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# Proposed Plan Change H(b): Notable Trees Submission Form

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Yes

Could you gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission? \* (required)

I could

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a. Adversely affects the environment; and

b. Does not relate to trade competition or the effect of trade competition?



# Submission details

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

(Please give details)

your Notable tree to which is located on If roadreserve (McLavenstreet). comes down onto my property causing damage who indomnifies this. (who is your insurance Company, as I will hold you accountable for all damages incurred. My submission is that:

(State in summary the nature of your submission. Clearly indicate whether you support or oppose the specific provisions or wish to have amendments made, giving reasons)

The notable tree, you are referring to is on Reserve land (McLaven street). which you have been aware of since 2006. It is Manawatu District Council's responsibility to take Cave of the Magnolics tree and always was. Me Laven street is not looked after by NZ TH As it is Manawath District Councils responsibility and that's how you have tried to hide your I/we seek the following decision from the Manawatu District Council: discrepancies

(Give precise details)

Report date received 4th February 2022. Stating address 1759 Chertenham Hunterville Rd" Former Hall site (discrepancies a lies). I have photo's showing the Hall was never placed (Your notable tree is placed on Road Reserve (Nclaren Street which appavently on correspondence received 6/12/2021 states I have two front boundaries and it is There is noted not placed on my property at all. There is noted threats to tree, slope stability & disease if can't musisan NUISANCE (negative factors. there is signed a negative Please be aware that as required by the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, all submissions will be

made publicly available, including being placed on our website. You may request that your contact details (but not your name) actors such as damage to a structure remain confidential.

If you want us to withhold your contact details, please let us know by ticking this box possibly endangering

The magnolia tree will need annu annual inspections Yes and pruning as needed to onsure the health and Would you like to speak to Council in support of your submission? vitality of the magnolia tree Manawatu District Councils

Just as it is your responsibility to sout out your

responsibility

If you tick this box, we will be in touch with an allocated speaking time



If others make a similar submission would you consider presenting a joint case with them at the nearing?

As you were well aware of the designations effecting certain properties. (my sale and purchase agreement (stated & subject to Council Yes Submit responsible incies and s of the In this section you div olding discrepar was land befor anat P: 06 323 0000 pee f 0 169 **OUR OTHER WEBSITES** al Manawatú District Libraries Accessibility Makino Aquatic Centre · Privacy Statement Terms & Conditions Terms Of Trade

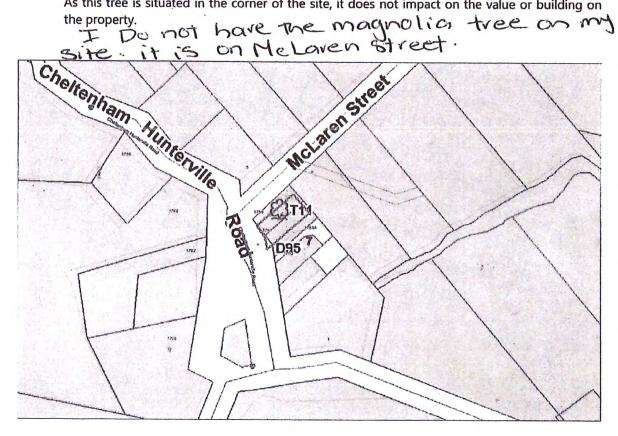
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#### Zoning

6.2 The land is currently zoned Rural 2 under the operative Manawatu District Council District Plan. The current activity of the land is a permitted activity Situated at the rear boundary on McLaren Street is a Heritage Tree, Magnolia Campbellii recorded in the Manawatu District Council Plan. As this tree is situated in the corner of the site, it does not impact on the value or building on the property.



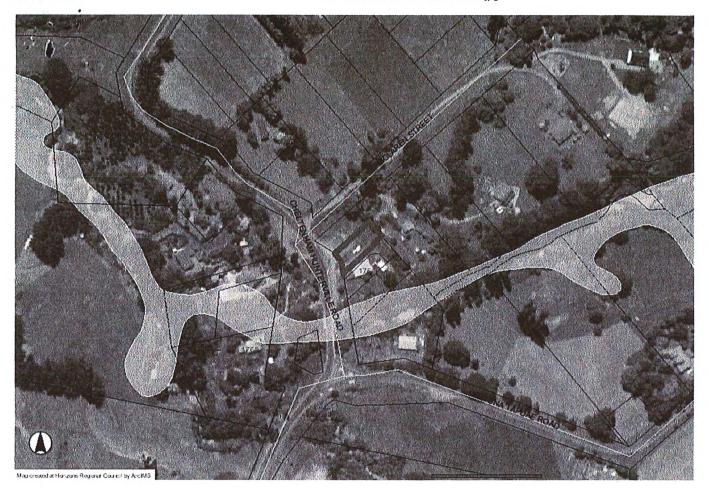
Pic 2 : Zoning planning map Source : MDC

