6. PROVISION OF STATIONARY VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT SERVICES TO WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Council's authority to enter into an agreement with the Waimakariri District Council (the District) for the provision of stationary vehicle enforcement services to the District.

DISCUSSION

In October 1998 the District's Manager of Resource Planning and Regulation met with the Parking Operations Manager and proposed that the District contract the City's Parking Unit to provide stationary vehicle enforcement services within the District. The Parking Operations Manager agreed in principle that the Parking Unit would be prepared to enter into such an arrangement, subject to both the Council and the District resolving to do so, and to the negotiation of satisfactory terms.

The District has subsequently resolved to authorise the District's Resource Planning and Regulation Manager to negotiate an agreement with the City for provision of the abovementioned services, contingent on the City resolving to enter into such negotiations.

Section 247D of the Local Government Act 1974 empowers the City and the District to enter into an agreement such as that proposed, i.e. it provides general authorisation for one local authority to contract with another to perform any of the others functions.

This concept is not new to the Council and the Committee may recall that in January 1998 the Parking Unit entered into a similar agreement with the Banks Peninsula District Council (BPDC). This agreement was for an initial term of one year and as both parties were happy with its performance it has since been renewed.

SERVICE DELIVERY OPTIONS

There are essentially three practical options insofar as the provision of stationary vehicle enforcement services to the District are concerned:

1. Provision of a 'complete' service, i.e. enforcement of stationary vehicle offences by Parking Unit Parking Wardens, together with associated administrative functions.

2. The provision of enforcement only, with the District providing all administrative functions.

3. The Parking Unit providing appropriate training to officers of the District, who would then be responsible for enforcement, with the Parking Unit providing administrative support functions.

Note: In all cases the District as the *"Enforcement Authority'* would be required to make all decisions in respect of explanations received from individuals who have incurred infringement notices.

Of the above options the Parking Operations Manager's preferred option is 3. The District has indicated a preference for either options 1 or 3, with option 1 viewed as being for an interim period only.

The precise detail of the services which may be provided, and on what terms, have yet to be negotiated pending Council approval to enter into an agreement in the first instance.

CONCLUSION

The services provided by the Parking Unit under the terms of the existing agreement with Banks Peninsula District Council are essentially the same as that which are proposed for delivery to the Waimakariri District Council.

The BPDC agreement works well and there appears to be no reason that a similar arrangement with the District would not work likewise. In addition such an arrangement would fit well with the desire expressed during a recent Canterbury Mayors and CEOs forum of further developing joint service delivery.

Recommendation: 1.   That the Parking Operations Manager be authorised to negotiate and enter into, on behalf of the Council, an agreement with the Waimakariri District Council, based on options 1 and 3, with 1 being for an interim period only, for the provision of stationary vehicle related enforcement services to the District.

2.   That the Parking Operations Manager be authorised, on behalf of the Council, to renew such agreement from time to time as he considers appropriate.

**Chairman's
Recommendation:**   That the above recommendation be adopted.