

## Submission on a Publicly Notified Plan Change To The Wanganui District Plan

In accordance with Form 5 – RM (Forms, Fees and Procedure) Regulations 2003

**TO:** Wanganui District Council, PO Box 637, Wanganui

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**This is a submission on Plan Change No. 37 to the Wanganui District Plan. Closing Date:4/6/2014**

**1. (a) I could not\*** gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

(b) **I /am not\*** directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that adversely affects the environment; and does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition

**2. The specific provisions of the proposed plan change that my submission relates to:**

Are of a general nature.

**3. My submission is that I support** the provision and additions to the District plan for Papakainga. Why? because it has become timely and relevant to enable the transition, progress and future proofing of the development of Papakainga, for both descendants wanting to return to their land and for the region to embrace these developments and the culturally enriching and economics benefit they have the potential to provide.

There are some amendments and additions for consideration.

### **4. I seek the following decision from the Council**

I wish to see amendments that 'positivity' identifies and expresses the need and support for Papakainga development, and objectives that meet those needs. Also a holistic approach, it is about the land, its care, improved utilization and its progressive development, also about the people and community on and around the land, and how the community as a whole can benefit.

Briefly highlighting some initially identified mutual benefits .

\* Benefits for tangata whenua: it is about reconnecting, reviving our special relationship and values through a long lived (since 1800's) line of passed tupuna (ancestors), and whakapapa (geneology) who all have a bond and connection to the land, and this in turn provides a sense of belonging, peace, acceptance and safety to those descendants, and particularly those wanting to return to grass roots home base and create a Papakainga.

\* Benefits for land: it is also a living and often spiritual entity Wairuatanga (embedded emotion/spirit), requiring nurturing and ideally positive utilisation (not economic exploitation), by tangata whenua or those that share the same aroha for the land. Much of this land not only has rich history, but often archaeology sites left by the once occupying tupuna and natural assets once used for survival and now valued for conservation.

\* Benefits and knowledge to share: cultural, environmental and conservation resources/assets: Maori have a special relationship with natural resources, once resourcefully and environmentally managed and used to survive by their tupuna and their land it is sacred taonga rich in much history, there is opportunity and benefits for realisation and embracing by owners, descendants, community and regions to preserve, conserve and share their land asset in a respective and enriching way.

\* Benefits for the community: as Marae, Papakainga are also based on principles of kotahitanga (cohesion and collaboration) establishing effective partnerships and collaboration with community. Also Manaakitanga

(hospitality and security) acceptance and hospitality to visitors. There are no high gates and windowless buildings.

\* Benefits for the economy: progressive development, this requires planning, financial resources and technical/skilled/contracted resources, equates to hiring, purchasing and financial expenditure directly into the local community and economy.

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**Issue/Need**

To improve the under utilisation and non occupation of Maori land (multi owned), unfortunately is often in need of Kaitiakitanga (Guardianship, protection and stewardship) care and development for both returning owners, and the wider community for many unrealised benefits .

**Objective:**

Realising the potential from enabling the development of the districts Maori land ( and Treaty settlement land) to ensure the land asset can be occupied and developed to contribute significantly to lift Maori social, health, cultural, and economic well being, that in turn benefits the wider community.

**Policy inclusions**

Appropriate density Papakainga are settlements and require the ability to build in close proximity, this may not be adequately provisioned for in rural zoning. Zoning will need to allow for more residential type allocation for housing and facilities so that there are no restrictions to building Papakainga as a close knit settlement.

Due to some Papakainga being on rural land with no services there needs to be provision for alternative infrastructure for power generation and waste /water disposal ie Solar, windmills, eco sewerage systems.

Urupa will need to be a inclusion if the Papakainga has a requirement to have one, if one does not already exist, or full or not able to be used for other reasons.

Community facilities to be able to provide for a range of activities, that would used for hui, host visitors and social events. Also buildings that may have flexible and functional uses, as classrooms, offices, workshops, art and craft studios or additional accommodation and/or home occupations space or commercial activity, that can employ as many people as needed for economic sustainable well-being of the community and regional economic input for development.

I am happy to be contacted regarding this or further information at details below

5. I **do not**\* wish to be heard in support of this submission

6. If others make a similar submission I **would** be prepared to consider presenting a joint case with them at any hearing.

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