

STAFF REPORT

TO: Councillors
FROM: Chief Executive
REFERENCE:
DATE: 18 April 2006
SUBJECT: Network Tasman Trust/Trustee Eligibility

BACKGROUND

Network Tasman propose to amend their Trust Deed so as to exclude “elected members or employees of a Local Authority” from holding office as a Trustee. A copy of their advert is attached.

COMMENT

- 1 This proposal is highly undemocratic.
- 2 The proposed Trust Deed is very likely an infringement of Human Rights legislation.
- 3 This is the second time in the last nine years that the Trust have tried to exclude local authority elected members as Trustees.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Chief Executive be authorised to make a submission to the Network Tasman Trust; opposing this amendment to their Trust Deed.

R G Dickinson
Chief Executive

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