

Form 5 Submission on notified proposal for policy statement or plan, change or variation

[Clause 6](#) of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991

To: Whakatāne District Council

Name of submitter: TE ARANI BARRETT

This is a submission on the following change proposed to the plan:

Whakatāne District Plan - Plan Change 2: 23 and 45 Keepa Road

Trade Competition

I could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

The specific provisions of the proposal that my submission relates are to:

- Establish the historical significance of Te Hokowhitu-ā-Tū Marae and the surrounding land.
- Present aspects of cultural principles and practices undertaken at the marae.
- Highlight experience with the bioremediation project.
- Describe the impact on the marae and its contributing community from activities and developments since the 1950s.
- Point out how the developer and local authority were jointly inconsiderate of the health and wellbeing of the marae and its community.
- Highlight reverse sensitivity and the impacts of newer uses on prior activities occurring and further limiting the ability of the established marae and community to continue.
- Articulate how the density of future occupiers is of continuing concern for the integrity of marae sustainability.
- Object to additional use of the marae and Wharewera whānau driveway from off Keepa Road for reasons of incompatibility with future users.
- Express concerns for the increased volume and speed of Keepa Road traffic and the safety of all road users.
- Invite the Hearing Committee to meet with us at the marae to facilitate an authentic appreciation of the underlying community and cultural concerns.
- Enhance opportunities for the marae whānau and iwi input to the RMA plan-making processes.
- Facilitate improved working relationships between iwi and councils and enhance Māori participation in resource management processes (RMA Fact Sheet 3).
- Seek a collaborative planning approach for Keepa Road Lots 23 and 45 consistent with Part 4 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Resource Management Amendment Act 2017, and the Local Government (Community Well-being) Amendment Bill 48-1 (2018), to achieve a design we can live with as harmoniously as possible.
- Seek redress for the instituting of Lot 91 which represents a deliberate act of disconnecting whānau and blocking access to the marae.
- Endeavour to retrieve lack of trust and confidence where developments of the past have failed to recognise the legitimacy of our cultural integrities.

My submission is:

I oppose the application to rezone Lots 23 and 45 Keepa Road from Rural to Light Industrial as presented.

I seek the following decision from the local authority:

- i. Demonstrate transparency in caring for the wellbeing for the Marae community and its allow cultural practices to continue undisturbed.
- ii. Ensure undisturbed road access to the marae from Keepa Road
- iii. Agreement to collaborate in the formulating of a development plan
- iv. Provide for additional marae accessway to minimise congestion
- v. Increase, and add, the buffer zone on the northern and eastern boundaries of the marae.

Hearing submissions

I wish to be heard in support of my submission.

If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing.

Signature of submitter (or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter)

Date: 10 April 2018

(A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means.)

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Note to person making submission

If you are a person who could gain an advantage in trade competition through the submission, your right to make a submission may be limited by [clause 6\(4\)](#) of Part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

Please note that your submission (or part of your submission) may be struck out if the authority is satisfied that at least one of the following applies to the submission (or part of the submission):

- it is frivolous or vexatious:
- it discloses no reasonable or relevant case:
- it would be an abuse of the hearing process to allow the submission (or the part) to be taken further:
- it contains offensive language:
- it is supported only by material that purports to be independent expert evidence, but has been prepared by a person who is not independent or who does not have sufficient specialised knowledge or skill to give expert advice on the matter.