of Scarba House and opportunities for children's services in the area.

The Ocean Street Project is a priority for The Benevolent Society and we remain committed to further consultation before lodgement of a development application.

Yours sincerely



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