7. SPARKS ROAD/VICTORS ROAD INTERSECTION GIVE WAY CONTROL

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The purpose of this report is to seek Board approval to install a give way control at the intersection of Sparks Road and Victors Road.

Motorists and residents have expressed concern to Council staff at the number of vehicle conflicts that occur at this intersection. Most motorists turning right into Victors Road cut the corner at speed. This can be attributed to the roadway width and large radius corner roundings. Generally, right turning vehicles entering Victors Road do not apply the give way rule as they are required to when a vehicle is turning right out of Victors Road, and cut the corner by travelling down the wrong side of the centre line. This practice has caused numerous minor conflicts/crashes at the intersection.

The Hillmorton Local Area Traffic Management Plan (LATM) recognises that some form of traffic calming is needed at this intersection. Unfortunately, no funds are available for this work at present.

A give way control on its own will not completely solve the corner cutting problem but will go a long way in providing some guidance to vehicle positioning on the roadway.

Recommendation: That a give way control be placed against Victors Road at its intersection with Sparks Road.