## **REAR OF 5 – 9 PRENTICE CLOSE, ROCHFORD**

## 1 SUMMARY

1.1 Members to consider a referral from Corporate Resources Sub Committee for the marking out of parking spaces to the rear of 5 - 9 Prentice Close, Rochford.

## 2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 Provision of vehicular access to the rear of 4 Malting Villas Road was discussed at the Corporate Resources Sub-Committee on 6 February.
- 2.2 The occupier requested the Council granted him right of way over the Council's access to the properties in Prentice Close to enable him to gain access to a garage he proposes to construct in the rear garden of 4 Malting Villas Road.
- 2.3 Objections to the proposal were received from occupiers of Nos 5 9 Prentice Close stating the requested access would compromise safety, parking and manoeuvring within the area. The survey undertaken by the Council's Engineers indicates that in granting permission for access to the rear garden of 4 Malting Villas Road, there would still be adequate provision for manoeuvring and the parking of twelve vehicles.
- 2.4 At the Corporate Resources Sub Committee of 6<sup>th</sup> February 2001 this application was refused but the issue of marking out parking spaces for the owners of 5 9 Prentice Close was referred to this Sub Committee.
- 2.5 Six occupiers of Prentice Close have to date organised their own parking. However, the Head of Service is not recommending the parking area be delineated and the bays be allocated to individual properties as this action has tended to lead to management problems in other locations, especially when perceived "unauthorised parking" occurs.
- 2.6 Although the Council retains the management and maintenance of this parking area it principally serves owner-occupied properties and not Housing Revenue Account properties.

## 3 **RECOMMENDATION**

3.1. It is proposed that the Sub-Committee **RECOMMENDS** 

That the parking bays to the rear of Prentice Close are not delineated and allocated. (HRHM)

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Background Papers:

None.

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