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Report PE 05.573

Policy, Finance and Strategy Committee

Minute extract from meeting held on 18 October 2005

Managing Whareroa Farm on behalf of the Crown

Moved

That the Committee recommends that Council

- (1) Receive the report.
- (2) Note the contents.
- (3) Agree in principle that it would be agreeable to accepting the management and control of Whareroa Farm from the Department of Conservation if the management and control arrangement between the parties satisfies the following principles
 - i. That Council management of Whareroa Farm is to be unfettered unfettered.
 - ii That at the time of handover of management, no pre-conditions or arrangements will exist other than a farming licence.
 - iii That any farming licence put in place over Whareroa Farm prior to handover of management will be negotiated, drafted and agreed in full consultation with Council.
 - iv That the farm is to be incorporated into Queen Elizabeth Park and managed as part of that park under the same terms and conditions that are currently set between the Department of Conservation and the Council for that park.
 - v That an ongoing revenue stream from a farming licence will come across to the Council as part of the management and control transfer.
- (4) Authorise officers to enter into discussions with the Department of Conservation regarding the future management of Whareroa Farm, and report back to Council with

the outcome of these discussions.

Resolved by Amendment

That part of 3(b) of the report recommendation be amended to read:

Agree in principle that it would be agreeable to consider accepting the management and control of Whareroa Farm from the Department of Conservation if the management and control arrangement between the parties satisfies the following conditions.....

Moved

That the Committee recommends that Council

Ask officers to discuss with KCDC and community groups the level of support that they are willing to contribute to the management of Whareroa Farm.

Resolved

That the Committee recommends that Council

- (1) Receive the report.**
- (2) Note the contents.**
- (3) Note the valuable contribution made by members of the public, notably the Guardians of Whareroa, to preserving Whareroa farm in public ownership.**
- (4) Agree in principle that it would be agreeable to consider accepting the management and control of Whareroa Farm from the Department of Conservation if the management and control arrangement between the parties satisfies the following conditions**
 - i That Council management of Whareroa Farm is to be unfettered.**
 - ii That any farming licence put in place over Whareroa Farm prior to handover of management will be negotiated, drafted and agreed in full consultation with Council.**
 - iii That at the time of handover of management, no pre-conditions or arrangements will exist other than a farming licence.**
 - iv That any ongoing revenue stream from a farming licence will come across to the Council as part of the management and control transfer.**

(5) Authorise officers to enter into discussions with the Department of Conservation regarding the future management of Whareroa Farm, and report back to Council with the outcome of these discussions.

(6) Request officers to investigate and report on the feasibility and costs of incorporating the farm into Queen Elizabeth park and managing it as part of that park.

Resolved

That the Committee

Asks staff to take into account all matters raised by Councillors today.