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Re: The Rest Tauwhare Development Fast-Track Referral Application

Consultation with Ngāti Hauā Iwi Trust has been undertaken for The Rest Tauwhare Development as part of the referral application under the Fast-Track Approvals Act. This has included a site visit and two meetings with Barkers & Associates and the applicant.

Ngāti Hauā Iwi Trust has a responsibility to protect the cultural values, environmental interests, whakapapa, and heritage of our rohe. As part of the wider Tainui confederation, we support the protection of mana motuhake and the recognition of Te Tiriti o Waitangi obligations. We acknowledge that the proposal raises a number of cultural and environmental matters that will require ongoing discussion.

Ngāti Hauā Iwi Trust, together with our leadership and kaitiaki of Tauwhare Marae, will work through these matters to ensure that Te Ture Whai Mana, the principles of Tai Tumu, Tai Pari, and Tai Ao, along with the aspirations of Te Rautaki Tāmata Ao Tūroa o Ngāti Hauā, are recognised, upheld and achieved.

Ngāti Hauā Iwi Trust holds a neutral position on the referral application under the Fast-Track Approvals Act. We expect ongoing engagement with Ngāti Hauā Iwi Trust and Tauwhare Marae throughout the substantive application process and subsequent project delivery to ensure that our cultural values, environmental interests, and kaitiaki responsibilities are recognised, respected, and appropriately upheld.

Ngāti Hauā Iwi Trust, alongside Tauwhare Marae seeks to develop a Memorandum of Understanding with the applicant as the project progresses. This would provide a framework for continued engagement, partnership and shared outcomes, while helping to ensure that mana whakahaere is maintained and that the whakapapa relationships between iwi, hapū, and marae within the Tauwhare rohe are respected.

We are committed to working alongside the applicant and Barkers & Associates to achieve outcomes that protect our taiao, uphold our cultural values and support the wellbeing of future generations for Ngāti Hauā and our peoples of Tauwhare Marae.

Mō tātou, ā, mō kā uri ā muri ake nei.



Tiakina te taiao, he tāonga tuku iho.



Norman Hill

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