14. HASTINGS STREET WEST - PROPOSED RESIDENTS ONLY PARKING SPACE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board's approval to install a residents only parking space outside number 20 Hastings Street West.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. Council has received a written request from the residents who are also the property owners of 20 Hastings Street West requesting a residents only parking space to be established outside their property as they are unable to provide off street parking on their property (refer **Attachment 2**).
- 3. The residents of 20 Hastings Street West have owned the property since 2003 and have lived at the address for the last two and a half years. Over this time they have found it increasingly difficult to obtain kerbside parking close to their dwelling as retail activity in the vicinity intensifies and more of the older neighbouring dwellings are demolished and replaced with multi unit town houses.
- 4. 20 Hastings Street West is situated 100 metres east of Colombo Street and 30 metres from the retail outlets situated at this corner. It is a historic workers cottage located only 3.5 metres from the street frontage and one metre off the eastern boundary. As the dwelling is built on the western boundary there is no access along this side of the property (refer **Attachment 1**).
- 5. Staff investigated this request and confirmed that it meets all the criteria required for the installation of a kerbside "Residents Only" parking space as set out in Council policy. The property has no existing off street parking or the ability to provide any due to the proximity of the dwelling to the street frontage.
- 6. The residents of 20 Hastings Street West often have to park some distance from their dwelling due to vehicles belonging to workers in the immediate area and Sydenham being parked all day in their street. The Residents Only Parking Scheme was initially introduced to encourage the preservation of older historic dwellings of this type within the inner city.
- 7. Consultation was initiated with property owners and tenants in the immediate area with a plan, explanation letter and a voting form being delivered. Five response returns were received; all of these were in support of the residents at 20 Hastings Street West being provided with a residents only parking space. The Residents' Association for the area has been in recession for some time now.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8. The estimated cost of this proposal is approximately \$230.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

9. The installation of road markings and signs is within the LTCCP Streets and Transport Operational Budgets.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

10. Part 1, Clause 5 of the Christchurch City Council Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2008 provides Council with the authority to install parking restrictions by resolution.

- 11. The Community Boards have delegated authority from the Council to exercise the delegations as set out in the Register of Delegations. The list of delegations for the Community Boards includes the resolution of parking restrictions and traffic control devices.
- 12. The installation of any signs and/or markings associated with traffic control devices must comply with the Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004.

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

13. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

14. Aligns with the Streets and Transport activities by contributing to the Council's Community Outcomes-Safety and Community.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

15. As Above

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

16. The recommendation aligns with the Council's Parking Strategy 2003.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

17. As above

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

- 18. Consultation was initiated with property owners and tenants in the immediate area with a plan, explanation letter and a voting form being delivered. Five response returns were received; all of these were in support of the residents at 20 Hastings Street West being provided with a residents only parking space.
- 19. The Spreydon Residents' Group is presently in recession, however documentation was also delivered to the last known address of the contact person but there has been no response to date.
- 20. The Officer in Charge Parking Enforcement agrees with this recommendation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Spreydon / Heathcote Community Board approve that:

(a) A "Residents Only" parking space is installed on the south side of Hastings Street West commencing at a point 105 metres east of its Colombo Street intersection and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of five metres and be operative at all times.

CHAIRPERSONS RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.