

OTOROHANGA DISTRICT COUNCIL TO AMEND THE LTCCP 2009-19

Proposed Council Shareholding Participation in Local Government Funding Agency

A combined initiative of Local and Central Government has led to a proposal to establish the New Zealand Local Government Funding Agency ("LGFA"), which is a Council Controlled Trading Organisation ("CCTO"), the purpose of which is to provide loans to local government at lower rates of interest than those offered by commercial lenders.

It is proposed that Otorohanga District Council will become a shareholder of the LGFA, making an equity investment of \$100,000 in the scheme. It is believed that the lower loan interest rates obtainable through the LGFA has the potential to significantly reduce Council's costs.

Otorohanga District Council is proposing to amend the Long Term Council Community Plan 2009-19, in accordance with the special consultative procedure set out in s83 of the Local Government Act 2002. This will require amending the Liability Management Policy and The Investment Policy to reflect the involvement of the Council in the Local Government Funding Agency (LGFA) as an establishing shareholding local authority.

A statement of proposal may be inspected at Otorohanga District Council offices at 17 Maniapoto St, Otorohanga. Copies are also available on Council's website www.otodc.govt.nz or by calling our Customer Services team, Phone 0800 734 000, Fax 07 873 4300 or email kelly@otodc.govt.nz.

Submissions are invited on this Proposal

Submissions must:

1. Clearly show the submitter's name, address and contact phone number.
2. Provide details on which parts of the statement of proposal are submitted against, why and what changes are requested.
3. Indicate whether the submitter wishes to be heard by Council in support of the submission. (Note – the substance of the submission should be in writing. Verbal presentations should be restricted to around 15 minutes.)
4. Be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Otorohanga District Council, PO Box 11, Otorohanga 3940; or emailed to anne@otodc.govt.nz and clearly labelled SUBMISSION – AMENDMENT TO THE LTCCP 2009-19.
5. Submissions will close at **4pm on Monday 5th September 2011** and you may present your submission at the Council meeting to be held 13th September 2011 commencing at 10.00 am. The meeting will be open to the public.

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