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12. 240A HALSWELL ROAD - SALE OF PART

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Council's approval to the sale of part of 240a Halswell Road to Enable Networks for the location of a building to support 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 \$440 million 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 hubs 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, and has further benefits from being co-located with another public work.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

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

5. No.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. A sale and purchase agreement has been entered into with Enable Networks.

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

7. Yes the Legal Services Unit has been consulted. An easement for the main building is not appropriate given the permanent nature of the structure and the exclusive occupation of the site.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

8. 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?

9. No.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

10. Not applicable.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

11. Not applicable.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

12. Not applicable.

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Council adopts a resolution in the following form:

- (a) Approve the sale of part of 240a Halswell Road, as shown on the plan attached as **Attachment 1**, to Enable Networks.
- (b) Delegate authority to the Corporate Support Unit Manager to manage the disposal process.

BOARD RECOMMENDATION

The board's recommendation will be forwarded at a later date.