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## **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. Sharyn Westlake – a jolly good fellow**

Last month Flood Protection Engineer Sharyn Westlake was made a Fellow of the Institute of Professional Engineers of New Zealand (IPENZ). Sharyn has served for several years on the Committee of the NZ Coastal Society, and has spent four years on the governing Board of IPENZ consistently making contributions to the activities of the Board, particularly representing the perspective of young people and women engineers. In 2003 she stepped forward to take the huge task as governing Board representative on the Competence Assessment Board.

Congratulation's Sharyn.

### **4. Waiwhetu study underway**

Many Councillors will already be aware that Brendan Paul has been commissioned by the Flood Protection Department to prepare the scoping study for the Waiwhetu flood hazard and possible mitigation options. Brendan's return from Ireland was well timed and we quickly snapped him up to do the work.

## 5. **Transfer of management of land in East Harbour and Belmont Regional Parks**

I am pleased to report further progress on the transfer of management of land in East Harbour and Belmont Regional Parks. At the last meeting Murray Waititi reported that we had found an appropriate mechanism to formalise Greater Wellington's management of the Kilmister, Korokoro and Sweetacres Blocks in Belmont Regional Park and the Northern Block in East Harbour Regional Park.

The first step in the process was for both Hutt City Council and Greater Wellington to notify our intent for the land to be managed by Greater Wellington in our respective Annual Plans. That step has now been completed. Once the Annual Plans are adopted we can move on to the final stages of the transfer.

## 6. **Harvey Norman development – Hutt City**

We have been making good progress in our discussions with Harvey Norman and Hutt City Council on the car parking arrangement. A report (04.228) is included on this Order Paper and I will provide you with an update at the meeting.

## 7. **Recommendations**

*That the Committee:*

1. **Receive** the report.
2. **Note** the contents of the report.

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**Attachment 1:** Departmental reports