

To: Paul Edwards
Senior Adviser, Kaipatiki Local Board

Dear Paul

As discussed, we wish to apply for approval to repurpose the 2016 grant of \$10,000 by the Kaipatiki Local Board (resolution KT/2016/121) to the Le Roys Bush & Little Shoal Bay Reserves Charitable Trust to manage on behalf of Pest Free Kaipatiki to support the Pest Free Kaipatiki Site Restoration Role as endorsed by the KLB on 10 August (Resolution KT/2016/94).

Due to a series of circumstances, the application of this funding has been delayed:

- the funds were not transferred until May 2017
- the funding for the Restoration Role from the Birkenhead Licensing Trust had to be cancelled and reapplied for
- the material required for the 2017 Predator Campaign were for a total greater than \$10k so were funded from the restoration funding held by the Biosecurity Department

As the project has evolved, a number of issues have arisen for which we don't have funding:

- In order to draw down the DoC funding of \$75,000 for the Dirty Dozen Campaign, we were unexpectedly required to take out Public Liability insurance for \$5m and Professional Indemnity Insurance for \$2m. We have taken up a Certificate of Cover last week - the premium is \$2,020.00 excl GST.
- We have benefited from free storage for our pest control materials and equipment now for about 4 months in the basement of the Birkenhead Senior Citizens. We are also trying to find a more public space to better build up a presence with the public. We would like to earmark a sum to cover the initial rental.
- With the evidence of kauri dieback in the Waitakere ranges, the closure of tracks and the appearance of bus loads of visitors to Kaipatiki reserves, bush groups are increasingly concerned about the risks of Dieback in our kauri reserves. PFK members met with Brett Butland on 26 February and while there is some assistance available for Kauri Dieback signage and facilities and there is a recognized need to find additional funding to protect the most vulnerable areas, it would be valuable to provide urgent assistance for bush group projects in reserves with significant kauri at risk.
- In some cases, reserve groups wish to install signage relating to kauri dieback, dog control, interpretation or other restoration related matters

We would therefore like to apply for approval for the \$10k grant to be repurposed to cover:

- Public Liability insurance for \$5m and Professional Indemnity Insurance for \$2m- cost \$2,020.00 excl GST
- Rental costs for space for the PFK Restoration Advisers to store pest control materials and equipment and to make better contact with the public to promote the pest control message more widely.

- We would like to be able to allocate the balance of the grant to allow bush groups to apply for funding via the VIP process for:
 - Assistance with kauri dieback protection projects
 - Assistance with installing signage in reserves for purposes related to bush restoration

If you require further information, please let me know.

Many thanks,
Keith Salmon
Secretary, Pest Free Kaipatiki Restoration Society
Secretary, Le Roys Bush & Little Shoal Bay Reserves Charitable Trust