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Proposed Waikato District Plan – Independent Hearings Panel

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Attention: Fletcher Bell (Hearing Coordinator/DP Administrator)

## Letter to be tabled at Hearing 24: Reserves

## Dear Fletcher

The purpose of this letter is to table the general support of Annie Chen (89) (submitter) for the recommendations made in the Hearing 24 – Reserves s42A report. It is sought that this letter is tabled for the Hearing Commissioners' consideration.

It is acknowledged that no submission points were made that were specifically coded to the Reserves Zone chapter but notwithstanding this, the submitters have an interest in rezoning a portion of their land to Residential which will be fully addressed at Hearing 25 (Zone Extents). If successful, the future development of the area will contain large portions of open space.

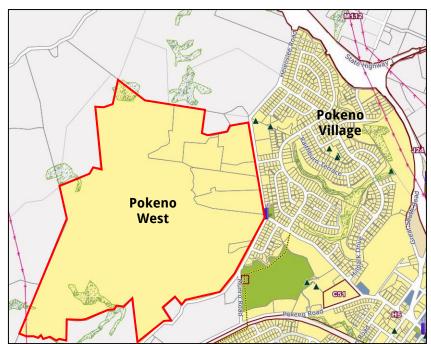


Figure 1: Proposed Waikato District planning maps showing Pokeno West and the existing Pokeno Village.

(Source: Waikato District IntraMaps)

Further to the above, it is noted that the Pokeno West area was identified with Residential zoning (as shown in Figure 1) when the Proposed Waikato District Plan was notified. Pokeno West contains a number of areas with high ecological values (watercourses and Significant Natural Areas).

To manage open space in the future, it is recommended that the same procedures that have been exercised in the Pokeno Village to date be subsequently followed at Pokeno West. In short, the existing Pokeno Village land retains the Residential zoning over its identified open spaces. Areas with high ecological value (watercourses and Significant Natural Areas) have been vested as Local Purpose Reserve and the other areas which contain pedestrian/cycleways etc., have been vested as Local Recreation Reserve.



If you have any questions on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Sir William Birch on (09) 237 0787 or via email <a href="mailto:sirwilliam@bslnz.com">sirwilliam@bslnz.com</a>

Yours faithfully,

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