

JOHN BRITTEN RESERVE CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR A LICENCE TO GRAZE SHEEP

John Britten Reserve is a reserve administered by the Christchurch City Council under the provisions of the Local Government Act. The reserve mostly comprises tussock grassland with some rock outcrops and overlaps two ecological heritage sites, EHS 27.05 (Heathcote Valley, east branch/ basin) and EHS 28.06 (Mt Pleasant Spur). As part of the Port Hills Reserves, this Park is managed primarily for conservation of indigenous species, recreation and visual values. To avoid further deterioration of indigenous vegetation the Council wants to grant a sheep-grazing licence as a conservation management tool, primarily to conserve the ecological values of the tussock grassland.

The council invites proposals from interested parties for a licence to graze sheep on the land described in the schedule below for a maximum period of 5 years.

Schedule

Approximately 35.2 hectares being part Lot 1 DP83474

Proposals are to be in accordance with the document entitled "Request for Proposals for Gazing Licence-John Britten Reserve dated September 2003 (RFP 03/04-80) and must be received by 12 noon on Wednesday 15 October 2003.

To obtain a copy of the RFP document or further information from the Council's Parks and Waterways Unit, contact Tony Hallams Policy and Leasing Officer, telephone 941-8320 or Paul Devlin Head Ranger Port Hills, telephone 025-226-7962 between 8.30am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday.