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Committee **Council**
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Ara Tahi on 1 February 2006

1. Purpose

To report to Council the proceedings of the meeting of Ara Tahi held on 1 February 2006.

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 and Comment

3.1 Management restructure

In David Benham's absence Council Chairperson Ian Buchanan explained the outcomes of the recent management restructure to Ara Tahi.

3.2 Iwi input into off farm disposal sites

Officers advised Ara Tahi that they had prepared a map for Biosecurity New Zealand which showed where off farm disposal facilities should not be erected. Officers said they needed to include areas of significance to iwi in the exclusion mapping. Ara Tahi requested a workshop to find out more about off farm disposals and to discuss how staff would be best to consult iwi and how iwi could provide information to be included in the burial exclusion mapping.

3.3 Iwi input into Regional Policy Statement process

It was agreed that officers would put together a programme for consulting individual iwi to get their views on how effective the Regional Policy Statement policies and methods have been.

3.4 Iwi commissioner nominations

Ara Tahī nominated Tom Paku, Liz Burge and Pita Flynn to be iwi appointees for resource consent hearings. They were informed of the training that was required for appointees at a previous workshop.

4. Communication

There are no matters in this report requiring further communication.

5. Recommendations

That Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*

Report approved by:

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Ian Buchanan
Council Chairperson

Chris Turver
Chairperson, Environment Committee