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Report to Environment Committee from Maree Sanders, Policy Advisor (Statutory)

## **Regional Council Input to District Planning**

# 1. **Purpose**

To inform the Committee of Regional Council input to the statutory resource management processes of territorial authorities in the western part of the Region.

#### 2. **Overview**

#### 2.1 **Resource Consents**

Seven notified resource consent applications have been received since the last report to the Committee. One application is still pending assessment of the need to make a submission.

Since the last Committee report one submission has been made opposing an application for subdivision in Raumati by Landsdale Developments Ltd. The road network of the proposed subdivision did not provide for the accessibility of all transport modes. An alternative road network was sought that better provided for public transport, pedestrians and private vehicles.

The following is an update of progress with submissions made on earlier consent applications.

#### 2.1.1 CJ Holdings Ltd, Kapiti Coast District Council

The Regional Council had made a submission on this application to build a one storey dwelling north of the Ariki Villas near the Fisherman's Table Restaurant, Paekakariki. Issues covered in the submission related to the position and design of the wastewater disposal system and minimising the visual impact of the dwelling in the coastal environment. The hearing was held 13 May and evidence was given on behalf of the

Regional Council. The Hearing Committee has released its decision, approving the dwelling with conditions that address the concerns raised by the Regional Council.

#### 2.1.2 Kotuku Parks Ltd , Kapiti Coast District Council

The Regional Council had made a submission on this subdivision and earthworks consent application about the need for sediment and erosion control measures and the protection of water quality in the Waikanae River and estuary. The Hearing Committee has released its decision, approving the subdivision and earthworks with appropriate conditions.

#### 2.2 **District Plans**

Wellington City Council notified proposed Plan Change 6 on 27 April. It concerned proposed changes to the residential rules and associated definitions in the Wellington District Plan. No submission was made on this proposed plan change.

Proposed Plan Changes 7, 9 and 10 were notified on 29 May. Plan Change 7 relates to Aro Valley Character and Design Controls, Plan Change 9 is for the rezoning of land at Rhine Street, Island Bay to residential (Tapu Te Ranga Marae), and Plan Change 10 is for the rezoning of land at David Crescent, Karori from Rural to Residential. There are no regional issues associated with these Plan Changes therefore no submissions are required.

Wellington City Council released its decisions on Variation 22 relating to the Lambton Harbour Area. A submission had been made on the Variation concerning cross boundary issues and transport issues. Most of the Regional Council's submissions were accepted.

**Hutt City Council** released their decision on Variation 6: Bell Road. This involved rezoning land zoned General Business Activity to General Residential Activity Area. Appropriate changes were made to the Proposed District Plan to ensure the issue of contaminated land will be dealt with prior to subdivision and development of the property.

**Kapiti Coast District Council** held a hearing for Proposed Plan Change 53, a private plan change to rezone rural land at the north end of Waikanae Beach to residential. The submission made on behalf of the Regional Council related to the protection of remnant sand dunes on the property and water supply.

After submitters gave evidence, the hearing was adjourned for at least 4 weeks to allow one neighbour of the land who was not notified of the Plan Change the chance to make a submission.

### 2.3 **Designations**

A Notice of Requirement has been lodged by Transit New Zealand to alter the designation of land in the vicinity of Ventnor Drive, Nikau Palm Road, Lindale International Tourist Resort and State Highway 1. The proposed improvements involve the forming of a new grade separated junction and closing and altering existing access ways, junctions and the local roading network. No submission is considered necessary for this Notice of Requirement.

### 3. Communication

The matters referred to in this report are part of an on-going statutory process, and these processes are the appropriate way of communicating the relevant information.

# 4. **Recommendations**

That the Environment Committee:

- 1) receives the report.
- 2) **notes** the contents of the report.

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