





# Tenei te Kaupapa Nui o Te Kaporeihana Tiaki Whenua Maori ki Rakiura:

Tiakina ona putea, ona whenua i tukua Ma te Poari tenei Kauapapa Nui e whai ake nei: Ka korerotia ki ona ropu honohono;

Ka whanaketia tona ohaki i tukua mo nga ropu honohono, mo nga uri e muri ake nei.

Ka whakahaere ona take katoa i te pono;

This is the Mission Statement for Rakiura Maori Lands Trust

To guard/protect its financial resources and its land holdings it has received;

It is for the Board in its pursuits, to:

Liaise with its affiliated groups;

Manage all of its affairs transparently/truthfully;

Advance its legacy it has received for its affiliated groups and for the descendents of this and future generations.





## **Chairman's Report**

It is with great pleasure that I bring you a report on behalf of the Trustees for the Rakiura Maori Lands Trust for the 2005-2006 financial year.

While the most pleasing result for many will be the financial result, which is covered in detail within our report, there are several other activities that are equally important.

We have continued to focus on development as an organisation and see this as a primary building block to a successful future for the Trust and the taonga it manages on behalf of all its stakeholders.

The following provides an overview of the Trust and its activities in developing and maintaining the taonga of the Rakiura Maori Land Trust in 2005-2006.

### Governance

The Trustees continue to develop the governance of the Trust to ensure current and future is effective and appropriate. Half of the existing Trustees have now completed the Institute of Directors in New Zealand, "Introduction to Directorship training." The Institute promotes excellence in corporate governance, represents directors' interests and facilitates their professional development through education and training. It is a membership organisation of around 4000 individuals representing the spectrum of New Zealand enterprise, from the public and private sectors.

The Trust intends to complete Introduction to Directorship training for all Trustees over the next 12 months. We also hope to strengthen our involvement with the Institute of Directors and utilise their resources. In the longer term, we will continue to develop current and future Trusts to ensure a professional standard of competence is reached and maintained by all Trustees.

We have also successfully implemented a Trust Governance Policy to guide our ongoing governance. This is an important step towards setting and maintaining a proper and uniform standard within the Trust, to ensure ethical and professional standards are developed and continued within the Trust. The Governance Policy is will continue to **be** developed in line with the needs of the Trust.



**Chairman's Report** (continued)



### **Business Improvement**

During the past year, we have kept developing our hut-building programme with the addition of two more huts. These huts replace the campsites that have been growing and damaging the surrounding areas. As previously reported, the Department of Conservation's experiences on the island has highlighted a major reduction in land damage where huts have been introduced. Our experience confirms this. We will be continuing with the hut-building programme next year.

The hunting operation has been the only real business activity of the Trust for many years. This has been treated more as a pest management programme rather than a profitable business activity. Over the past year, we have decided to totally review this operation with the intention of improving its value to the Trust and providing an opportunity for development where possible.

Our business advisors, Polson and Higgs, have undertaken an independent review of the hunting operation and identified opportunities for development along with the risks associated with our current and future options. We would also like to thank Te Puni Kokiri, who assisted us with this project. The report from this project has only just been received and the Trustees are now in the process of reviewing and assessing the findings and opportunities that have been identified.

In conjunction with the hunting review, the Trust is also undertaking a full review of the charter boat arrangements that are in place to support the hunting operation. We would like to develop our relationship with charter boat operators so that we can develop a better product. We have greater opportunities working together rather than as separate operators. These relationships are important when combined with the findings of the Polson and Higgs review.

### **Future Opportunities**

Last year the Trust unveiled its strategic plan that had been developed as part of taking the trust forward. This year we have started to look at some of the new business opportunities that the Trust should consider as part of our development. To this end we have started working closely with advisors from the tourism industry to take a serious look at what is realistically available to us. This has focused on looking at:

- · What it would take to progress it from a vision to reality?
- What are the risks associated with doing it?





### **Chairman's Report** (continued)

- What resources would be required from a financial and personnel perspective?
- · What is the market looking for?
- What partners maybe available or have an interest in our potential opportunities?

This is in its very early stages but we are now starting to look for more opportunities to provide a real benefit to our many stakeholders.

