



31 May 2018

Dear Sir / Madam

**Re: The Henry Project Model for Single-Title, Multi-Household Dwellings in Nedlands**

I am a strong supporter of The Henry Project.

The Henry Project offers many advantages - socially, it fosters communication and interaction; economically, it assists with the sharing of ever-growing household expenses and physically, it is a low-key way of increasing population density while retaining the existing housing fabric and neighbourhood quality.

The Project will appeal to many single residents who remain in their own homes and wish to "age in place" but who enjoy the company of others to share experiences. In its simplest form, existing houses could be remodelled internally to provide a combination of shared and private spaces, without any change in outward appearance. More extensive changes may include building additions – perhaps rear extensions, a second storey or a granny flat, but always within existing planning and building regulations to ensure form and scale fit harmoniously with the streetscape and general area. Front setbacks and gardens would be retained according to the prevailing requirements.

I believe these housing concepts are particularly suited to Nedlands where there are pressures to increase residential densities at this time but also to protect the character of existing environments. Many residents are currently considering their housing options and this presents a real alternative.

I fully endorse The Henry Project and wish it every success.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Max Hipkins".

Max Hipkins  
**Mayor**