6. CHRISTCHURCH CITY DISTRICT PLAN: CHANGE 16 CHRISTCHURCH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT RUNWAY END PROTECTION AREAS – FINAL APPROVAL

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. This report seeks a resolution from the Council that it approve changes to the City Plan introduced by its decision on Plan Change 16 Christchurch International Airport Runway End Protection Areas.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. Plan Change 16 (**Attachment 1**) is a privately requested change initiated by Christchurch International Airport Ltd that sought to amend provisions in the District Plan relating to Runway End Protection Areas (REPA) and Approach Surfaces for the cross-wind runway (Runway 11/29) at Christchurch International Airport ('the Airport'). This change would enable increased airfield operational capacity and more efficient and safe use of the Airport's combined runway system. The Plan Change makes provision for the enlargement (both widening and lengthening) of the existing REPA and the widening of the existing strip for the cross-wind runway (Runway 11/29).
- 3. Following a hearing in March 2010 Commissioner John Milligan recommended to the Council that the plan change should be approved with modification. His report was considered on 8 July 2010 when the Council made a decision to adopt his recommendation.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct financial implications.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

5. The recommendation will not impose on the LTCCP budgets.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. The recommendation in this report is for the Council to take the procedural step to make operative the changes introduced by the Council's decision on Plan Change 16. The Resource Management Act 1991 requires that, following the closing of the appeal period and the resolution of any appeals, the Council must formally approve the changes to the plan under clause 17 of Schedule 1 before the plan change becomes operative on a date that is nominated in a public notice of the Council's approval. As no appeal against the Council's decision was received this plan change has now reached the stage where it can be made operative.

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

7. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

Aligns with District Plan Activity Management Plan.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

9. Yes. Supports the project of processing all privately requested plan changes in compliance with statutory processes and time frames.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Not applicable.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

11. Not applicable.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

12. Approval of changes to the District Plan under clause 17 of Schedule 1 to the Resource Management Act 1991 is a procedural step that does not require consultation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council:

- (a) Approve, pursuant to clause 17(2) of the Resource Management Act 1991, the changes to the District Plan introduced by the Council's decision on Plan Change 16 Christchurch International Airport Runway End Protection Areas.
- (b) Authorise the General Manager, Strategy and Planning to determine the date on which the changes introduced by Plan Change 16 become operative.