Much of the future opportunity is directly associated to the real beauty of Rakiura, its history, the land in its natural state, and its unique inhabitants. Last year we showed you a sample of the history project that had been undertaken by the trust through the Mahara Project. This year at our AGM Hui we released the Mahara Project Video, which will be made available to everyone in the near future. While the video provides a commercial opportunity to share our history with Rakiura to the wider community, the information collected with this project provides a wealth of history that has now been recorded and retained for our future. Much of this information will form an important part of our future opportunities.

### **Land Management**

While much has been made of the development and opportunities for the future, the Trust also has a responsibility to manage and protect the land under its guardianship. Work continues on many aspects of our land management and Roger Lough continues to manage this process on behalf of the Trust. Our land management is a big job that will continue past us all and is the primary reason for the existence of our Trust.

In addition to general matters associated with land management, we have this year spent a lot of time developing a relationship with one of our larger neighbours, the Dancing Star Foundation. The Dancing Star Foundation has 167 hectares of land, which surrounds Trust land at Lee Bay. The Dancing Star Foundation wishes to turn its land into a preserve and during the year worked with the Trust to find an acceptable means of pest eradication of its land. By virtue of the fact its land surrounds our land it meant the eradication would have to include our land as well. We are working with Dancing Star and are very happy with the progress that has been made to use a ground based eradication programme in place of the original aerial drop programme.

We are looking forward to the continued development of this relationship as we share many common interests in the management of land on Rakiura.

During the year we have had to pay for a number of sewage connections to land blocks that fall into



### **Chairman's Report** (continued)

the new sewage scheme being undertaken on the island. While these blocks are not developed, and at this stage no development is intended, we had to meet the requirements of the Southland District Council.

### **Communications**

The trust has made a further step in the development of our communication options. We have had our printed newsletter up and running for some time and this has proved very popular. Now we have begun our move into the electronic arena with the development of the Trust's website www.visitrakiura.co.nz. While the website is in its infancy, it is already attracting a lot of visitors and has been used to provide and supply information associated with this year's Annual General Meeting and the Rakiura Experience 2006 trip back to Rakiura.

In addition to the website, we are now also collecting many email addresses and will start using this as yet another means of distributing information and keeping stakeholders informed of the trust's activities. This is an exciting new area and provides a number of new opportunities for everyone to participate in the trust and the many activities that are happening.

The next big step that we have made in communication this year is the production of a formal annual report that is designed to provide you with a quality overview of the Trust and its activities over the previous 12 months. We hope that you will find this document useful in following the activities we are undertaking.

### **Participation**

An extremely important part of the Trust and its responsibilities is to maintain and improve the links back to our land on Rakiura. While the Trust manages this land, it does so on behalf of the many stakeholders who have interests in these lands. We continue to look for opportunities to bring you back to the land to experience first-hand the real beauty of our taonga.

This year we have put together the Rakiura Experience 2006 and have brought nearly 140 people back to Rakiura to experience and celebrate the long connection with this land. We are sure all who took the time to renew their link with this very unique part of Aotearoa enjoyed this experience.

### **Future Directions**

In the coming year the Rakiura Maori Land Trust will continue to build on these achievements along with improving the performance of the Trustees through on-going training and development.

We will continue to develop partnerships to enhance our existing operations and to build on our hunting operations to include new ventures that will broaden the use of our huts in our building programme.

Work will also continue on the development of new ventures through development of new partnerships in the tourism area. This will be achieved by continuing to work with those involved in the tourism industry so that we can make a safe and productive move into appropriate tourism-based ventures.

Finally we will need to look at the resources that the Trust uses to ensure our future objectives can be achieved in a timely and professional manner. To ensure a real benefit can be achieved for all stakeholders, our work must be achieved in a timely and cost effective manner. Professional staff for the Trust will need to be considered at some stage in our future.

A special thanks to Liz Cave for the images in this report.

We look forward to working with you all to reach our goals in the coming year.

Stephen Harteveld Chairperson



### **Accountant's Report**

Welcome to the 2006 financial section of the Annual Report. As you can see from the new format, we have tried to make things easier to read and improve how we profile the Trust. This means much of the detail has been removed from the final presentation, however, rest assured we have details close at hand if you require further information.

### Overview

The Trust had a busy 12 months from a financial perspective and the next year looks likely to follow suit. Our result for the year was particularly satisfying, albeit that the Investment Gains recorded in the Net Profit were unrealised at balance date. The Trust remains in a strong position, being debt free, and having sound financial governance in place. Highlights of the year are as follows.

