

**TO: INFRASTRUCTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**FROM: CLARE HADLEY, CHIEF EXECUTIVE**  
**MEETING DATE: TUESDAY, 3 AUGUST 2021**

<b>MAJOR LATE ITEM</b>
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**RECOMMENDATIONS**

**That the late report entitled:**

“Change to Delegations In Relation to Property Sale Lower Esk Street”.

**And That:**

**The Infrastructural services Committee receive, the attached report**

**“Be received at this meeting as a major late item, in order that matters can be progressed in a timely manner”**

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**CHANGE TO DELEGATIONS IN RELATION TO PROPERTY SALE LOWER ESK STREET**

**SUMMARY**

In October 2020 Invercargill City Council adopted its Delegations Policy. The Delegations Policy allocated responsibility for the property portfolio to the Infrastructural Services Committee.

This report requests that the delegation with respect to Lower Esk Street to negotiate the purchase price and sign purchase and sale agreements be delegated back to Council to allow the process to be completed within the purchasers indicated timeframes.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

**That the Infrastructural Services Committee**

- 1. Receive the report “Change to delegations in relation to property sale Lower Esk Street”; AND**
- 2. That the Committee hands its delegation back to Council to consider an offer on properties in Lower Esk Street in August 2021.**

**IMPLICATIONS**

1.	<i>Has this been provided for in the Long Term Plan/Annual Plan?</i> No
2.	<i>Is a budget amendment required?</i> No
3.	<i>Is this matter significant in terms of Council's Policy on Significance?</i> No
4.	<i>Implications in terms of other Council Strategic Documents or Council Policy?</i> This is a variation to the delegations set out in the Delegations Policy for a limit item.

5.	<i>Have the views of affected or interested persons been obtained and is any further public consultation required?</i> N/A
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## **SUMMARY**

Council anticipates receiving an offer to purchase properties located at Lower Esk Street. The purchaser has signalled that they would require a short negotiation period. To enable this to occur the Infrastructural Services Committee is proposing to hand its delegation to Council to be able to enter into a sale and purchase agreement.

## **Background**

In October 2020 Invercargill City Council (ICC) adopted its Delegation Policy (the Policy). The Policy relevantly provides that the property portfolio, including Investment Property and Housing Care be delegated to the Infrastructural Services Committee.

As a general rule once authority has been delegated to a committee or person it can only be revoked by amendment of the Policy, or with the consent of the delegate.

## **Lower Esk Street**

ICC has been exploring options with respect to the redevelopment of Lower Esk Street. It is anticipated that ICC will receive an offer for the purchase of those properties. Due to time constraints of the purchaser, and this committee's meeting schedule, it is not possible for this to be considered by this committee.

It is proposed that this committee agree that it will pass the delegation to deal with this offer back to Council for consideration at a special meeting on 10 August 2021.

It is noted that this decision does not impact the delegations as otherwise set out in the Policy.

## **Risk**

There are no additional risks identified by this process.

The decision is consistent with the objectives of the Policy namely to be efficient, effective and timely in delivering ICC services.