



ENVIRONMENT COURT OF NEW ZEALAND

15 February 2022

In reply, please quote reference  
ENV-2022-AKL-000018

**BY EMAIL ONLY**

Louise Feathers  
Feathers Planning  
PO Box 1462  
Hamilton 3240

Dear Ms Feathers

Your client: Bettley-Stamef Partnership

**Bettley-Stamef Partnership v Waikato District Council**

Master Topic: Proposed Waikato District Plan

I acknowledge electronic receipt on 14 February 2022 of:

- an appeal by a submitter on a proposed plan pursuant to clause 14 of Schedule 1 to the Resource Management Act 1991; and
- the filing fee of \$600.00.

I look forward to receiving from you written notice of the name, address and date of service for each person served with a copy of the notice of appeal.

**Please note:** The notice of appeal does not contain the following advice note, as required by Form 7 of the Resource Management (Forms, Fees, and Procedure) Regulations 2003:

**Advice to recipients of copy of notice of appeal**

*How to become party to proceedings*

You may be a party to the appeal if you made a submission or a further submission on the matter of this appeal.

To become a party to the appeal, you must,—

- within 15 working days after the period for lodging a notice of appeal ends, lodge a notice of your wish to be a party to the proceedings (in form 33) with the Environment Court and serve copies of your notice on the relevant local authority and the appellants; and
- within 20 working days after the period for lodging a notice of appeal ends, serve copies of your notice on all other parties.

Your right to be a party to the proceedings in the court may be limited by the trade competition provisions in section 274(1) and Part 11A of the Act.

You may apply to the Environment Court under section 281 of the Act for a waiver of the above timing or service requirements (see form 38).

### **Advice**

If you have any questions about this notice, contact the Environment Court in Auckland, Wellington, or Christchurch.

Accordingly, you are requested to provide the submitters with a copy of the above advice note so they are aware of how they may become a party to the appeal. Please provide me with a copy of your advice note once you have attended to this matter and advise me of the date it was served.

If the matter proceeds to hearing, you will be notified of any hearing date and time as well as the associated hearing and scheduling fees.

### **Case Management**

The Environment Court operates a caseflow management system for all proceedings filed with it. The Court will supervise or manage the time and events involved in the life of this case, from the time it is filed, to the time it is disposed of. Initially a copy of this appeal will be referred to an Environment Judge shortly after its filing for assignment to a case track.

#### **What is a case track?**

The Court specifically manages the flow of cases through a Case Tracking system, of which there are three distinct management tracks. They are:

#### **Standard:**

This management track will include most s.120 appeals, non-urgent enforcement proceedings and other miscellaneous proceedings. The Court will typically issue standard directions to the parties, with an emphasis on avoiding unnecessary court appearances at the interlocutory stage and a hearing within six months of commencement.

#### **Priority:**

This track is for the more urgent cases, such as urgent enforcement proceedings; also appeals that the Court considers require priority resolution, or matters for which more intense case management is required.

#### **Parties On-Hold:**

Cases will be placed onto this track (unless the managing Judge otherwise directs) in circumstances where parties advise that they are not actively seeking a hearing to (for example) negotiate or mediate.

**Where your case has not already been assigned to a case track then the Managing Judge will allocate your case to a specific track and you will be notified of this by way of separate correspondence.**

Information about the Environment Court and its procedures can be found on the Ministry of Justice web site (<http://www.justice.govt.nz>) and is also available from the Ministry for the Environment (<http://www.mfe.govt.nz>).



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Please direct any correspondence or enquiries to myself as Case Manager for this matter and note the above Court reference.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Trent Grace'.

Trent Grace  
Case Manager

**ENVIRONMENT COURT**

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**Copied by email to:**

Waikato District Council, c/- Kirsty Ridling

# **LIST OF PARTIES - EMAIL**

<b><u>Lodgement:</u></b>	<b><u>ENV-2022-AKL-000018</u></b>	<b><u>Bettley-Stamef Partnership v Waikato District Council</u></b>
Initiator	Bettley-Stamef Partnership	Louise Feathers, Feathers Planning, PO Box 1462, Hamilton, louise@feathers.co.nz
Respondent	Waikato District Council	Kirsty Ridling, Waikato District Council, Private Bag 544, Ngaaruawaahia 3742, Kirsty.Ridling@waidc.govt.nz