

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT  
AT AUCKLAND**

**I MUA I TE KŌTI TAIAO  
TĀMAKI MAKAURAU ROHE**

<b>IN THE MATTER</b>	of the Resource Management Act 1991
<b>AND</b>	
<b>IN THE MATTER</b>	of an appeal pursuant to Clause 14(1) of the First Schedule of the RMA
<b>BETWEEN</b>	<b>CSL TRUST</b> <b>Appellant</b>
<b>AND</b>	<b>WAIKATO DISTRICT COUNCIL</b> <b>Respondent</b>

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**NOTICE OF NGĀTI TAMAHOHO'S WISH TO BE A PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT  
TO SECTION 274 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991  
DATED: 2022**

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1. Ngāti Tamaoho wishes to be a party to the appeal by CSL Trust (“CSL”) against parts of the decision of the Waikato District Council on the Proposed Waikato District Plan that concerns the zoning of land at 179 Helenslee Road, Pokeno.
2. Ngāti Tamaoho:
  - (a) Has an interest in the proceedings greater than the interest that the general public has, because the Pokeno area is of significant cultural value to Ngāti Tamaoho “This is an area is of immense historical, traditional, and cultural importance to Ngāti Tamaoho. It is part of the wider cultural landscapes of Pōkino, Mangatāwhiri, Te Ia-roa, Tane-te-waiora, Waipapa, Rakauahura, Kaineratou, Waihehe and others. Ngāti Tamaoho have been living here since the time of our earliest ancestors.  
  
The area includes a wide range of wāhi tupuna, including pā and papakāinga, wāhi tapu, tupuna maunga, tupuna awa, urupā, māra-kai, mahinga-kai, tauranga-waka, urupa. Many of these sites are the oldest and most significant of their kind in the region. The pā, papakāinga, wāhi tapu and urupa here are of national historical and cultural significance.
  - (b) Lodged submissions and further submissions on the Proposed Waikato District Plan and participated in the hearing process.
3. Ngāti Tamaoho is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C of the Resource Management Act (“RMA”).
4. Ngāti Tamaoho is interested in part of the proceedings, specifically, CSL’s appeal of the retention of the General Rural zoning on the western side of CSL’s block.
5. Ngāti Tamaoho opposes the relief sought by CSL and seeks that the relief sought is declined for the following reasons:
  - (a) Enabling development on the ridgeline above Pokeno will have an adverse impact upon the cultural integrity, values and Ngāti Tamaoho’s traditional and spiritual relationship with the Pokeno cultural landscape. The major ridgeline (running east-west from above Tane Te Waiora to Waikato) is of particularly importance. The entire ridge is an interconnected cultural landscape with each major promontory occupied by pā connected to each other by ancient ara hīkoi. These ara feature in many pūrakau and kōrero-tuku-iho of the journeys of our tupuna, part of a strategic link between Waikato, Mangatāwhiri and Ararimu.
  - (b)

- (c) In 1861, Governor Grey began plans to invade the Waikato region by building a military supply line from Auckland to the Waikato River. This 'Great South Road' was then fortified with major redoubts along its length and manned with soldiers. The last of these redoubts, Queen's Redoubt, was built here near the Pōkino and Mangatāwhiri papakāinga.

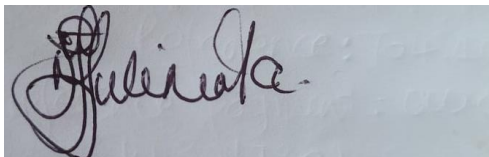
While Ngāti Tamaoho went to great lengths to maintain peace, Governor Grey launched a full-scale invasion of Waikato in July 1863. This involved the burning and looting of the major papakāinga in the area, including Pōkino, from which our people had fled only the night before. Many died during this journey and in the battles that followed, making this area a wāhi tapu of the greatest significance. Shortly after, the land (including all the ancient sites described above), was confiscated as part of the 19,000 acre Pokeno raupatu block."

- (d) Ngāti Tamaoho agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Edith Tuhimata

Ngati Tamaoho

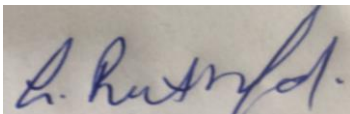
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**Lucie Rutherford**

**Ngāti Tamaoho**

**Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022**

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