6.3 In my view the parcel has no subdivision potential in a vacant state.

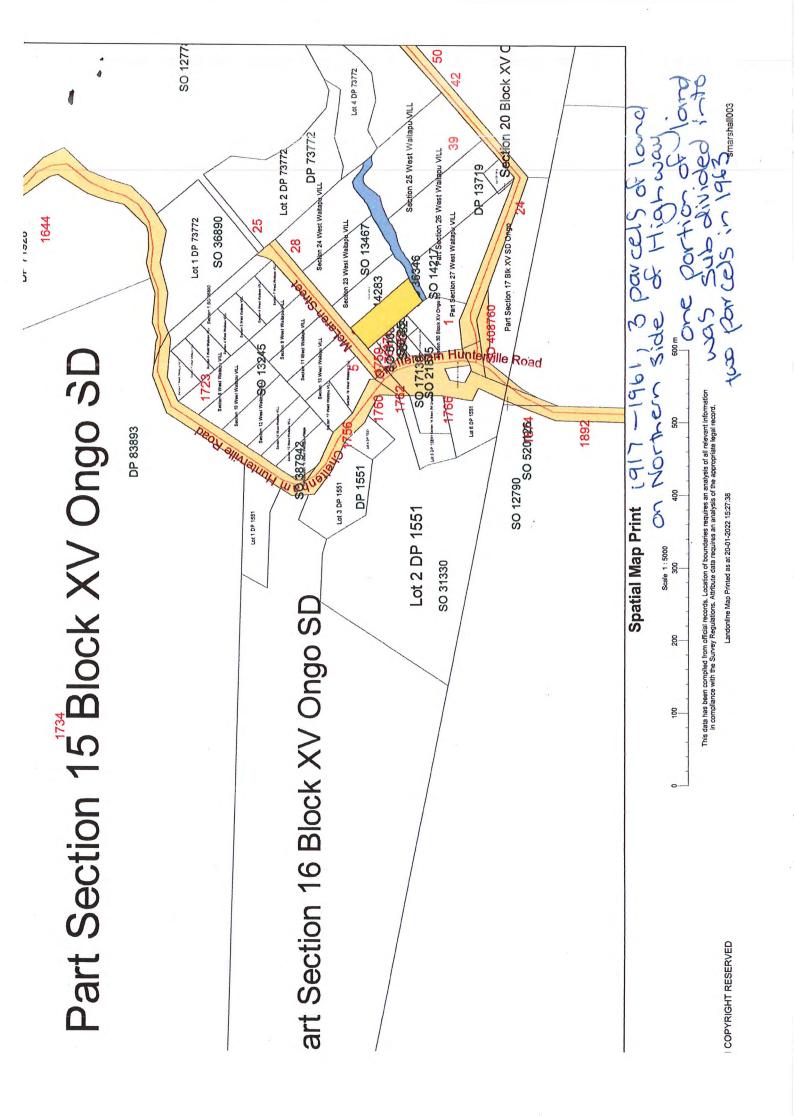
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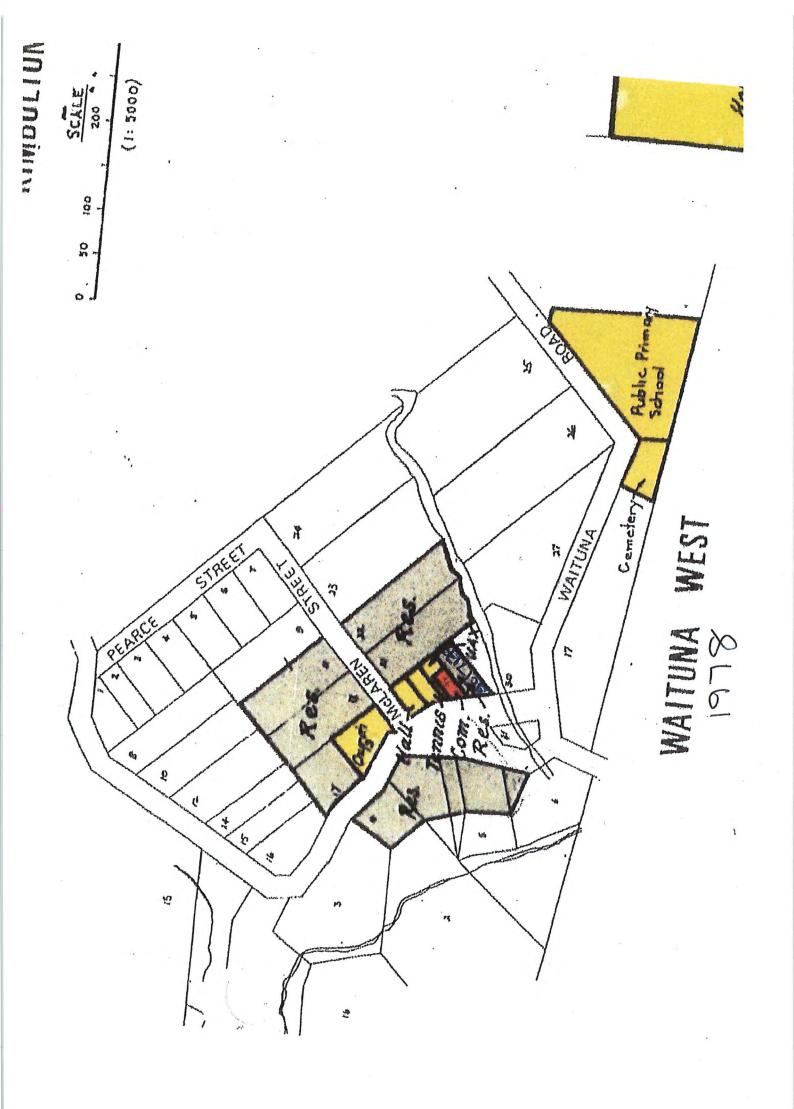
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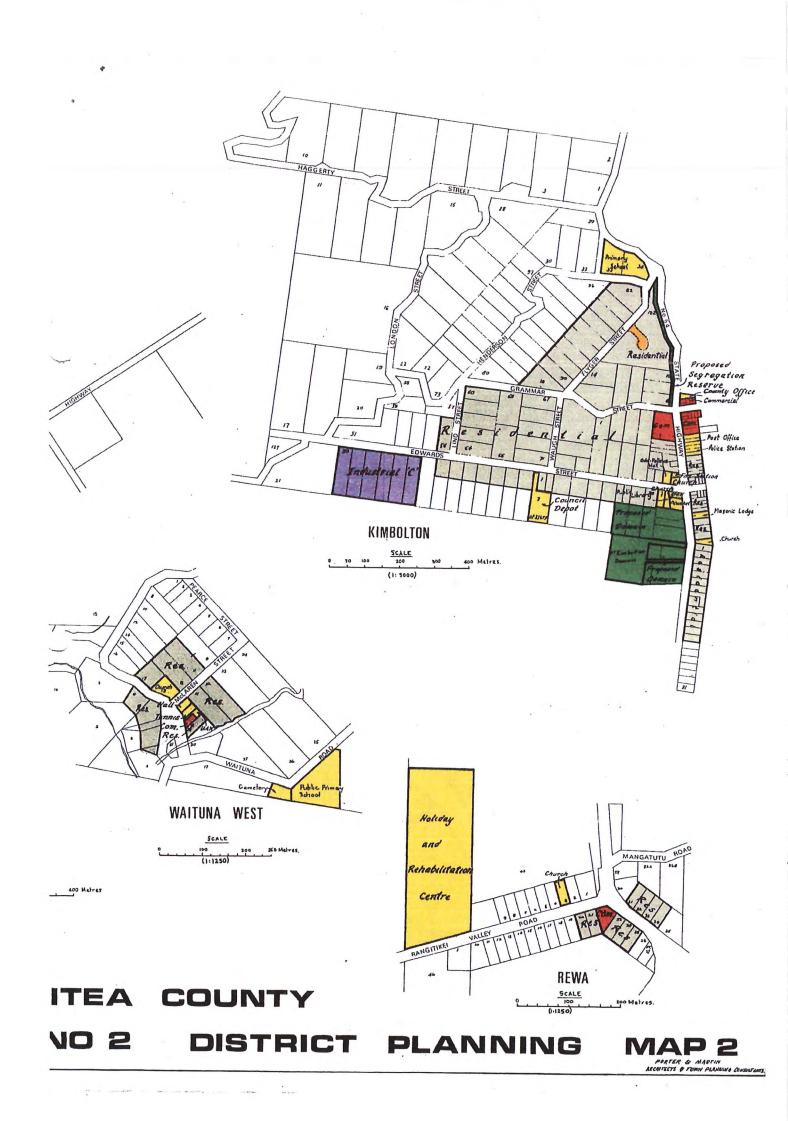
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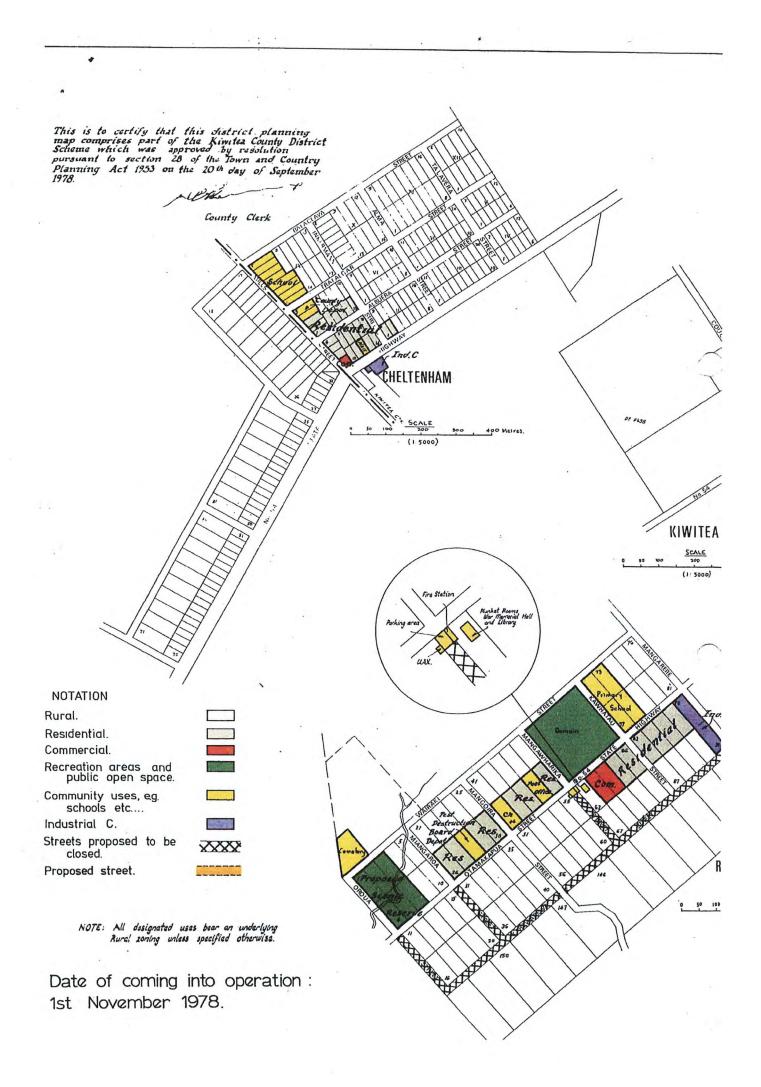


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The specific provisions of the proposal that my submission relates to are as follows::	Emailed direct to Rochelle Waugh
My submission is that::	as above
I/we seek the following decision from the Manawatu District Council::	Remove Tree 6 from the Notable Tree Schedule
Withhold my contact details:	Yes
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If others make a similar submission, would you consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing?:	Yes



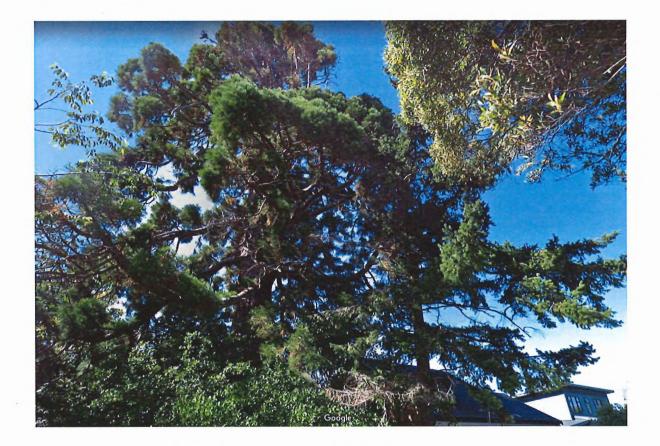
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Submission: 28 Kimbolton Road, Feilding

Tree 6: Sequoiadendron giganteum; Wellingtonia/Giant sequioa

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Submission: 28 Kimbolton Road, Feilding

## Form 5 – Submission to PC H9(h) under Resource Management (Forms, Fees, and Procedure) Regulations 2003

**Prepared by:** 

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Date: Reference: 15/12/2022 Hare *et al* 28 Kimbolton Road

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WN19D/1418

# 1. DETAILS



**Property Owner:** 

Proposed PC H(b): Notable Trees to the MDP

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Proposed PC H(b): Notable Trees to the MDP C/- Geoworks Limited PO Box 490 Feilding 4740

**Queries to:** 

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### Site Details:

Street Address:	Submission: 28 Kimbolton Road, Feilding
Legal Description:	Lot 10 DP 49736
Record of Title:	WN19D/1418
Area:	725m2
Zoning:	Residential



## 2. BACKGROUND & SUBMISSION

This is a submission on behalf of Clare & Adrian Hare *et al* on PC H(b) Notable Trees, following a letter (attached) dated 16 November 2022 received by the Hare's. Additionally, the Hare's neighbours (listed below) are also concerned with PC H(b) in relation to Tree 6 in the draft Plan Change due to health and safety concerns.

Details from Proposed District Plan Change H(b) Notable Trees – November 2022;

"*Tree 6 – Sequoiadendron giganteum; Wellingtonia/Giant sequioa 28 Kimbolton Road, Feilding* 

Lot 10 DP 49736

Located at the rear of 28 Kimbolton Road. This tree is approximately 28 metres in height with a crown spread of 13.8 metres. Planted by Colonel Halcombe or family around 1870'a, who was an early founder of Feilding. A locally prominent feature."

List of nearby concerned neighbours;

Name	Address
Joan & John Key	5 Pines Court
Patricia Ashton	6 Pines Court
Bruce Bruton	Provide a construction of the second s
Sean Molloy	
John Moroney	
Pauling Trustee Company 2016 Ltd	
Marjorie Kline & Karen Matthews	8 Pines Court
Julie & Andrew White	24 Kimbolton Road
Garry Wood & Barbara Wiley	24A Kimbolton Road
Daniel & Maxwell Bryant	26 Kimbolton Road
*Adrian & Clare Hare	28 Kimbolton Road

\*Main submitters

Note: Patricia Ashton is the Grandchild of Colonel Halcombe.

We understand that Council engaged a consultant arborist (Jez Partridge) from Treecology NZ to perform Standard Tree Evaluation Method (STEM) Assessments on the current list of notable tress within the Manawatu District Plan on 27 September 2021.

The Hare's and some of their neighbours were present during Mr Partridge's visit to perform the inspection.

The resultant outcome of the assessment by Mr Partridge is somewhat different from what the Hare's and their neighbours understood to be the opinion of Mr Partridge's at the time he visited the property to perform the STEM Assessment. I understand that concerns were raised regarding the windfall risk and the existing damage to the ROW &



nearby structures, and that the Hare's and their neighbours explained this to Mr Partridge.

The subject tree is clearly a substantially large specimen due to the age and exotic nature of the species. Although we are not tree experts, it appears the STEM result does not consider the health and safety of people. The subject specimen obviously scores highly in the STEM assessment due to its age being over 100 years amongst other reasons, with a score of 204. Although STEM assessments attempt to be objective, considering the organic nature of such assessments, there will always be subjectivity due to the human nature

The proposed rules are also problematic as the root structure of the tree traverses under Pines Court that serves 6 other properties.

The notes from Mr Partridge's assessment on Tree 6 are;

*"Owner's Name: Unknown Date of Inspection: 27/9/21* 

#### Tree proposed by: Existing

Assessor's notes: Reasonable form but has lost a number of branches on its north side. Some of the end branch structure is poor with tight bends and poor taper but this is not structure safety issue and is more of an aesthetic issue. A large girth and relatively low height to girth ratio is likely caused by winds. No roots present to examine but stem is free of defects or cavities. No root damage to any nearby structures observed. Roads, kerbs and a garage within likely rooting area but no surface roots or damage to structures caused by roots observed. In good condition overall slight lean north west. **Past and current management:** 

Appears to have northern branches removed and tidied, otherwise little other work.

### Threats to the future of the tree:

Development potentially nearby.

**Nuisance/negative factors:** Overhanging path. No significant nuisance or negative factors such as damage to structures observed.

Suggested care and maintenance: none

*Historic Notes*: Planted by Colonel Halcombe or family around 1870's, early founder of Feilding."

This submission relates to two points; firstly the health and safety of people and property (it would be preferred if the tree was removed), and secondly, incremental damage to the existing Pines Court accessway and the future maintenance works triggering the need for resource consent. Clearly the Hare's et al do not agree with this assessment due to known existing damage (Refer Photos 1-6).



