

Proposed Waikato District Plan Hearings

Hearing 13 – Hampton Downs Motorsport and Recreation Zone

Agreed outcomes of pre-hearing video conference held 1 April 2020

Participants – all by Zoom software:

Role/organisation	
Facilitator	Phil Mitchell
New Zealand Transport Agency	Mike Wood Tanya Running Robert Swears
HD Land Limited and Hampton Downs (NZ) Limited	Ben Blair Paula Rolfe
Reid Investment Trust	Alistair White
Waikato District Council	Victoria Majoor Carolyn Wratt Neil Taylor

Agreed outcomes:

The parties agree that the following plan framework can form the basis of redrafted district plan provisions relating to the current and future operation and development of the Hampton Downs Motor Sport and Recreation Zone:

1. Activities authorised by the 2006 resource consent should be imbedded in the plan as a permitted activity and subject to the same conditions, amended as necessary to fit the district plan context. Exception: the details of the permitted activity rule for signs were not agreed, see 5.
2. Events larger than 20,000 spectators require consent as a restricted discretionary activity, with the key matters of discretion being traffic management, signage, hours of operation and noise management [participants to confirm list and delete “key”].
3. Additional permitted activities should be provided for ancillary activities (e.g. ticket booth and other uses that needed a separate resource consent after 2006), provided they meet certain specific “standards” aimed at ensuring their off-site effects are “acceptable”.
4. Activities not contemplated in 1 – 3 above will be full discretionary activities.
5. Signs
 - a) Agreed: the permitted activity rule for signs will follow the format in Box A.
 - b) Agreed: to work towards agreement on details of rule content.

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- c) Agreement is to be sought between the parties on these controls to be incorporated into the agreed rule format:
 - i. sign area
 - ii. sign height
 - iii. setback distances of signs
 - iv. orientation of signs to intended audience
 - v. reducing visibility of signs from public places, especially State Highway 1.
 - vi. screening
 - vii. numbers of signs.
- d) Agreed: the signs rule will not adopt the text shown struck-through in Box B.

6. Reid Site

- NZTA advised areas of Designation J11a along Hampton Downs Road are surplus to requirements and will be uplifted.
- Hampton Downs and Reid will continue to work together on provisions to enable the reasonable (non-urban) use of the Reid site. That work will focus notably on the need or otherwise for any modification to zone provisions and/or the associated traffic management planning concerning the traffic movements to/from the Reid site during high occupancy events at Hampton Downs. The outcome of that work will be shared with NZTA and Council.

7. Next steps and timeline

Completed by end of	Action	Who
1 April	Write up conference outcomes and circulate	Neil Taylor
3 April	Develop new draft of rules to reflect conference outcomes and circulate	Victoria Majoor
6 April	Parties to review draft and circulate their comments	New Zealand Transport Agency Hampton Downs Reid Investments
7 April	“Red-line” version of new draft of rules to be prepared and circulated	Victoria Majoor
9 April	Hearing of submissions - red-line version to be tabled.	Hearings Panel

Note: The Chair indicated that the Hearings Panel will not wish to see the above papers before the hearing and will not require pre-hearing summary statements on these matters from submitters.

Box A: Agreed format for permitted activity signs rule

- (a) A sign visible from a public place shall comply with all of the following conditions:
- (i) It does not exceed [area in square metres]
 - (ii) The sign height does not exceed [metres]
 - (iii) Illuminated signs shall not:
 - A. Have a light source that flashes or moves
 - B. Contain moving parts or reflective materials
 - (iv) It is set back at least [metres] from the boundary of Hampton Downs Road
 - (v) It is set back at least [metres] from State Highway 1
 - (vi) Is orientated to be internally facing unless it is more than 1 km distant from SH1 ~~so the main audience are spectators on site;~~
 - (vii) ~~Is screened from State Highway 1;~~ Is not directed towards SH 1, or, is screened from view from SH 1, or is illegible when viewed from SH1.
- EXCLUDES “Temporary traffic management” SIGNS
- (viii) It relates to:
- A. Any motor sport and recreation activity or events within the Motorsport and Recreation Zone; or
 - B. A property name sign.

Box B: Approaches that will not be adopted

~~NZTA: Amend wording on signs (Rule 26.2.11 P1(a)(vi) in Appendix 3 of the S42a report) such that:~~

- a) ~~The sign faces away from the site highway such that the content is “invisible”;~~
- b) ~~Signs on the western side of the track are either screened from view from the state highway by vegetation, or~~
- c) ~~—~~

~~FOR PERMITTED ACTIVITIES~~

~~HD: Temporary signage associated with any event that is located within 60 metres of the boundary with SH 1 shall be internally facing and not directed at traffic travelling along SH1.~~

~~the messages on any unofficial signs associated with the Motor Sport Park are not legible to road users on the transport network.~~

~~Signs associated with the Park shall comply with Rule 49 of the Plan, be internally facing so that their primary audience are spectators and are screened from the State Highway by planting so as not to compromise the safety and efficiency of traffic on the adjacent road network, or the amenities outside the motor sport park.~~