

14. POLICY ON SIGNIFICANCE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To recommend adoption of a updated version of the Policy on Significance as it appears in the draft LTCCP.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. This Policy on Significance has been amended as attached to incorporate typographical changes, printing omissions and clarification of 'Significant decisions that may impact on land or water of importance to Maori '(section 77(1)(c))'.
3. The amended version would appear in the final LTCCP 2006-16.

CONSIDERATIONS

4. The amendments to the policy cover three things:
 - (i) Typographical changes and changes to the notations(eg Roman numerals to numbers).
 - (ii) Addition of a sentence on housing missed off by the printer in producing the draft LTCCP. This was in the draft policy adopted by the Council in January 2006.
 - (iii) Revision of the piece on 'Significant decisions that may impact on land or water of importance to Maori '(section 77(1)(c))'. We do not have a Maori Liaison Subcommittee and at least one submission on the draft LTCCP noted this. The wording here has been amended to indicate the process to be used when discussing significant decisions that may impact on land or water of importance to Maori.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council adopt the amended version of the Policy on Significance as attached.