## 2.1 Health & Safety

Tree 6's height of approximately 28m is considered to be considerable in a residential setting. Figure 1 below shows the extent of the risk should the tree fall over e.g. as a result of storm damage. The inclement nature of 2022 has only catapulted the concerns of the Hare's and their neighbours. As can be seen in Figure 1



Figure 1: Aerial of 28 Kimbolton Road and surrounding residential development with various 28m measurements from Tree 6 to demonstrate the extent of risk should the tree fall

## 2.2 Resource Consent for future maintenance or removal of Tree 6

The essence of this submission therefore relates to the fact that Tree 6 should not be on the Notable Tree Schedule list due to its health & safety concerns. Obviously, Tree 6 will always score highly using a STEM evaluation assessment as it does not consider health safety.

The relevant rules of the proposed Plan Change that concern the Hare's et al are;

Tree-R2 Gardening within Root Protection Area of a Notable Tree listed in Schedule 4c. – **Discretionary Activity** 

Tree-R4 Removal of a Notable Tree...



**Permitted** (But only with specific requirements are meet such as assessments and supervision by a Level 6 Arborist where there is an imminent threat to the safety of <u>people</u> or <u>property</u> which cannot be made safe by pruning...)

Otherwise; **Discretionary** where compliance with Tree-R4 1. A. not achieved.

Without a secondary opinion from a Level 6 Arborist at the owners cost we are unsure exactly which category this may fall under. Either way, this bestows additional cost upon the owner just to understand which category consent the removal of the tree might be, and if the latter, then additional costs with a Level 6 Arborist + resource consent costs. All this at a time that the Hare's *et al* are already stressed and concerned if the tree remains on the property.

This submission is not objecting to the proposed rules, but objects to Tree 6 being listed in the Notable Tree Schedule. These concerns would be alleviated by the removal of Tree 6 from the Notable Tree Schedule in PC H(b) Notable Trees.

On behalf of the Hare's and their neighbours they wish to be heard in support of their submission. If others make a similar submissions the Hare's will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing.

Thank you for considering our submission.



# 6. CONCLUSION

The owners of the subject property would like Tree 6 removed from the 'Notable Trees Schedule'.

In summary;

- Tree 6 is considered by the surrounding residents to be a health & safety hazard due to its size within the existing residential density of housing.
- Tree 6 is already damaging existing buildings such as root systems cracking the concrete slab of an existing garage.
- Tree 6 root system is encroaching under the Pines Court access leg.
- Tree 6 is an ongoing maintenance burden for the nearby residents.
- Tree 6 is an exotic species not native to New Zealand.
- Tree 6 was planted by Colonel Halcombe or family around 1870's, an early founder of Feilding. Colonel Halcombe was Patricia Ashton, one of the owners of 6 Pine Court, Grandfather, and she would like the tree to be removed.
- Tree 6 should be removed from the Notable Tree Schedule.
- Tree 6 would have been appropriate many years ago when Feilding was a very small agricultural town. However, now that the town has grown as has the residential density surrounding the tree, it is now considered to inappropriate for the area it is located. Such specimens are more appropriate in public area such as larger parks & reserves not in the backyard of 725m<sup>2</sup> residential zoned section with concomitant surrounding development.

Having the tree listed in the Notable Tree Schedule means they will need resource consent for any future maintenance of the damage from the root system as this would likely result in a change in ground level due to the root system cracking concrete, which is clearly under existing buildings and the Pines Court access. It will also mean that resource consent is required for Tree 6 to be removed, something the Hare's et al do not wish to burden the tree's removal.

We hope Council will take this submission on behalf of the Hare's *et al* seriously as they have ongoing anxiety and genuine concerns with regard to health & safety and the burden of on-going maintenance.

On behalf of the Hare's et al, they wish to be heard in support of this submission and are happy to join others if they make a similar submission.

Bill Jamieson GEOWORKS LIMITED 15 December 2022



# **APPENDIX 1**

# Photos of existing damage by Tree 6

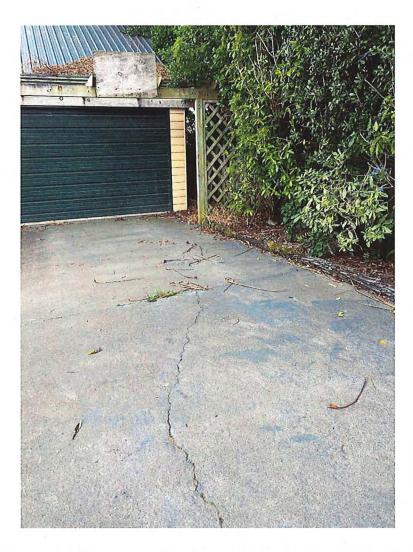


Photo 1: 28 Pines Court – Garage and driveway into garage from Pines Court (Note: Damage to driveway from root system of 'Tree 6'

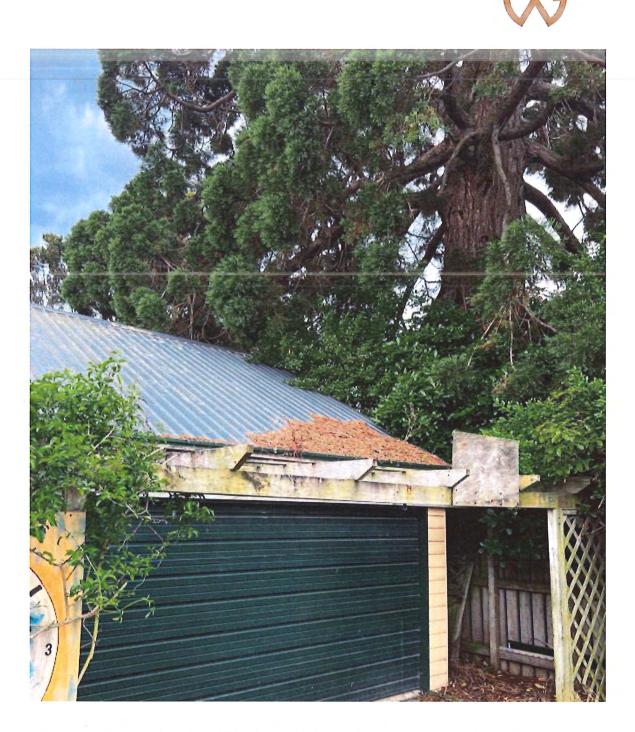


Photo 2: Slightly different angle to photo 1 showing tree debris collecting on garage roof (Note: Tree 6 in the background. The Hare's need to remove the debris at least once a month.





