

**Battle Hill Draft Management Plan - Summary of submissions and recommended changes**

All policy and page numbers referred to in this column are those in the Battle Hill Farm Forest Park. Draft Management Plan 2006 as placed on the GWRC web site and in the formal bound document.

| No | Name  | Submission  | Concerns   | Suggestions and Comments  | Heard | Specific Recommendations | Recommended Changes  |
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| 1  | Robert Shaw   | Draft objectives okay.  |  |   |       |                          | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No change</li> <li>Continue best practice to achieve. No plan change required</li> <li>Noted, explore opportunities as they arise.</li> </ol>   |
| 2  | R J Badland   | Support draft plan and any planning which will minimise on the public use of the park. Supports the future allowance for education and display. |  |   | No    |                          | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted</li> <li>Noted</li> <li>Disagree</li> </ol>   |
| 3  | Lynette Wharfe, Chair, Pauatahanui Residents' Association | Local residents supportive in general of the current management practices.  | Part-time ranger might compromise park security  |   | Yes   |                          | <p><b>Concerns</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted</li> </ol> <p><b>Suggestions and Comments</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plan has provisions for minimising impacts of TMG. No change recommended</li> <li>Plan accommodates wind farm and consultation will be carried out through RMA process</li> <li>Aircraft in the park will be restricted at ranger's discretion</li> <li>Activity outside the park management plans jurisdiction but may be accommodated in other programs in the future</li> </ol>  |
| 4  | Richard Sadleir   | Support the ethic of protection for park.   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Battle Hill is not gazetted under the Reserves Act.</li> <li>Horokiwi Stream not mentioned for scientific/historical importance</li> </ol>                              |   | Yes   |                          | <p><b>Concerns</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not considered necessary for whole park but new policy inserted after 1.11 regarding gazettement of Native Bush Remnant.</li> <li>Disagree</li> </ol> <p><b>Suggestions and Comments</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted</li> <li>Disagree no change</li> <li>Introduction and Objective rewritten to incorporate user groups</li> <li>No change considered necessary</li> </ol> <p><b>Specific Recommendations</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Context is broader than just "adjacent" landowners. However, recognised that land managers also impact on the park. Incorporate the term Land managers into Objectives and relevant policies.</li> <li>Protection accommodated elsewhere in the plan. No change proposed.</li> <li>No change considered necessary</li> <li>Noted</li> <li>Noted</li> <li>Policy reworded for clarification</li> <li>Text box included to reflect significance of Horokiwi Stream</li> <li>Comment regarding monitoring noted.</li> </ol> |
| 5  | Roger Blakeley, Chief Executive, Porirua City Council     | Park is a significant recreational resource to the Region   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discrepancy in the ecological sites referred to in table 1 of the draft.</li> <li>Permanent legal protection of significant environmental areas and features</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Changes to use of park should align with PCC Rural Zone provisions in Porirua District Plan (currently under review)</li> <li>Counteract any possible concerns of effects of Transmission Gully impact on park users.</li> <li>Wind farm in park supported if shown not to impact on public use and enjoyment.</li> <li>Development of a region-wide strategic framework on wind farms.</li> </ol> |       |                          | <p><b>Concerns</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Table 1 expanded, coastal vegetation incorporated into a larger block</li> <li>Noted, remnant bush to be gazetted, new policy inserted after 1.11</li> </ol> <p><b>Suggestions and Comments</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Timing of land use changes are outside the parameters of this plan.</li> <li>Plan has provisions for minimising impacts of TMG. Approval of Works in WRC Forest Lands, Water Collection Areas, Regional Parks and Recreational areas 1994 to be included in list of council policies.</li> <li>Reference to opposition to access to wind farm via Battle Hill noted.</li> <li>Noted, outwith the scope of this plan, No change.</li> </ol>  |

