

Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency Reference: 2020-1590

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Whakatāne District Council

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Dear Stephen,

Whakatāne District Plan 2017 - Proposed Plan Change 3: Matters of Control: Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency Submission

Attached is Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency submission on the Publicly Notified Proposed Plan Change 3 - Matters of Control.

We welcome the opportunity to discuss the contents of our submission with Council Officers as required.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Luke Braithwaite on (04) 978 2643, luke.braithwaite@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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FORM 5, CLAUSE 6 OF FIRST SCHEDULE & PURSUANT TO SECTION 96, RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

Submission on Whakatāne District Plan 2017 - Proposed Plan Change 3: Matters of Control – Whakatāne District Council

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1. This is a submission on the following:

Proposed Plan Change to the operative Whakatāne District Plan 2017 by the Whakatāne District Council seeks to make a number of additions and alterations to the provisions of the Whakatāne District Plan. The Plan Change will modify the status of 17 Restricted Discretionary or Controlled Activities in the District Plan currently lacking the appropriate assessment criteria or matters of control in some zones.

2. The New Zealand Transport Agency could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

3. Role of the New Zealand Transport Agency

The NZ Transport Agency (the Transport Agency) is a Crown Entity which provides an integrated approach to transport planning, investment and delivery. Among other duties, the Transport Agency is required to construct, operate and maintain a safe and efficient state highway network. It is also a co-investor in the local transport network.

4. State Highway Environment and Context:

Within the Whakatāne District there are three state highways; State Highway 2 is identified as an arterial road, whilst State Highway 30 and 34 are primary collector roads per the one network road classification (ONRC). State highways are physical resources of local importance where compromising the safe, effective and efficient operation would be contrary to several District Plan Objectives and Policies.

5. The Transport Agency's submission is:

- (i) The Transport Agency supports the proposed plan change to the extent outlined in this submission;
- (ii) The specific provisions of the proposal that the Transport Agency's submission relates to are:

Change No.	Chapter	Plan Provision	Support / Oppose	Reasons	Relief Sought
4	Chapter 5 - Business	5.4.9	Support	The Transport Agency supports the addition as worded as the matters of discretion are considered able to assess any traffic, safety and efficiency concerns that may arise.	Retain as notified
5	Chapter 5 - Business	5.4.10	Support in part	The Transport Agency supports the intention of the matters of discretion. However, in regard to the traffic movements effects, the Transport Agency seeks for this section to be broadened to incorporate consideration of all traffic effects. The terminology provided does not adequately allow for consideration of all traffic effects on state highways.	Adopt amended provision: <i>g. the management of traffic movements and the effect traffic movements will have on the area, including access to and egress from the site traffic effects as outlined in Rule 3.7.17; and</i>
6	Chapter 6 - Industrial	6.4.5	Support in part	The Transport Agency supports the intention of the matters of discretion. However, in regard to the traffic movements effects, the Transport Agency seeks for this section to be broadened to incorporate consideration of all traffic effects. The terminology provided does not adequately allow for consideration of all traffic effects on state highways.	Adopt amended provision: <i>f. the management of traffic movements and the effect traffic movements will have on the area, including access to and egress from the site traffic effects as outlined in Rule 3.7.17; and</i>
7	Chapter 5 - Business	7.4.7	Support in part	The Transport Agency supports the intention of the matters of discretion. However, in regard to the traffic movements effects, the Transport Agency seeks for this section to be broadened to incorporate consideration of all traffic effects. The terminology provided does not adequately allow for consideration of all traffic effects on state highways.	Adopt amended provision: <i>c. the management of traffic movements and the effect traffic movements will have on the area, including access to and egress from the site traffic effects as outlined in Rule 3.7.17; and</i>
9	Chapter 7 - Rural	7.4.9	Support	The Transport Agency supports the matters of discretion as worded as they are considered able to assess any traffic, safety and efficiency concerns that may arise.	Retain as notified
11	Chapter 5 - Business	5.4.12	Support	The Transport Agency supports the addition as worded as the matters of discretion are considered able to assess any traffic, safety and efficiency concerns that may arise.	Retain as notified
12	Chapter 7 - Rural	7.4.10	Support	The Transport Agency supports the addition as worded as the matters of discretion are considered able to assess any traffic, safety and efficiency concerns that may arise.	Retain as notified
16	Chapter 12 - Subdivision and Esplanade Reserves	12.8.6	Support	The Transport Agency supports the addition as worded as this provides additional matters for consideration including reverse sensitivity and traffic effects, giving specific regard to adverse effects on State Highway.	Retain as notified
17	Chapter 12 - Subdivision and Esplanade Reserves	12.8.7	Support	The Transport Agency supports the addition as worded as this amendment adds the assessment criteria from the subdivision section of this chapter which provides sufficient consideration of traffic effects.	Retain as notified

6. Relief Sought:

- (i) The Transport Agency seeks for the amended provisions in Section 5 above to be adopted as worded.
- (ii) Any other relief that would provide for the adequate consideration of potential effects on the state highway environment, transport network and its users.
- (iii) The Transport Agency does not wish to be heard in support of this submission.
- (iv) The Transport Agency does not wish to present joint evidence.

Dated at Hamilton this **6th day of November 2020**



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Pursuant to an authority delegated by New Zealand Transport Agency

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