

5. NOTICE OF MOTION

The following Notice of Motion was submitted by Karolin Potter.

“That the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board requests that the Christchurch City Council waive fees for Resource Management Act requests regarding the demolition of privately owned heritage listed dwellings as a result of earthquake damage when a structural engineers report confirms the dwelling cannot be viably repaired.

Discussion

I understand that insurance companies are refusing to cover Resource Management Act fees for the demolition of houses that have been deemed beyond repair. This means that householders may be required to pay the RMA City Council fees which could be between \$1,000 to \$15,000. This is an unbearable burden for householders who inevitably face onerous non-recoverable expenses in the event of their homes being unliveable. Please note that the above refers to heritage listed houses only and the comment regarding insurance companies is general knowledge at the time of writing”.