



7. 76 STYX MILL ROAD - SALE OF PART

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present a recommendation from the Shirley/Papanui Community Board to the Council to seek the Council's approval to the sale of part of 76 Styx Mill Road shown as Lot 1 on the plan at **Attachment 1** to Enable Networks for the location of a building to support the ultra-fast broadband being provided to residents of Christchurch.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Enable Networks won the contract to provide Christchurch with ultra-fast broadband in May 2011. The project will cost \$440m and provide a fibre optic network to 180,000 homes. In order to service the new network it is necessary to construct a number of buildings to act as fibre optic hubs. Such are best placed in the middle of the area serviced and are designed to service 10 – 20,000 users.
3. A number of sites were investigated by Enable Networks but this location was considered the most favourable being located within the current transfer station site and shielded from the road by mature trees. It further benefits from being located on Council owned land and is endorsed by the Council's Water and Waste Unit as it does not impact on the current operations on the site.
4. The site to be sold will have a road frontage but this will not be used unless the remaining Council land is sold or access through the transfer station site is removed. An access agreement, utilising the current internal roading networks on the site, will therefore also be entered into to provide legal access to the site until this time.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. None. All costs, together with the open market value of the site and any associated easements, will be paid by Enable Networks.

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

7. No.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

8. A sale and purchase agreement will be entered into with Enable Networks.

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

9. Yes the Legal Services Unit has been consulted.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

10. This does not align with the LTCCP or Activity Management Plans.

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

11. No.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

12. Not applicable.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

13. Not applicable.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

14. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council approves a resolution in the following form:

- (a) Declare that part of 76 Styx Mill Road, as shown as Lot 1 on the plan in attachment 1, surplus and approve the unilateral sale of it to Enable Networks for the location of a building to support the ultra-fast broadband being provided to residents of Christchurch.
- (b) Delegate authority to the Corporate Support Unit Manager to manage, make decisions on and conclude the disposal process including any obligations under s.40 of the Public Works Act 1981.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.