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# **FURTHER INFORMATION REQUEST**

## Milldale Fast Track Application - Stages 10-13

## Local Purpose (Drainage) Reserve

Healthy Waters has requested that Lots 6000–6022 be identified as *Land in Lieu of Reserve – for Drainage Purposes* rather than as *Local Purpose (Drainage) Reserve to vest*. After careful consideration, we propose to retain the current designation of *Local Purpose (Drainage) Reserve to vest* for the following reasons:

#### 1. Consistency with existing reserve network

All adjacent and connected subdivisions have drainage land vested as *Local Purpose (Drainage) Reserves*. This has been the standard mechanism throughout the Milldale subdivision and provides continuity across the network. Introducing a different designation at this stage would create an inconsistent framework for land that serves the same drainage function.

#### 2. Clarity for future management

Using different designations for land with the same purpose complicates responsibilities for future management and maintenance. Retaining *Local Purpose (Drainage) Reserves* provides clarity for asset managers and the public regarding the purpose and function of these areas. This designation also ensures that these areas remain part of the public drainage network, consistent with subdivision outcomes and wider planning objectives.

### 3. Compliance with Land Information New Zealand (LINZ) parcel intent requirements

LINZ recognises only specific Parcel Intent / Usage categories for cadastral survey datasets. "Land in Lieu of Reserve – for Drainage Purposes" is not an allowable parcel intent. Using this description would prevent LINZ from approving the cadastral dataset invalidating the subdivision consent.

The correct and accepted mechanisms for these parcels are:

- **Vesting** under the RMA 1991 and the Reserves Act 1977 **as Local Purpose (Drainage) Reserve**, with the reserve purpose confirmed under the Reserves Act, or
- Vesting as Land in Lieu of a Reserve (without the drainage qualifier).

#### Conclusion

For these reasons, we recommend maintaining *Local Purpose (Drainage) Reserve* as the designation for Lots 6000–6022. This ensures compliance with LINZ, network consistency, and clear long-term asset management for Council.

Yours faithfully

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