### **Hunting Activities**

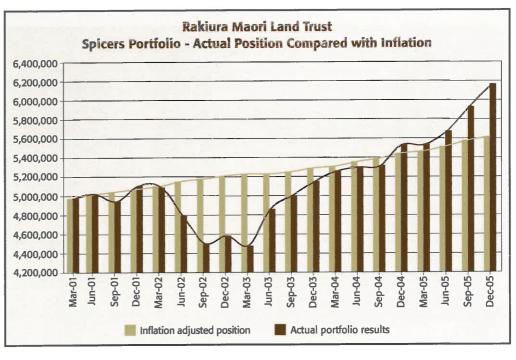
It may appear that income from hunting declined, but this is not the case. Acting on a recommendation from our auditors we have carried \$19,000 worth of income received up to balance date into the next financial period. In previous years, hunting receipts were accounted for on a cash basis. This, therefore, is a one off decline and we are particularly excited about the future income generation possible from hunting.

Initiatives undertaken by the Trust saw new huts built at Little Kuri and Big Kuri. Further huts are planned in 2007 and 2008.

The Trustees have also undertaken a comprehensive review of the hunting activity office procedures in the Bluff office. This has resulted in review of charter operators and the way in which bookings are taken by the office. A new cancellation policy has also been set to prevent losses arising from late cancellations of hunting.

### **Investment Returns**

The world markets performed well in the 2006 year and, combined with the strength of the NZ dollar, meant the Trust benefited from its externally managed investment funds. The funds generate a small amount of annual income in the form of Interest or Dividend Income which is principally reinvested. While the six months post balance date has seen little activity in investment funds, the Trustees and owners are reminded of the benefit of long term investments, particularly for international funds. When the funds started, they had approximately \$4.95 million invested. This now stands at \$6.58 million, which equates to a 33% increase over the period. The fund performance is best shown by the following graph.



## **Accountant's Report (continued)**

For those funds invested locally in fixed interest investments, the returns have been moderate but reflect a low risk strategy to investing domestically.

### **Special Projects**

The Trust has invested on a number of fronts. Special projects include:

- The Mahara project capturing the historical significance of the Trust lands and the people.
- Land Management. The implementation stage of the plan is well under way and field work to collect data on the health of the forest is ongoing.
- Funds were committed to Trust sections in Halfmoon Bay and Horseshoe Bay, installing sewage connections as part of a wider upgrade scheme.

### **Financial Governance**

We feel it appropriate to outline to owners the financial governance in place within the Trust and how this will hold it in good stead for the year ahead:

- A budget was completed for the current year, after identification of the variables affecting the Trust were considered.
- Quarterly reporting against the budgets is in place and Trustees are provided with this for their meetings, immediately following the end of the quarter.
- External reports are provided quarterly on the investment results, and meetings with the investment managers occur throughout the year.
- The Trustees have completed an external investment policy identifying the type of acceptable investment they are prepared to consider outside the main externally managed funds.
- The accounts are audited annually. We are pleased to report that another unqualified audit opinion has been issued.

### **Owners Administration**

A considerable amount of time is spent each year reconciling the Trust's owner's database with the records held by the Maori Land Court. Regretfully, we frequently find that not all succession orders are sent to us, particularly from outside the South Island.

A recent analysis of the database has shown that there were approximately 5483 Lords River owners recorded and 81.4% of them own less than one share. In the non Lords River sections, there were 2886 owners recorded with 90% owning less than one share. We strongly encourage you to consider a Whanua Trust to hold your shares from being further diluted.

Kia Ora

### Mark Tynan

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Trust Administrators and Accountants







### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

For the year ended 31 March 2006

		2006 \$	2005 \$
INCOME			
Gross Revenue	(Note 4)	345,124	568,942
(Less) Operational Costs	(Note 3)	(297,213)	(339,900)
OPERATING SURPLUS BEFORE TAXATION		47,911	229,042
Less Provision for Taxation	(Note 7)		
OPERATING SURPLUS AFTER TAXATION			
Plus (less) Unrealised Gains (losses) on Inve	stments	928,737	(17,378)
TOTAL RETAINED EARNINGS FOR YEAR		976,648	211,664
TOTAL TO RETAINED EARNINGS		976,648	211,664

