2. WIGRAM AERODROME MASTERPLANNING CONSULTANT TEAM PRESENTATION

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The Consultant team from Davie, Lovell-Smith Ltd, Baxter Brown Ltd and Common Ground Ltd has been appointed by Ngai Tahu Property Group to produce a masterplan for future urban development of the Wigram Aerodrome. The objective of the masterplan – and the process of its preparation – is to provide for properly planned urban expansion over the property for various forms of residential development as well as community and commercial facilities and activities. It is expected that the masterplan and the process of its formulation will be used later in a zone change or variation process within the City Plan review.

The masterplan will cover approximately 240 hectares of the ex-air force base, including many of the existing buildings, runways, and open space. The consultant team has spent the last few months researching the numerous important issues for the project, including:

- traffic routes and patterns and the proposed southern arterial highway near the site.
- the existing infrastructure and its capability for expansion
- the residential, commercial and industrial market situation and demand forecasts, and
- the various development issues and opportunities afforded by the site, in the context of the existing land uses in the area and environs and the future growth anticipated by the City Plan.

The Consultant team recognises that the landowner and the community may only get one opportunity to develop a vision and strategy for the aerodrome site. Close liaison with the community and its Council is therefore paramount to achieve a broadly acceptable development regime.

The Council has an officer core-group which meets regularly with the consultants.

The Community Advocate, Sockburn is a member of the core-group.

Today, the Consultant group representatives wish to brief the Community Board on their plans, and to discuss the involvement of the Board in the community consultation that will be initiated.

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