# STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Community Services Committee

FROM: Reserves Manager

**DATE:** 7 December 2009

**SUBJECT:** Waimea River Park Draft Management Plan

#### **PURPOSE**

To recommend approval for the Waimea River Park Draft Management Plan to be released for public comment.

### **BACKGROUND**

As part of the vision for the park the Community Services Committee resolved that a Management Plan should be prepared to allow for public consultation to be undertaken. The intention of Council to prepare the plan was publicly notified and a number of submissions were received which were used to help prepare the draft plan.

#### COMMENT/DISCUSSION

Mike Harding, Environmental Consultant, was engaged to prepare the plan with assistance from staff from Councils Engineering, Environment & Planning and Community Services Departments.

#### **SIGNIFICANCE**

This is not significant under Council's significance policy.

## **AFFECTED PARTIES**

Council, holders of riverberm leases and users.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Community Services Committee approves the Waimea River Draft Management Plan December 2009 and the release of the plan for public comment.

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