### **STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT IN EQUITY**

For the year ended 31 March 2006

		2006	2005 \$
EQUITY AT BEGIN	INING OF THE YEAR	5,283,776	6,113,100
Plus: Retained Ea	irnings achieved for the year	976,648	211,664
TOTAL RECOGNIS	ED REVENUE & EXPENSES	6,260,424	6,324,764
Distribution for th	e year		(1,040,988)
EQUITY AT THE E	ND OF THE YEAR	6,260,424	5,283,776
Represented By:	Special Funds Trust Funds	3,592,442 2,667,982	2,920,989 2,362,786
		6,260,424	5,283,775

The Trust's Financial Statements must be read in conjunction with the Notes and Auditors Report.

### **STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

As at 31 March 2006

		2006	2005 \$
EQUITY		\$	Ф
TRUST FUNDS		6,260,424	5,283,775
TOTAL EQUITY		6,260,424	5,283,775
Represented by:			
CURRENT ASSETS	(Note 5)	1,953,051	2,166,890
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES	(Note 5)	(58,699)	(61,138)
WORKING CAPITAL SURPLUS (DEFICIT)		1,894,352	2,105,752
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Fixed Assets	(Note 6)	121,185	53,915
Investments	(Note 8)	7,001,286	5,932,490
TOTAL NON CURRENT ASSETS		7,122,471	5,986,405
LESS TERM LIABILITIES			
Unclaimed Distributions	(Note 9)	2,756,399	2,808,381
		2,756,399	2,808,381
NET ASSETS		6,260,424	5,283,775

For and on behalf of the Trust

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Stephen Harteveld, Chairperson

Richard Manning, Secretary

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### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS**

For the year ended 31 March 2006

### 1 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Rakiura Maori Land Trust is a Trust formed under the Te Ture Whenua Maori Land Act 1993.

Rakiura Maori Land Trust is a reporting entity for the purposes of the Financial Reporting Act 1993.

The financial statements of Rakiura Maori Land Trust have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice.

The accounting principles recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of earnings and financial position on a historical cost basis are followed by Rakiura Maori Land Trust.

### 2 SPECIFIC ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### (a) FIXED ASSETS & DEPRECIATION

Fixed assets, are stated at cost less aggregate depreciation. Fixed assets are set out in the Schedule of Assets and Depreciation. Depreciation has been calculated using the maximum rates permitted by the Inland Revenue Department, as it is considered that the difference between this depreciation and the straight-line method to not be material.

### (b) GOODS & SERVICES TAX

The financial statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis.

### (c) TAXATION

Taxation is calculated as per SSAP 12 using the liability method and calculated on the partial basis.

No provision has been made to the deferred taxation due to there being no material timing differences.

### (d) UNSPENT GRANTS

Grants applied for but not fully expended are shown as liabilities.

### (e) ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable are stated at their estimated net realisable value.

### (f) INVESTMENTS

Investments are stated at market value. Changes in the unrealised value of investments are recognised in the statement of financial position.

### (g) DIFFERENTIAL REPORTING

Rakiura Maori Land Trust is a qualifying entity as defined by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of New Zealand Differential Reporting Framework.

The criteria establishing the entity as qualifying for differential reporting exemptions are;

- The entity does not have public accountability; (as defined by the ability to rate or levy) and
- The entity is not large as defined by the Differential Reporting Framework.

The entity has elected to take full advantage of all differential reporting exemptions.

### **CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Hunting receipts in prior years were recorded on a cash basis. From 1 April 2005 the accrual basis has been applied. The effect of which has defferred \$19,458 of income to the 2007 Year. Other than this there have been no changes in accounting policies since the date of the last financial statements. All other policies have been applied on basis consistent with those used in previous years.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