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|    |  |  |   | 5. Strongly demonstrated leadership by GWRC required in sustainable land management standards   |       |                          | 5. Region wide approach to wind farming noted and being addressed outside this plan.<br><br><b>Specific Recommendations</b><br>1. Noted<br>2. This information is held within the Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Resource Statement<br>3. Table 1 amended and new policies inserted after 1.1, and 2.3.<br>4. New paragraph inserted in section titled 'Sustaining our Environment'  |
| 6  | Ann Neill<br>Central Region General Manager<br>New Zealand Historic Places Trust | Applauds the incorporation of cultural heritage into the draft | 1. No clear explanation of the issues or desired outcomes for cultural heritage within the park | 1. Clarification and consistency in policy wordings suggested<br>2. Misleading and inaccurate information about historic sites needs correcting.<br>3. More detail needed on the Heritage Asset Management Programme referred to in table 4 | Yes   |                          | <b>Concerns</b><br>1. Section titled 'Protecting Cultural Heritage' rewritten incorporating suggested changes.<br><br><b>Suggestions and Comments</b><br>1. Section titled 'Protecting Cultural Heritage' rewritten incorporating suggested changes.<br>2. Misleading and inaccurate information about historic sites corrected in line with suggestions.<br>3. New policy inserted after 2.27 and inclusion in Council Policies Paragraphs.<br><b>Specific Recommendations</b><br>1. Noted<br>2. Clarification of HPT Act 1993's role in protecting cultural heritage adopted.<br>3. Disagree no change<br>4. Not appropriate to this plan<br>5. Policy 2.26 revised and new policy inserted after 2.27<br>6. Quotation marks removed. No change to remainder of policy as "evidence" of archaeological significance is often anecdotal and unresearched but considered "significant" particularly to iwi<br>7. Policy 2.28 removed and placed in introduction as recommended<br>8. Noted<br>9. Noted<br>10. Policy 2.40 retained as considered relevant, but merged into policy 2.31<br>11. Policy 2.32 relaxed to reflect submitters recommendation<br>12. Noted<br>13. Noted<br>14. Policy 2.35 incorporated into Policy 2.34 as suggested.<br>15. Noted policy numbers amended through entire document.<br>16. Noted<br>17. Policy 2.39 incorporated into 2.38 as suggested<br>18. Not considered a duplication but merged with policy 2.31<br>19. Noted<br>20. Policy 2.42 merged with policy 2.34<br>21. Disagree, no change.<br>22. Noted<br>23. Rewritten to clarify and bring up-to-date<br>24. New policy inserted after 2.27 and inclusion in Council Policies Paragraphs. <b>Specific Recommendations</b> |
| 7  | J C Horne<br>Submissions Co-ordinator<br>Wellington Botanical Society            |  |   |   | Yes   |                          | 1. Suggestions incorporated into Vision on page 4.<br>2. Noted<br>3. Noted, sentence rewritten to clarify.<br>4. "monitored" added to first Objective, Page 14, as recommended, "significant" retained.<br>5. Policies 2.1 and 2.2 amended to include "monitor"<br>6. Supports, no plan change<br>7. Noted, covered by the GWRC "Environmental Asset Management Plan"<br>8. Disagree, no plan change   |

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|    |   |  |   |                          |       |                          | 9. Insert new policy after policy 2.8 to encourage the use of indigenous vegetation for erosion control, no change to policy 2.17.<br>10. Noted and no plan change recommended.<br>11. Disagree<br>12. Noted   |
| 8  | J Chris Horne   | Generally supportive   | 1. Devastation to park from wind farms and roading  |                          | Yes   |                          | <b>Concerns</b><br>1. Noted<br><br><b>Suggestions and Comments</b><br>1. Disagree<br>2. Disagree<br>3. Disagree<br>4. No change necessary, mountain biking is a restricted activity in the bush remnant requiring consent process for exemptions. Table Two amended to address Mt Biking in Bush Remnant   |
| 9  | Chris Drayton<br>Development Manager<br>RES NZ Ltd                                  |  | 1. Inconsistencies, - policies on the wind farm do not fit into overall objectives of the park  |                          | Yes   |                          | See attached handout and Policies 3.62 to 3.64.  |
| 10 | Grant Purdie<br>Land Access Officer<br>Cross Country Vehicle Club<br>Wellington Inc | Supportive of the plan to ensure ongoing preservation and development of the park. Appreciation of the park's contribution to club activities and member enjoyment | 1. Inconsistencies in headings, structure, and numbering scheme makes document difficult to understand.<br>2. Maps referenced to but not contained in the draft may mislead interpretation  |                          | No    |                          | <b>Concerns</b><br>1. Noted, will be amended before publication<br><br>2. Noted, Maps to be included in final version<br><br><b>Suggestions and Comments</b><br>1. Typographic errors have been resolved<br><b>Specific Recommendations</b><br>1. Motorised recreation not included in vision as not seen as a "principal" activity in the park.<br>2. One camping removed<br>3. Noted, no change recommended<br>4. Policy 2.32 modified<br>5. Noted, no change recommended as covered by other policies<br>6. Noted, no change<br>7. New Preamble and objectives included, policy 3.6 amended in line with recommendations<br>8. Table 2 amended and policy 3.18 amended to manage motorised access.<br>9. Not relevant to this plan as an operational matter, suggestion referred to ranger and asset management planner. No change to plan<br>10. Noted<br>11. First sentence in Objective on page 35 amended as suggested<br>12. Included provisions for managing "user conflicts" in "New Tracks" in the "Way Forward" section. The use of motorised vehicles will be managed as per policy 3.18 18 |
| 11 | Michael Taylor<br>Conservation Officer<br>Taruia Tramping Club Inc                  | Commendation on a positive approach to park management   | 1. GWRC should undertake Public consultation on the wind farm proposal before the resource consent application<br>2. Plan should provide more certainty than just a "guide".<br>3. Maps referenced to but not contained in the draft may mislead interpretation |                          |       |                          | <b>Concerns</b><br>1. Noted<br><br>2. Recommendation noted, no change to plan recommended<br><br>3. Noted, maps to be included in final version.<br><br><b>Suggestions and Comments</b><br>1. Noted, will be amended before publication<br><b>Specific Recommendations</b><br>1. No change to plans Vision, it is consistent with Network Management Plan and other park management plans<br>2. Disagree, Plan needs to be flexible enough to allow for future changes in Government policy, funding streams through the GWRC LTCCP Annual Plan, changes in land management practices etc. No Change.  |

