## IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT OF NEW ZEALAND

## **AUCKLAND REGISTRY**

# I TE KŌTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA

## TĀMAKI MAKAURAU ROHE

ENV-2022-000053

**IN THE MATTER** of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under Clause 14(1) of the First Schedule of the Resource

Management Act 1991

BETWEEN PERJULI DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED

Appellant

AND WAIKATO DISTRICT COUNCIL

Respondent

NOTICE OF WISH TO BE PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION 274 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

22 March 2022

## To The Registrar

**Environment Court** 

PO Box 7147

**Wellesley Street** 

Auckland

#### NAME OF PERSON WHO WISHES TO BE PARTY

- 1. Te Whakakitenga o Waikato wishes to be a party pursuant to section 274 of the Resource Management Act 1991 ("RMA") to the following proceedings:
  - a) Perjuli Developments Limited v Waikato District Council (ENV-2022-AKL-000053) being an appeal against decisions of the Waikato District Council on the Proposed Waikato District Plan.
- 2. Te Whakakitenga o Waikato made submissions and further submissions on the Proposed Waikato District Plan (submission number 286 and further submission number FS1108 for Stage 1).
- 3. Te Whakakitenga o Waikato also has an interest in these proceedings that is greater than the general public being the representative iwi authority for Waikato-Tainui, a people that are directly affected by the proposed relief sought by the Appellant.

#### TRADE COMPETITION

4. Te Whakakitenga o Waikato is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.

## THE PROCEEDING

- 5. Te Whakakitenga o Waikato is interested in **all of the proceedings** in relation to the stated appeal, and in particular the matters associated with Sites of Significance to Maaori.
- 6. Te Whakakitenga o Waikato **oppose** all the relief sought in paragraph 8 of the appeal. In particular, the removal of Sites of Significance from the district plan, inclusive of the Pukeiahua burrow pits (ID 294), from the District Plan as this would fail to recognise the significance of the listed sites and would not afford them adequate protection necessary under section 6, 7 and 8 of the RMA.
- 7. Te Whakakitenga o Waikato further **oppose** the deletion of the Pukeiahua burrow pits (ID294) from the District Plan given the utmost significance of the site to iwi Maaori both in a local context to mana whenua and in a regional content in regards to it comprising part of a broader network of sites. Te Whakakitenga o Waikato further highlight that the significance of the site and its recognition and protection in the district plan is not a matter contested by mana whenua.

8. The amendments sought to the objectives, policies and rules of the District Plan as regards Sites of Significance to Maaori set out in paragraph 8 of the appeal would not provide adequate recognition and protection of identified Sites of Significance to Maaori necessary under section 6, 7 and 8 of the RMA.

# **DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

9. Te Whakakitenga o Waikato agree to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Dated: 22 March 2022

Marae Tukere

**Acting Chief Executive** 

Waikato-Tainui