For the year ended 31 March 2006

# 3 DETAILS OF EXPENSES

		2006 \$	2005 \$
ADMINISTRATION	EXPENSES		
(a) Trust Admin	Accounting & Administration of Finances Audit — External Costs Bank Fees General Koha Paid Legal Costs Printing Postage & Stationery - General Sponsorship Telecommunications - General	30,221 10,969 377 1,862 550 397 563 500 1,346	35,858 4,415 518 1,563 - 14,493 1,027 - 1,038
		46,785	58,912
(b) Owners Admin	Administration of Owners Database Newsletters Printing Postage & Stationery	18,962 4,358 1,688 25,008	22,499 5,827 3,081 31,407
		23,000	01,107
INVESTING ACTIVIT	ries		
	Fund Manager Monitoring Fee Investment Consultancy	11,151 10,962	10,616 16,378
		22,113	26,994
HUNTING ACTIVITI	ES		
	Depreciation of Huts Office Costs – Share related to Hunting	2,087 26,378	111 16433
		28,465	16,544
PROPERTY – OFFIC	CE ADMINISTRATION		
	Insurance of Office Power Rates Repairs Security Costs Telecommunications Depreciation – Equipment & Office	3109 1,019 5,180 38 628 5,385 8,084	422 1,022 1,016 3,150 605 4,152 5,745
		23,443	16,112
GOVERNANCE (a) AGM	Advertising AGM Expenses	3,422 9,426-	3,569
	Accomodation & Travel	8,509	7,858
	Marae Hire & Kai Costs Printing Postage & Stationery	3,422 563	2,650 1,027
	•	25,342	15,104





### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS**

For the year ended 31 March 2006

		2006	2005 \$
(b) Trustee Governance	Allowances & Honoraria Trustee Training & Education Travel & Meeting costs	33,900 2,756 29,839	10,400 2,756 43,782
		66,495	56,938
PROJECTS			
	Dancing Star Land Management Planning Mahara Project TPK Expenditure	698 29,628 7,434 21,800	58,493 49,396 10,000
		59,561	117,890
	TOTAL EXPENSES	297,212	339,901

### 3 (a) AUDIT

The financial statements of Rakiura Maori Land Trust have been audited.

The Audit cost for 2005 includes the auditors attendance at the 2005 AGM - \$594.75 excluding GST.

Audit Fees	2006 \$	2005 \$
2005 fees	7,500	7,884
Plus/(Less) Underaccrued 2005	3,469	(3,469)
Per Financial Statements	10,969	4,415



### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS**

For the year ended 31 March 2006

### 4 DETAILS OF REVENUE

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Interest Received Investment Income Rebate - Fund Manager Fees	163,751 118,148 	184,785 290,462 9,737
	281,899	484,984
Hunting & Charter Receipts	39,977	45,244
DOC Rent - Non Lords Sections	5,470	2,500
	45,447	47,744
Grants	17,778	51,213
Unspent Grants	-	(15,000)
	17,778	36,213
TOTAL REVENUE	345,124	568,942

### 5 DETAIL OF CURRENT ASSETS AND CURRENT LIABILITIES

	<b>2006</b>	2005 \$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Westpac Bank Accounts	1,838,028	2,020,447
AWH Electronic Dividend Account	25,001	23,572
Sundry Debtors	12,840	14,423
Kiwi Bank Account	9,323	-
GST Receivable	9,468	26,859
Provision for Income Tax	50,738	58,728
WIP/Prepaid Hut Expenditure	7,653	22,860
TOTAL	1,953,051	2,166,890
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Sundry Creditors	36,256	46,138
Unspent Grants	_	15,000
Hut Levies held	2,985	_
Income in Advance	19,458	~
TOTAL	58,699	61,138







### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS**

For the year ended 31 March 2006

### **6 LAND AND BUILDINGS**

Rakiura Maori Land Trust has the following classes of Fixed Asse	ets:
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6 LAND AND	BUILDINGS		
Rakiura Maori Lar	nd Trust has the following classes of Fixed Asset	ts:	
		2006	2005
		\$	\$
FIXED ASSETS	Property – Bluff Office	5,426	5,426
	Buildings & Improvements	13,416	13,416
	Less Accumulated Depreciation	(2,526)	(2,258)
	CARRYING AMOUNT	10,890	11,158
	Property – Hunting Huts	61,942	17,177
	Less Accumulated Depreciation	(2,198)	(111)
	CARRYING AMOUNT	59,744	17,066
	Office Plant & Equipment	37,124	40,931
	Less Accumulated Deprecation	(24,355)	(20,265)
	CARRYING AMOUNT	12,769	20,666
PROPERTY IMPR	OVEMENTS AT COST		
	Sewerage Extension Scheme	32,356	_
	Less Accumulated Depreciation	_	-
	CARRYING AMOUNT	32,356	-
	TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	121,185	53,915
TAVATION			
7 TAXATION			
Taxation is calcula	ated as follows:	2006	2005
		\$	\$
Operating Surplu	s Before Taxation	47,911	229,042
	Add/(Less) Imputation Credits	58,192	143,063
	Add/(Less) Non Deductible Items	32,683	107,889
	Add/(Less) Non Assessable Items	6,835	757
		145,621	480,751
	Less: Loss Carried Forward	(252,906)	-

Loss from 2005 of \$252,906 offsets all income for the current year (2006). An additional \$107,285 will be carried over to the 2007 year. Imputation credits from the 2006 year of \$58,192 will be converted to a loss to carry forward of \$298,420. The trust will carry forward \$405,705.51 of losses into 2007 financial year.

