



15. SPORTS CLUB LEASES – EXISTING OCCUPATIONS

The Parks and Waterways Manager submitted a report proposing that lease agreements be put in place for existing established sports clubs that do not have a current lease for their premises.

The report advised that the Department of Conservation has interpreted Section 4 of the Conservation Act 1987 as requiring that the Reserves Act be administered so as to give effect to the principles of the Treaty. As part of this obligation the Council is required to consult with and have regard to the views of the iwi when making decisions about reserves for which it is the administering body. Consultation with Te Runanga O Ngai Tahu has taken place and a process is being negotiated for clearance of any interest they may have in respect of the reserves affected by the leasing proposals covered in this report.

The report will be referred to the Council when the response of Te Runanga O Ngai Tahu is available.