Photo 3: Similar to photo 2 showing more extent of Tree 6 in the background



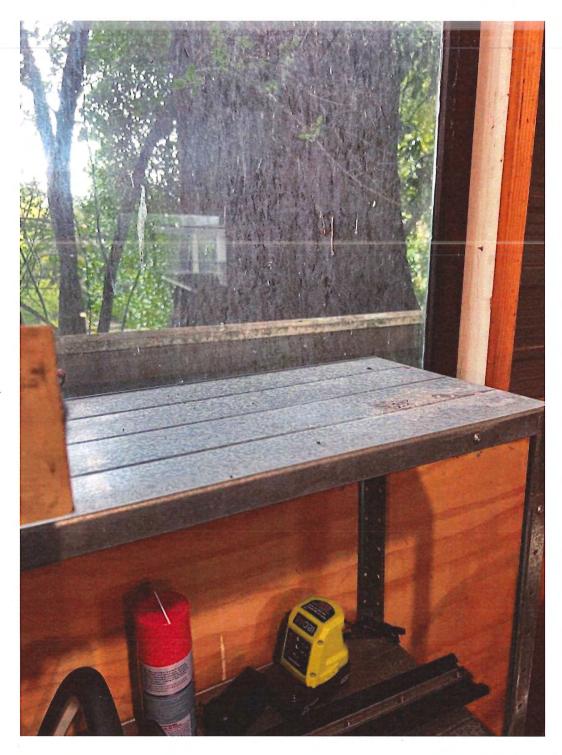


Photo 4: View from inside the garage seen in photos 1-3 (Note: Tree 6 in the background outside



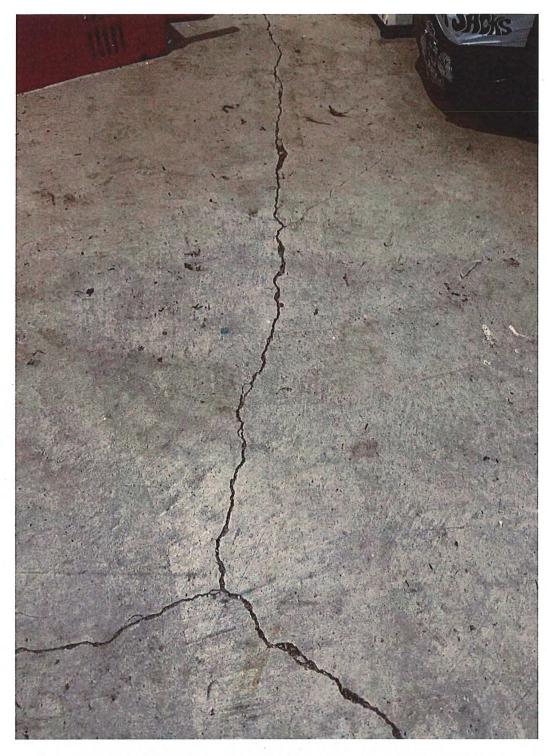


Photo 5: View of concrete floor inside the garage shown on photos 1-3 showing existing damage to the concrete floor from the root system of Tree 6



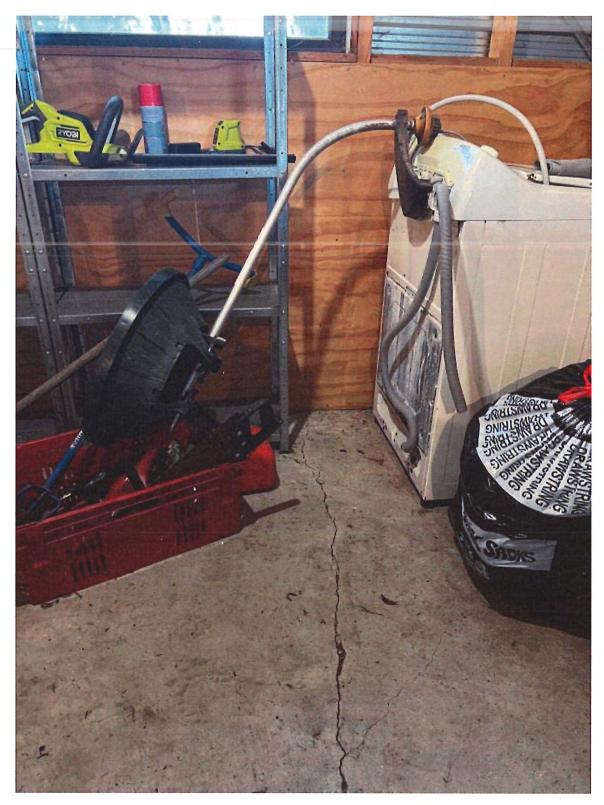


Photo 6: Similar view as photo 6 slight closer image



## **APPENDIX 2**

**Record of Title:** 

WN19D/1418



# RECORD OF TITLE UNDER LAND TRANSFER ACT 2017 FREEHOLD

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R.W. Muir Registrar-General of Land

