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### **DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**

## **Further Submission Form**

Further submissions clo	se on Monday, 21 November 2022 at 5	pm.
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Chapman Tripp 60 Cashel Street PO Box 2510 Christchurch 8140	Sub No. 160.2	Oppose	The request to rezone Settlement Zone in Ohoka to General Residential Zone is requested by RIDL to give effect to PPC31, which I have objected to in its entirety.	Disallow	As above
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	Sub no.160.11	Oppose	The proposed variation is required to build larger education facilities as part of PPC31, which I oppose in its entirety.	Disallow	The change allows fro construction of large facilities at Ohoka that are not needed nor desired by the local community.
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#### Increased Pressure on the Local School

3.21 The Ohoka School has a rural feel to it with approximately 250 students. This School has been an integral part of the community for some time, with many of the local residents being educated there. The local school authorities have indicated that the enrolment at Ohoka School is presently near capacity, and the addition of 850 or more extra families in the local area will increase the pressure on the school resources well beyond their ability to cope.

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- 3.23 I have already outlined my concerns regarding the health and safety concerns around the drop off and entry points to the Ohoka School as a result of the projected increase in local traffic from the residential development outlined in Private Plan Change RCP031.

# Impacts on Local Infrastructure and the Costs of Improvements that May be Required

- 3.24 The Applicant has contracted consultants to consider the improvements in the infrastructure that may be required to accommodate an 850 plus residential development in a part of the Waimakariri District that has not been zoned nor planned for such development by the District Council in either its operative or proposed District Plan. These required improvements include significant upgrades in stormwater, sewerage, potable water, electrical supply, transport/roading and other services.
- 3.25 The Waimakariri District Council has staged planning underway for a major subdivision north of Rangiora, and is presently considering the capital investment to service this targeted area of population growth. The proposed District Plan also identifies other areas in the Waimakariri district planned for development, and the District Council has clearly stated that it "has neither planned for, nor sought" the development contemplated by Private Plan Change RCP031.
- 3.26 While it is likely that the Waimakariri District Council will apply "development levies" to the proposed development to help cover the costs of infrastructure improvements, such levies are unlikely to cover the extensive costs anticipated. This will place additional costs onto the Council, and ultimately onto rate payers.

#### 4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1 I agree with the Waimakariri District Council's submission that this Private Plan Change 031 be declined.
- 4.2 In summary, as I have outlined in my submission, it is my opinion that Private Plan Change Plan 031 should be <u>declined</u> for the following reasons:
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- 4.3 The reasons for my view expressed in this submission come from my knowledge and familiarity with the Ohoka Village and surrounding area. Overall, Private Plan Change RCP031 will overwhelm Ohoka Village, and destroy the small village character that is valued so highly by so many people.
- 4.4 Thank you for the opportunity to present my submission. I hope you consider it fairly in your decision-making.

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### **DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**

## **Further Submission Form**

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Only certain persons can make a further submission. Please select the option that applies to you. I am:

 $\blacksquare$  a person who has an interest in the proposal that is greater than the interest the general public has  $\blacksquare$  the local authority for the relevant area

Please explain why you come within the category selected above:

a person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest

II am the joint owner of the property limmediately across Whites Road from the area that Carter Group Property Limited (CGPL) has requested zoning changes from in the proposed District Plan. The request by CGPL is to facilitate future development of a major housing development in the Ohoka area under Private Plan Change 31 to the Operative District Plan which I have objected to in its entirety.

#### **Hearing options**

I wish to be heard in support of my further submission? oxdot extstyle extstyle

If others make a similar further submission I will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing. 🗹 Yes 🗆 No

Signature: Date: 21 November 2022

(of person making submission or person authorised to make decision on behalf)

**PLEASE NOTE** - A signature is not required if you submit this form electronically. By entering your name in the box below you are giving your authority for this application to proceed.



