

To: Waikato District Council
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Re: Proposed Waikato District Plan – Natural Hazards and Climate Change

Dear Council Commissioners,

First of all, I would like to apologise for this late 'further submission' due to not being well aware of the submission process and confused somewhat that a further submission was required. So, I appreciate the acceptance of my further submission concerns set out below.

Submission #2031: 9 Tohora Close, Whale Bay

The following submission raises concerns in the lack of investigation that went into both the **High Risk Coastal Hazard (Erosion) Area** and **Coastal Sensitivity Area (Open Coast)**.

I have lack of confidence in the mapping methodology proposed over 9 Tohora Close Whale Bay (the property), there has been no factual evidence that any such erosion will take place at or near the property nor that 1 meter of sea level rise would affect the foundations of the property settlements let alone even reach the boundary of the property.

The property and the surroundings settle on a solid volcanic rock base that supports a great foundation as to why there is little to no erosion right to the water's edge. It is clear evidence along the point of Whale Bay that grass grows right to the rocks edge, providing further evidence of no erosion occurring. Such evidence may prove more accuracy when evaluating sandy coastal areas, however the subject surrounds are solid rock which poses no risk to storms and movement such as softer sediments do in sandy coastal areas.

I also lack the confidence in the modeling as to the depth of the overlay of 'Coastal Sensitivity Area' on the property, the depth to where the overlay line is drawn in the middle of the property is well above where any sea level rise could have any affect in the next 100+ years. Hence my concern that depth of the overlay on the property is incorrect and no specific evidence has proved the need to cover that amount (over half) of the property. Further concern to the depth of the overlay is the rapid increase to decrease in overlay that is not justified, as to compare with the adjoining properties where the depth is less and then a rapid increase over the property. There is no evidence to prove the extent of overlay depth required.

I appreciated your consideration to my concerns on the Proposed Waikato District Plan. The hazard overlays will pose more affect to property values and greater community development with these hazards implemented, hindering the potential development to such coastal properties.

Yours sincerely



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