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Report to the Landcare Committee from Rob Forlong, Divisional Manager, Landcare

# **Divisional Manager's Report**

#### 1. Purpose

To inform the Committee about the activities and progress of the Landcare Division since the Committee's last meeting.

### 2. Managers' Reports

The Departmental Managers' reports are attached.

## 3. Land Swap with Hutt City

The land swap with Hutt City Council (HCC) is again making significant progress. Over the last week or so the Wainuiomata and Eastbourne Community Boards have considered HCC's proposal to transfer control and management of the Northern Block of East Harbour Regional Park to the Wellington Regional Council. A paper will then be provided to the relevant HCC Committee who will make a formal decision on the matter, hopefully before the end of the year.

### 4. Liaison with Department of Conservation

Our liaison with the Department of Conservation (DOC) is going very well. On 22 October 2002 Murray Waititi, Philippa Crisp and I had our second "catch-up" meeting with senior DOC conservancy staff. Both meetings have been very productive and have enabled us to discuss a wide range of matters of mutual interest.

One of the things that we did was to provide our annual work programmes to DOC. This will allow us to co-ordinate jobs in a more structured way.

# 5. **Recommendations**

That the Committee:

- (1) **Receive** the report.
- (2) *Note* the contents of the report.

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Attachment 1 : Departmental Managers' Reports