Name of person making further submission: Beverley Gail Brantley

This further submission is in relation to the <u>original submission</u> of: Enter the details of the original submitter: • name, address or email; and • submission number (and point(s), if applicable)		My/our position on the original submission is: Support or oppose	The reasons for my/our support/ opposition to the original submission are:	Allow or disallow the original submission (in full or in part)	Give precise details of why you wish to allow/disallow (in full or in part) to indicate the decision you want Council to make
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#### SCHEDULE 1

IN THE MATTER

of the Resource Management

Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of Private Plan Change RCP031 (535 Mill Road, Ohoka) to the Waimakariri District Plan by Rolleston Industrial

**Developments Limited** 

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 My name is Beverley Gail Brantley. I reside at 350 Whites Road, Ohoka with my husband and my daughter. My family has lived in Ohoka for the last 19 years, and plan to reside in Ohoka for many more years. We have invested considerable funds in both the initial purchase and development of our residential property and family home.
- 1.2 I make a submission on Private Plan Change RCP031 requesting that it be declined due to the following reasons:
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- 1.3 In my statement of evidence, I will:
  - Outline my understanding of Private Plan Change RCP031 and what I
    perceive as the lack of any community consultation.
  - Outline why I consider Private Plan Change RCP031 should be declined.

#### 2. PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE RCP031

- 2.1 I understand that Private Plan Change RCP031 proposes to rezone 155.9 hectares of land located to the south/southwest of the Ohoka Village, in an area bounded for the most part by Bradleys Road, Mill Road and Whites Road. The Applicant is proposing that the area covered by Private Plan Change RCP031 is rezoned from Rural to Residential 3, 4A and Business 4, and to create a Residential 8 zone.
- 2.2 Private Plan Change RCP031, if approved, would provide for a residential development including up to 700 new households in the proposed Residential 3 zone, up to 150 new households in the proposed Residential 4A zone and a possible school or retirement village in the proposed Residential 8 zone, or additional housing commiserate with the proposed Residential 3 zone if either the school or retirement village were not developed.
- 2.3 The proposed Business 4 land would accommodate between 5700m² to 6900m² of commercial floor space and associated car parking.
- 2.4 The area subject to Private Plan Change RCP031 is currently zoned as Rural, and is largely included in an existing dairy farming operation, although there are several residential areas within the area covered by Private Plan Change RCP031, including a total of 7 separate dwellings.

#### 3. SUBMISSION POINTS

3.1 I have previously outlined my main reasons for requesting that Private Plan Change RCP031 be declined (paragraph 1.2). I will now expand on each of these points.

# Lack of Compliance with the Waimakariri Operative District Plan and the Proposed District Plan

- 3.2 It is my understanding that Private Plan Change RCP031 is not consistent with the relevant provisions of the operative Waimakariri District Plan. The expansion of the Ohoka settlement is limited by the District Plan to within its currently designated Residential 3, 4A and 4B boundaries, and it is intended that any future residential development at Ohoka is constrained to maintain its rural village character.
- 3.3 Policy 18.1.1.9 of the operative District Plan states that "any further rural residential development occurs in a way, and to an extent, that does not overwhelm the special semi-rural nature of the settlement".
- 3.4 The Waimakariri District Council completed a review of the operative District Plan in late 2021, including considerable consultation with the community. Submissions on the proposed District Plan closed in November 2021. From the planning maps issued with the proposed District Plan, limited development has been forecast for the Ohoka area, with further residential development zones being restricted to an area north of Mill Road and adjacent to the housing development along Wilson Road, north of the southern branch of the Ohoka Stream.
- 3.5 The proposed District Plan identifies West Rangiora, Northwest Rangiora, Southeast Rangiora and Kaiapoi as the Council's preferred locations for future housing development in the district. The Council has publicly stated it has "neither planned for nor solicited" the application for development outlined by Private Plan Change RCP031.

### Adverse Effects on Rural Character, Amenity and Intrinsic Values

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- 3.9 The peace and quiet, rural nature and strong sense of community are values and attributes that were the main reasons we moved to, and continue to live in Ohoka.
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#### **Effects on Ecology**

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