

1 June 2012

Ms April Glenday
Secretary
Friends of Maungawhau Inc.

Dear April

I am pleased to confirm that the Albert-Eden Local Board values greatly the work that the Friends of Maungawhau group does to restore and preserve the environmental integrity of, and to enable Aucklanders to enjoy better, one of Auckland's pre-eminent maunga.

The support that the Board provides from its own limited resources, and the inclusion of Kit Howden on the Board's Sustainability Advisory Panel, is evidence of the regard in which the group is held. The importance of the role played by volunteer groups in our area is specifically recognised in the Board's *Local Board Plan 2011*, and I can confirm that, along with a couple of other leading volunteer groups, it was the work of the Friends of Maungawhau that led to this recognition. The Board has in this way committed itself to working with and supporting where it can, the Friends of Maungawhau.

I am happy to provide further details on these points or any others of relevance.

Yours sincerely



Dr Peter Haynes
Chair
Albert-Eden Local Board