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The agonies, the ecstasies and ironies of making home: the experiences of Chinese residents in Ambrico Place

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Setting the scene

The research

– An evaluation of Auckland’s intensification policies

– Auckland Council and University of Auckland

– In part, a follow up of research undertaken in 2000/2001
A critical evaluation of housing intensification strategies and urban growth policies in Auckland: the team
From Clay Pit to Community:
A Study of Medium Density Housing
in Ambrico Place, New Lynn

Jenny Dixon, Ann Dupuis, Penny Lysnar,
Paul Spoonley, Richard Le Heron.

Report for the Waitakere City Council
April, 2001
Setting the scene

The Place – New Lynn

– Revitalisation

– Chinese population in New Lynn

– WCC mention of a possible Chinatown
New Lynn township, Auckland
Setting the scene

The Space – Ambrico Place

– Nine developments

– 45 in-depth interviews with residents who identified as Chinese

– 64% owner-occupiers / 36% renters
Ambrico Place, New Lynn
Setting the theme

Understanding the embodied, situated and affective nature of migrant of experiences in NZ

• Ontological security
• Sense of belonging
• Participation and inclusion
The question

How well has our host society recognised and supported the legitimacy and rights of Chinese migrants in Ambrico Place, to make this place their ‘home’?
The findings

• A pass / fail / could do better score card
Findings – services and public transport – ✔ pass
Findings – Ambrico Place amenities

- Trees for Babies
  A Celebration of Life
  This area was planted by the Community in 2009 to commemorate babies born in Waitakere City

- Manawa Wetland Reserve
  Parks, Living Experience
  Ph: 839 0400
Findings – community

✓ pass
Security/parking
☑ could do better
The leaky building syndrome
Body corporate management companies fail

- BC - an important part ‘getting on’ together in intensive living environments
- Previous research major problems with BCMCs
- Participants had relatively poor understanding of their function and operation
- Major communication issues

“No one speaks Chinese ... we can’t be involved in the decision making processes”.
Experiences of Chinese residents in Ambrico Place: the agonies, the ecstasies, and the ironies

• How well have Chinese migrants been recognised and supported in their endeavours to make Ambrico Place their ‘home’?

• The agonies – LBS and poor communication

• The ecstasies – New Lynn and Ambrico Place amenities

• The ironies:
Irony 1
Irony 2
Irony 3
Irony 4

Medium density housing

Long-term aspirations