

6. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE ON RICCARTON BUSH TRUST

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for Councillor Harrow to be appointed as the Council's remaining representative on the Riccarton Bush Trust.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. At its meeting on 10 February 2005, the Council appointed Councillor Bob Shearing as one of its two representatives on the Riccarton Bush Trust. The remaining appointment was held in abeyance.
3. Councillor Harrow has since agreed to serve as a member of the Trust, and this report therefore recommends Councillor Harrow's appointment to the remaining vacancy.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

4. In the case of the Riccarton Bush Trust, the Council has made six appointments in the past. The long-standing practice has been for the Council to appoint three of the representatives (one of which is nominated by the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board) and the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board the remaining three.
5. However, it is understood that it is the Trust's intention to see a reduction in the number of Council representatives on the Trust. The Trust has suggested that the number of City Council appointments be reduced by two, one from the City Council and one from the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board. This will make the total number of Council appointments two, and Community Board appointments two.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. Where Councillors are appointed to outside organisations, their attendance at meetings will be covered by their elected members' salary, and meeting fees will not apply. Thus, there are no substantial financial implications, apart from the payment of mileage incurred in attending such meetings.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council appoint Councillor Pat Harrow as the remaining Council representative on the Riccarton Bush Trust.