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Submission on Environment Canterbury's 2019/2020 Draft Annual Plan

I support the proposed changes to the Revenue and Financing Policy to create a rating area (including the Port Hills) to support the vision for a pest-free Banks Peninsula.

Te Taumutu Rūnanga (the Rūnanga) tautoko the Pest Free Banks Peninsula Working Group submission in supporting the proposed changes to the Revenue and Financing Policy to create a rating area (including the Port Hills) to support the vision for a pest-free Banks Peninsula.

The Rūnanga have always been dedicated to supporting the protection and enhancement of Canterbury's indigenous biodiversity.

In November 2018, the Rūnanga signed a Memorandum of Understanding supporting the Pest Free Banks Peninsula / Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū Initiative that will help eradicate animal pest species around the Banks Peninsula and on Kaitorete.

The kaupapa of this initiative very much aligns with the Rūnanga policies outlined in the Mahaanui Iwi Management Plan and Te Taumutu Rūnanga Natural Resource Management Plan below.

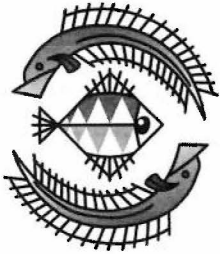
Mahaanui Iwi Management Plan

The Mahaanui Iwi Management Plan indicates that pest eradication is critical to achieving the mahinga kai and biodiversity objectives identified in the plan with key concerns including that pest invasions can significantly compromise restoration efforts.

TM4.5: To support private landowners and conservation groups that are undertaking weed and pest control programmes

Te Taumutu Rūnanga Natural Resource Management Plan

Introduced wildlife, including possums, rats, stoats and cats have a visible impact on the landscape that includes indigenous vegetation and bird species.



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The Rūnanga look forward to continuing their work with the Pest Free Banks Peninsula Working Group and achieving a pest free Banks Peninsula.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Julie Robilliard'. The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a dark ink.

Julie Robilliard

Chair, Te Taumutu Rūnanga Incorporated Society