

Chairperson and Community Board Members
ŌTAKI COMMUNITY BOARD

2 SEPTEMBER 2014

Meeting Status: **Public**

Purpose of Report: For Information

**DRAFT DISTRICT POLICY FOR TREES ON COUNCIL
ADMINISTERED LAND**

PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1 This report invites the Ōtaki Community Board to consider and develop a submission on the proposed Draft District Policy for Trees on Council Administered Land (appendix 1).

SIGNIFICANCE OF DECISION

- 2 This report does not trigger the Council's Significance Policy.

BACKGROUND

- 3 On 7 August 2014 the Environment and Community Development (ECD) Committee considered report CS-13-1088, Proposed District Policy for Trees on Council Administered Land. This report outlined the background and rationale for implementing a new policy relating to trees on Council administered land.
- 4 The ECD Committee resolved:

That the Committee recommends that the District Policy for Trees on Council Administered Land referenced in Appendix 1 of report CS-13-1088 be sent to Community Boards for feedback, distributed for public consultation and submissions considered within the framework of the policy prior to adoption.

CONSIDERATIONS

Issues

- 5 As the draft policy will affect the entire district each of the four Community Boards will be asked to provide feedback.
- 6 The submission period ends on 10 October 2014. Because of the timeframe it is suggested that, should the Board wish to make a submission, it also authorises the Chair to signoff the Board's submission in order to meet the deadline.

Financial Considerations

- 7 There are no financial considerations.

Legal Considerations

- 8 There are no legal considerations.

Delegation

- 9 The Ōtaki Community Board has delegated authority to consider this matter under section 10.26 of the Council's Governance Structure and Delegations:

Submissions

Authority to review and approve any Community Board submission on issues within its area

Consultation

- 10 The draft policy has been released for public consultation. Copies of the draft have been placed in District Libraries and Council Service Centres and highlighted on the Council website. All Community Boards will be consulted on the draft policy before the draft is taken back to the Council for adoption.

Policy Implications

- 11 Community Board feedback may influence the policy.

Tāngata Whenua Considerations

- 12 There are no known issues related to iwi or the Treaty of Waitangi.

Publicity Considerations

- 13 The draft policy has been publicly released with a media release encouraging community feedback.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 14 That the Ōtaki Community Board confirms it will make a submission on the Draft District Policy for Trees on Council Administered Land and that the Ōtaki Community Board authorises the Chair to sign off the submission on behalf of the Board.

or

- 15 That the Ōtaki Community Board confirms it does not wish to make a submission on the Draft District Policy for Trees on Council Administered Land.

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ATTACHMENTS:

- Appendix 1 Draft District Policy for Trees on Council Administered Land