

**IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT  
AT CHRISTCHURCH  
I TE KŌTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA  
KI ŌTAUTAHI**

**Decision No. [2026] NZEnvC 58**

IN THE MATTER

of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

an appeal under clause 14 of the First  
Schedule of the Act

BETWEEN

M J MCCORMICK

(ENV-2025-CHC-56)

Appellant

AND

WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT  
COUNCIL

Respondent

Environment Judge P A Steven – sitting alone under s279 of the Act

In Chambers at Christchurch

Date of Consent Order: 26 March 2026

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**CONSENT ORDER**

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A: Under s279(1)(b) RMA,<sup>1</sup> the Environment Court, by consent, orders that:

- (1) the appeal is allowed to the extent that Waimakariri District Council is to amend the Partially Operative Waimakariri District Plan planning maps in accordance with Appendix 1, attached to and forming part

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<sup>1</sup> Resource Management Act 1991.



- of this consent order; and
- (2) the appeal is otherwise dismissed.

B: Under s285 RMA, there is no order as to costs.

## **REASONS**

### **Introduction**

[1] This proceeding concerns an appeal by Michael John McCormick (appellant) against a decision of the Waimakariri District Council (Council) concerning the Proposed Waimakariri District Plan (PDP). The PDP is now referred to as the Partially Operative Waimakariri District Plan.

[2] The appeal sought the addition of a Large Lot Residential Zone Overlay (LLRZO) to the appellant's land at 59 Dixons Road and 125 Boundary Road, Loburn (the Properties) which are zoned as Rural Lifestyle Zone (RLZ).

[3] I have read and considered the joint memorandum of the parties dated 18 March 2026 which sets out the agreement reached between the parties to resolve this appeal in its entirety. The parties have agreed to amend the PDP planning maps by applying a LLRZO to the Properties. The RLZ zoning of the Properties remains unchanged.

[4] I have also read and considered the affidavit of Shelley Milosavljevic affirmed 13 March 2026. The affidavit addresses the scope to make the changes sought and the rationale of the agreed changes in terms of s32AA RMA.

### **Other relevant matters**

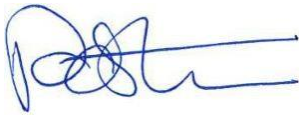
[5] No person has given notice of an intention to become a party under s274 RMA.

[6] The parties advise that:

- (a) all matters proposed for the court's endorsement fall within the court's jurisdiction and conform to the relevant requirements and objectives of the RMA including, in particular, Pt 2;
- (b) no other appeals relate directly to the provisions, the subject of the consent order; and
- (c) there are no issues as to costs.

### **Outcome**

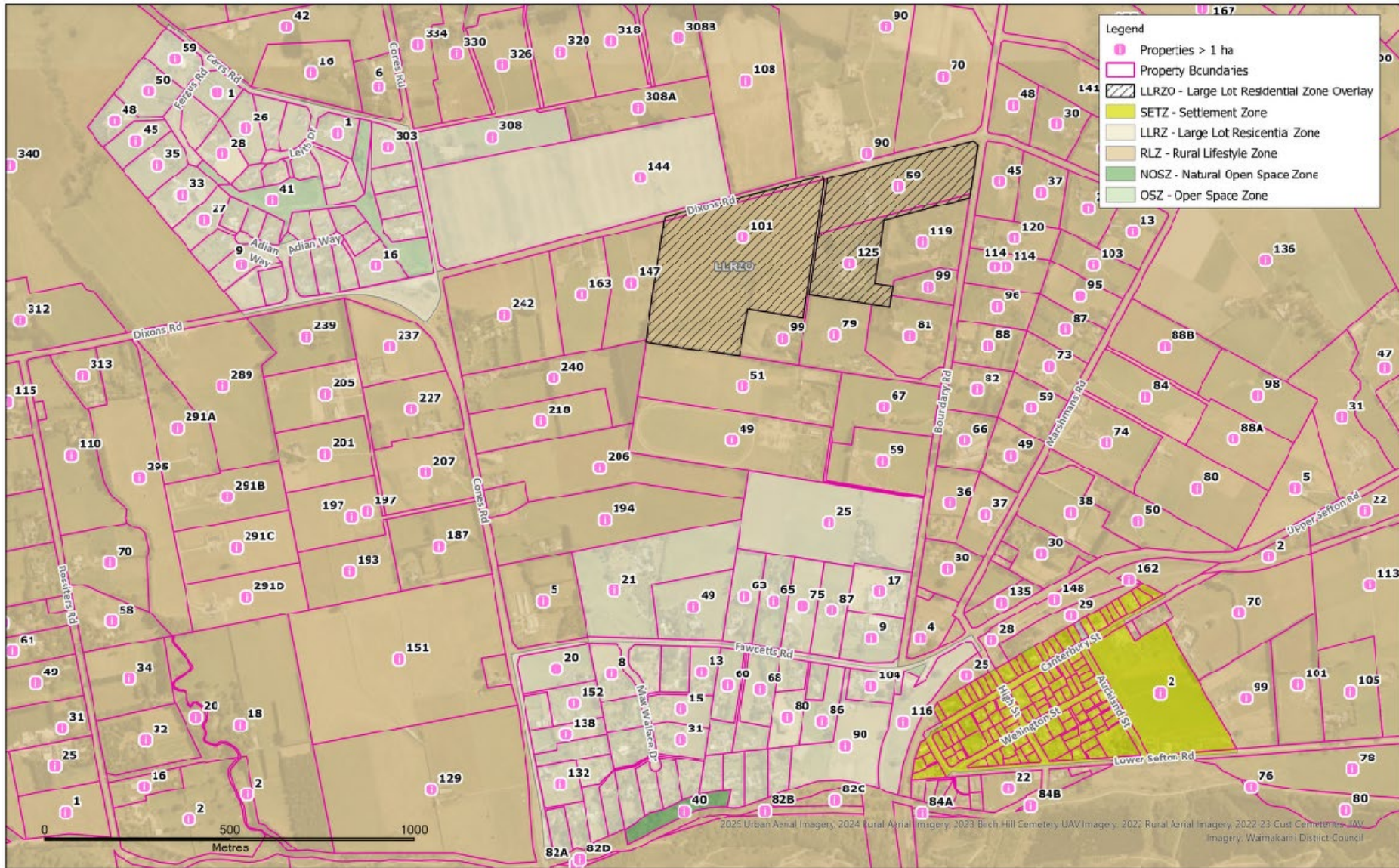
[7] All parties to the proceeding have executed the memorandum requesting the orders. On the information provided to the court, I am satisfied that the orders will promote the purpose of the Act so I will make the orders sought.



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**P A Steven**  
**Environment Judge**

# Appendix 1



## McCormick appeal relief sought – add LLRZO to 59 Dixons Rd and 125 Boundary Rd

Date: 9/12/2025

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