Identifier

## WN19D/1418

Land Registration DistrictWellingtonDate Issued18 July 1979

Prior References WN18C/1157

EstateFee SimpleArea725 square metres more or lessLegal DescriptionLot 10 Deposited Plan 49736Registered OwnersHelen Clare Hare and Strato Cotsilinis

Interests

Subject to a stormwater right over part marked M on DP 49736 specified in Easement Certificate 336266.2 - 18.7.1979 at 11.31 am

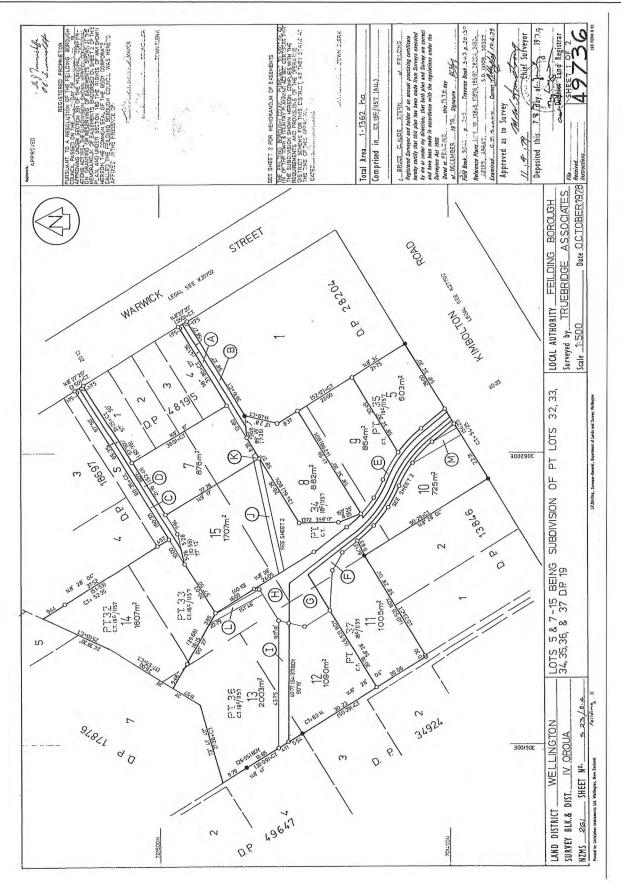
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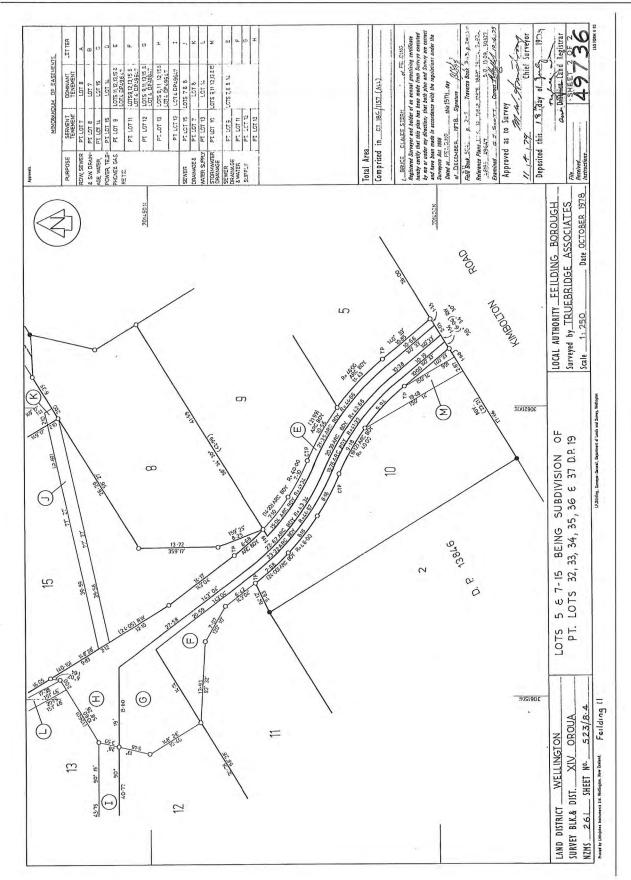
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is even more pronounced, and looks especially ugly, viewed from our house. The district plan recue States The distinct prime in notable trees are increasingly recognised for their "intrinsic role" intrinsic role" in enhancing unban and environment This free Sheds a lot of quite Sizeable dead branches and did a huge 1- of dead twigs an and foliage on to our propert and on to the footpath being dish and dangerous for the large rember I foot thattic using the path many of who stop and remain on "how ugky the these is." Hoping you will take these concerns into consideration. 2h Tours faithfully. ndith Petr MRSV H.C. PERRY.



14 December 2022

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By email: districtplanreview@mdc.govt.nz

Dear Sir/Madam

# PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE HISTORIC HERITAGE AND NOTABLE TREES – HORIZONS SUBMISSION

#### Introduction

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission on the proposed Historic Heritage (Ha) and Notable Trees (Hb) Plan Changes.

At Horizons Regional Council (Horizons) our responsibilities include managing the region's natural resources, flood control, monitoring air and water quality, pest control, facilitating economic growth, leading regional land transport planning and coordinating our region's response to natural disasters.

Environmental planning is a key function. Horizons integrated planning document, the One Plan, sets out four keystone environmental issues for the region – surface water quality degradation, increasing water demand, unsustainable hill country land use and threatened indigenous biodiversity.

