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Committee Landcare

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Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan 2007

1. Purpose

To seek approval from the Committee for the final Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan 2007 as recommended by the Parks and Forests Hearing Committee.

2. Significance of the decision

The matters for decision in this report do not trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Background

On 19 September 2007 the Parks and Forests Hearing Committee will consider changes to the draft Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan. If the draft plan is adopted by the Hearings Committee, the plan will be recommended to Landcare for adoption and approval.

The Landcare Committee will then be required to submit the plan to Council for formal adoption.

4. Communications

Letters will be sent by the Chairperson of the Landcare Committee to submitters, advising them of the Committee's deliberations and decisions. A newsletter will be sent to all those people interested in the park and the plan review. Copies of the final plan will be made available to stakeholders, submitters, Council offices and libraries. The management plan's adoption will be announced with a media release and will be included in the next *Green Shoots* community newsletter. The media release will also highlight any changes that have been made to the draft plan as a result of public submissions.

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5. Recommendations

That the Committee, subject to the approval of the plan by the Parks and Forests Hearing Committee, recommends that the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Adopts the Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan subject to any minor technical or editorial amendments to be approved by the Committee Chair, and in accordance with section 619, Local Government Act 1974.
- 4. Revokes the Battle Hill Farm Forest Park adopted in 1992.
- **5.** Approves that Officers finalise publishing the Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan.

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