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480,751

93,746

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Excess Loss to be Carried forward to 2007

ASSESSABLE INCOME FOR TAXATION

Resident Withholding Tax Credits

Tax @ 19.5%

**INCOME TAX PAYABLE (REFUND DUE) FOR YEAR** 

Less Imputation Credits

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS**

For the year ended 31 March 2006

### 8 INVESTMENTS

Investments are stated at market value. Changes in the unrealised value of investments **a**re recognised in the statement of financial position.

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	2006	2005
	\$	\$
Spicers Portfolio Management - Conservative		
Opening Balance	3,379,615	<b>3,2</b> 17,208
Unrealised Movements in Fund	413,639	( <del>-</del>
Realised Income	82,739	162,407
Closing Balance	3,875,993	3,379,615
Spicers Portfolio Management - Aggressive		
Opening Balance	2,162,636	2,047,655
Unrealised Movements in Fund	513,098	-
Realised Income	33,022	114,981
Closing Balance	2,708,756	2,162,636
Canterbury Mortgage Trust (Putea)	416,537	390,240
	7,001,286	5,932,490

### 9 UNCLAIMED DISTRIBUTION LIABILITIES

	2006	2005 \$
Opening Balance Plus: Distribution to Owners Less: Payments Made in Year	2,808,381 - (51,982)	2,399,437 1,040,988 (632,044)
Closing Balance	2,756,399	2,808,381

### 10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Phillip Smith (Trustee) provides use of his vessel to transport Builders and Materials for the construction of the Huts on Rakiura. These services are provided under the normal terms of trade.

### 11 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There are no Contingent Liablilities outstanding at Balance date. (2005 nil)







# **Audit Report**

### TO THE OWNERS OF RAKIURA MAORI LAND TRUST

We have audited the financial statements on pages 1 to 8. The financial statements provide information about the past financial performance of the Trust and its financial position as at 31 March 2006. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 3 to 4.

### TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees' are responsible for the preparation of financial statements which fairly reflects the financial position of the Trust as at 31 March 2006 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

### **AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITIES**

It is our responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial statements presented by the trustees' and report our opinion to you.

### **BASIS OF OPINION**

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the trustees' in the preparation of the financial statements:
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Trust's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to obtain reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Other than in our capacity as auditors we have no relationship with or interests in the Trust.

### **UNQUALIFIED OPINION**

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

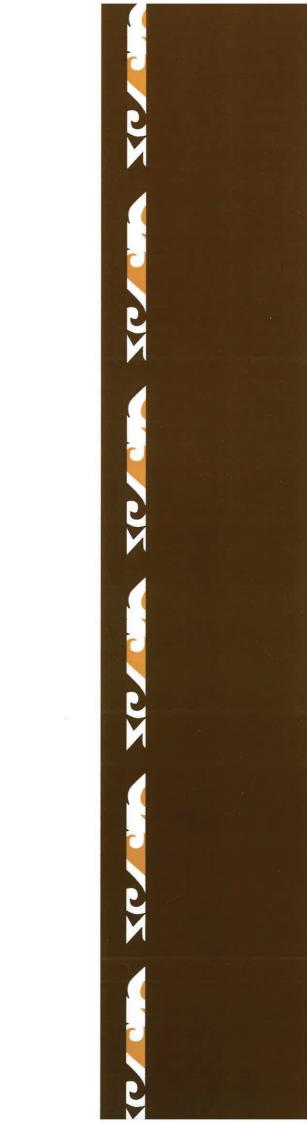
In our opinion the financial statements on pages 1 to 8 fairly reflect the financial position of the Trust as at 31 March 2006 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 13 September 2006 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

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**Ward Wilson** 

Chartered Accountants & Business Advisers Invercargill





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