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Regional Policy Statement and Regional Plan implementation

1. Purpose

To inform the Committee of progress in implementing the Regional Policy Statement and regional plans during the 2006/2007 year.

2. Background

The Annual Plan requires implementation of the Regional Policy Statement and regional plans by progressing the following programmes to the satisfaction of the Council:

- Queen Elizabeth II Trust Private Land Protection programme
- Waiwhetu Stream Action Plan
- Pauatahanui Inlet Action Plan
- Wetland Action Plan
- Kaiwharawhara Stream Action Plan
- Coastal and Marine Ecosystem programme
- Freshwater Ecosystems programme.

Attachment 1 to this report summarises the work done during the 2006/2007 financial year on these programmes. The implementation of these programmes relies on the input of staff from departments across the Council. Significant progress is being made and Councillors can be satisfied with the implementation activities this year.

Updates on many of the programmes mentioned in this report have also been presented to the Committee during the year.

3. Communication

Communicating the programmes contained in this report would be difficult in a press release, given the range of topics and the ongoing nature of much of the work. Many of the activities described in this report have been publicised through our website, Elements and press releases during the year.

4. Recommendations

That the Committee:

- 1. **Receives the report; and***
- 2. **Notes the content.***

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Attachment 1: Summary of work on the Regional Policy Statement and Regional Plans