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|    |  |  |  |   |       |                          | 3. Plan amended to allow for bush reserve to gazetted with a new policy after policy 1.11<br>4. Noted<br>5. Replaced "current" with "2007" as requested, and expand statement to take into account LTCCP Annual Plan process.<br>6. Noted<br>7. Disagree, GWRC are supportive of Transmission Gulley Development, and this plan sits within the broader strategic policy guidelines of the council.<br>8. Disagree, this plan sits within the broader strategic policy guidelines of the council.<br>9. Noted, this submission has highlighted the wider issue of a lack of policies covering horse riding, dogs, camping and mountain biking that have now been inserted into the plan.<br>10. Noted, no plan change recommended<br>11. Points noted, outside of the scope of the plan.<br>12. Policy 5.8 amended to show that resources will be available for the public |
| 12 | B J Mitcalfe   |  |  |   |       |                          | Noted and changes made   |
| 13 | Yana Bosseva, Planner<br>Burton Consultants (for Transpower)           |  |  |   |       |                          | <b>Suggestions and Comments</b><br>1. Noted, see below for changes<br>2. Noted, see below for changes<br><b>Specific Recommendations</b><br>2. Modified from "utilities development" to "network utilities"<br>3. Noted, and retained<br>4. Noted, and retained<br>5. Policy 3.36 amended to include "minor upgrade"<br>6. Noted, operational matter outwith the scope of this plan.<br>7. Noted and retained<br>8. Amended policy 3.43 to include "Except for the National Grid"<br>9. Disagree no change.<br>10. Inserted new policy after 3.45<br>11. Noted and retained  |
| 14 | Brenten Higson<br>Saint Bernard's College                              | Battle Hill is an educational resource well used by the school and this should continue. |  |   |       |                          | No plan change requested. Insert mention of St Bernard School Woodlot in Part D section entitled 'Involving Community Partners.'   |
| 15 | Neil Bellingham  |  | Minimal mention of the educational value of the park and Ken Gray Education Centre |   | No    |                          | Include mention of educational values of park in the preamble of "Part C Sustaining Opportunities and Use"   |
| 16 | Kris Ericksen, President, Wellington Hand Gliding and Paragliding Club |  |  | 1. Addition of potential users of the park by hand gliders and Para gliders.  | Yes   |                          | Policy 3.24 amended to 'motorised aircraft', new policy after policy 3.25 to manage hang gliding.  |
| 17 | Darryl McMillan, Land / Easement Officer, Vector                       |  |  | Gas pipelines in the park are subject to the Pipeline Easement Certificate which affords Vector with the right to remove from the easement strip all cultivated or natural vegetation |       |                          | Noted, no change required, refer also to Map 4 Utilities   |