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Committee Regional Sustainability Committee  
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## Information for deliberations on the draft Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan

### 1. Purpose

To provide information for the Committee to deliberate on the written and oral submissions for the draft *Battle Hill Farm Forest Management Plan 2008*.

### 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*.

The Committee's deliberations at this meeting will conclude the submission process undertaken by Greater Wellington Regional Council.

### 3. Background

#### 3.1 Information for deliberations

In April 2009 officers requested the Regional Sustainability Committee to consider the written submissions on the draft Plan (refer to attachment No. 1, Report No. 09.247) and advised that deliberations would take place at a future meeting of the Regional Sustainability Committee.

For your convenience, the report in attachment 1 provides a summary of submissions. A summary of the oral submissions (Report No. 09.282) which was given to the Council in May has been provided in attachment 2. This also includes also contains the public minutes of the meeting.

#### 3.2 Process for deliberations and decision making

Only those members of the Committee who heard the oral submissions may consider and deliberate on the submissions, and form any recommendations

made as a result of those deliberations. Deliberations must be made following the principles of consultation (set out in the *Local Government Act 2002*) where, following listening to the views of affected parties, the Council gives reason for their decisions and, where applicable, finds out what the practical options are for dealing with issues and carefully assesses them.

As agreed by the Committee in April 2009 (refer to Report No. 09.208) after final deliberations, the Committee will make a recommendation to Council on the proposed amendments to the draft *Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan* (contained in attachment 3). The Committee's recommendations and Council's decision must be made in light of the submissions that have been received.

#### **4. Communication**

Formal replies will be sent to all submitters who have supplied their contact details soon after Council has made its decision on proposed amendments to the management plan. It is proposed that the replies include a brief summary of the reasons for Council's decision.

#### **5. Recommendations**

*That the Committee:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Undertakes its deliberations on the submissions received on the draft Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan 2008.*
4. *Notes that officers will prepare a report to the Committee incorporating a revised draft management plan as a result of the deliberations.*

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#### **Attachments**

- 1 Report No. 247, Consideration of submissions for the draft Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan 2008

- 2 Report No. 282, Report of the Regional Sustainability Committee meeting (Hearing on draft Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan) held on 16 April 2009
- 3 Draft *Battle Hill Farm Forest Park Management Plan 2008*