Horizons' interest in proposed plan changes H(a) and H(b) is as the regional authority for the affected area. In this submission we consider the proposed plan change in the context of giving effect to the regional policy statement components of Horizons' One Plan, and ensuring that these changes would not be inconsistent with the regional plan provisions<sup>1</sup>. Horizons does not meet the criteria of gaining an advantage in trade competition through this submission and therefore is not limited by clause 6(4) of Part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

Historic Heritage (Proposed Plan Change H(a))

Horizons' response to the Historic Heritage Plan Change has three parts as follows:

- Alignment with the One Plan provisions.
- From the perspective of Horizons' role in river management and flood control in the region.
- Information on liquefaction risk at the Opiki bridge site.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As set out in section 75 of the Resource Management Act 1991



Each point is discussed in detail below.

1. One Plan alignment:

The relevant provisions from the RPS are:

- Objective 6-3 (Historic Heritage) and Policies 6-11 and 6-12.
- Objective 3-2 (Energy) and Policy 3-7 (energy efficiency)

<u>Historic Heritage</u>: One Plan Policy 6-11 requires territorial authorities to include provisions in their District Plans to protect *historic heritage* of national significance from inappropriate use, development or subdivision and give consideration to the implementation of a management framework for other places of historic heritage. Policy 6-12 requires territorial authorities to develop and maintain a schedule of their district's known historic heritage in the District Plan, with a statement of the qualities applying to each site.

The changes proposed through the historic heritage proposed plan change H(a) align with the requirements of the One Plan RPS. On that basis Horizons supports the proposed changes.

<u>Energy efficiency</u>: One Plan Policy 3-7 requires territorial authorities to "(a) have particular regard to the efficient end use of energy in consent decision-making processes for large users of energy" and "(b) territorial authority decisions and controls on subdivision and housing including layout of the site and layout of the lots in relation to other houses/subdivisions, must encourage energy-efficient house design and access to solar energy."

The proposed changes to enable solar panels, heat pumps, and infrastructure connections where they are not visible from a road or public space align with One Plan provisions in policy 3-7 relating to energy efficiency. On that basis Horizons supports the proposed changes.

2. River Management & flood control

Horizons Regional Council is responsible for managing flood control and land drainage in the region and it is an important part of keeping our communities safe. Managing rivers through identification of flood control and drainage schemes, construction and maintenance of flood control and protection structures and drainage schemes allows Horizons to help prevent floods and provide adequate land drainage where required.

We note the proposed plan change lists the Öpiki Toll Bridge as a Category A site of historic built heritage in Schedule 4b. As such, we understand there are rules and conditions relating to activities affecting the structure. The land adjacent to the bridge is owned by Horizons Regional Council and functions as a floodway as part of the Lower Manawatū flood control and drainage scheme. It is understood that Horizons does not own the bridge or the land it is located on (with this being part of the river parcel). Horizons' Engineers have advised they do not undertake works on the bridge or any abutments. As such we understand works in this area will not require resource consent. Given the bridge is located within a flood control and drainage scheme, we <u>request</u> that any party undertaking works on the bridge



structure advise Horizons Regional Council's river management department in advance to ensure risks to any flood protection structures are avoided. We also advise that due to the flood control and drainage value associated with this site, certain works in the riparian margin (10 metres from the bed of the River) may require resource consent from Horizons Regional Council.

3. Öpiki Bridge liquefaction risk

We advise GNS Science has completed regional scale liquefaction susceptibility mapping. It appears that this area has *moderate* susceptibility to liquefaction. Please refer to Horizons Regional Natural Hazard map profile on <u>Horizons Maps | Public</u> <u>Viewer</u> to view the liquefaction map for the Region. Please note, the liquefaction hazard map supplied is a regional scale map that identifies areas where liquefaction might be damaging to buildings and infrastructure. It is not suitable for use as a site-specific analysis of liquefaction, but it may be used to identify and prioritise areas where a site-specific analysis of liquefaction hazard is warranted. Further questions should be directed to GNS Science. For more information about planning and engineering guidance for potentially liquefaction-prone land, visit the Government's website: <u>https://www.building.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/building-code-compliance/b-stability/b1-structure/planning-engineering-liquefaction.pdf</u>

### Notable Trees (Proposed Plan Change H(b))

The relevant provisions from the RPS is Policy 6-1(b)(i) which requires Territorial Authorities to retain schedules of notable trees and amenity trees in their District Plans. The proposal to update Appendix D based on the STEM threshold and add a new Notable Trees chapter appears to align with the requirements of the One Plan RPS and we are generally supportive. However we make the following comments in relation to the rules proposed:

- Rule TREE-R1 (pruning): We support standards TREE-S1 and TREE-S2 requiring the works to be undertaken by a Level 4 qualified arborist, however consider this could be strengthened by requiring confirmation of the arborist to be used and their qualification level to be supplied at the time notification of the works is given to Manawatū District Council.
- We note standards TREE-S1, TREE-S2 and TREE-S3 require two different timeframes for notifying Council. Tree S1(ii) states council be "advised 10 working days prior to works taking place", whereas TREE-S2(i) and TREE-S3(i) requests notification "as soon as reasonably practicable". In our view this creates inconsistency, particularly in relation to rule TREE-R1 which references both TREE-S1 and TREE-S2. We suggest the 10 working day timeframe be applied to all three standards.
- Rule TREE-R4 (removal of a notable tree): the comments in relation to Rule TREE-R1 also apply. We suggest, confirmation of the Level 6 arborist to be used be supplied at the time Manawatū District Council is notified of the works.

#### Conclusion

Horizons generally supports the proposed plan changes for historic heritage and notable trees, subject to the comments within this submission. Horizons seeks the relief set out in its submission above, or any further alternative or consequential relief that achieves the outcomes sought.

We do not wish to be heard in support of this submission but are happy to provide clarification on any matters raised in this submission as required.



Yours sincerely,

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