



Waikato : he reo kotahi
Waikato : one voice

TO: Waikato Plan Joint Committee

FROM: Waikato Plan Project Director

DATE: 10th February, 2015

FILE REFERENCE: 051302

SUBJECT: Waikato Plan: Presentation from Professor Iain White, University of Waikato

DECISIONS REQUIRED:

That the Joint Committee:

1. Receive the verbal report '*Presentation from Professor Iain White, University of Waikato*'.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this presentation is to provide an opportunity for the Waikato Plan Joint Committee to learn more about spatial planning practice from an internationally recognised expert, including the potential outcomes and benefits of spatial planning. Professor White will discuss opportunities for the Plan to:

- Provide a voice for the Waikato
- Better attract and direct capital into the Waikato
- 'Brand' the region and sub-regions
- Protect natural assets that have economic and social value
- Explore economies of scale that can generate future cost savings

Impact of Decision

For information only.

Budget Implications

There are no budget implications associated with this report.

Risk Profile

Low.