

Proposed Waikato District Plan Enabling Housing Supply Variation 3

to the Proposed Waikato District Plan Submission form

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RMA Form 5

Closing date for submissions: 5pm on Friday 28 October 2022

Submitter details: (please note that the (*) are required fields and must be completed)

Name of submitter*:				
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Trade competition and adverse effects:* I could I could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission. Only if you ticked "I could" above, please answer this question: I am/am not directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that: (a) adversely affects the environment; and (b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition. Note: If you are a person who could gain an advantage in trade competition through the submission, your right to make a submission may be limited by clause 6(4) of Part I of Schedule I of the Resource Management Act 1991				
Would you like to present your submission in person at a hearing? Yes No If others make a similar submission I will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing. Yes No				

Please complete a line for every submission point, adding as many additional lines as you need:

The specific provisions of the proposal that my submission relates to e.g provision number, map or natural hazard area	Do you: • Support? • Oppose? • Amend?	What decision are you seeking from Council? What action would you like: • Retain? • Amend? • Add? • Delete?	Reasons
e.g. SUB-R1 Subdivision - general	e.g Support	e.g Retain rule SUB-R I	e.g Subdivision should be allowed for

Please return this form **no later than 5pm on Friday 28 October 2022** to: Waikato District Council, 15 Galileo Street, Private Bag 544, Ngaruawahia 3742, or e-mail: <u>districtplan@waidc.govt.nz</u>

Signed:	Date:	
(A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic me	ans)	

PRIVACY ACT NOTE: Please note that all information provided in your submission will be used to progress the process for this variation, and may be made publicly available.

27th October 2022

Waikato District Council Submissions

Wendy & Shane Harrod

13a Pokeno Road

Pokeno

Submission for the proposed 3 x 3 housing changes in Pokeno submitted by Wendy & Shane Harrod:

To whom It may concern,

We are putting forward our submission to the proposal of 3 x 3 housing changes within 800 metres of Pokeno Town Centre.

Submission

We moved to quiet Pokeno 15 years ago when there were no subdivisions, streetlights, traffic lights, supermarket and so much more. We understood growth will happen and accepted this with covenants' to protect the country village lifestyle in the community when we purchased our home here.

The subdivision was born and massive growth at a rapid speed. They had covenants' put in place to honour the style of Pokeno with single level dwellings. This major development at a rapid rate has outgrown any infrastructure and resource's that were and are planned already. This new proposal will ultimately change the outlook of Pokeno as we had planned and been a part of planning at regular meetings held for the community over the years. To add this the inclusion of the proposed 3 x 3 housing in a town that is already struggling with keeping up with the demand of the rapidly growing subdivisions is only going to cause further issues for the community going forward.

With the new subdivision development, it cost us quiet considerably to join the town wastewater. Yes, we had a choice, and it was subsidized which we appreciated however it was a huge cost to us to accommodate this massive growth in the town. To add several houses on one property will only long-term cause further issues for the rapid growth of the town neither lone the look of the community we live in and love.

Where we are located, in the early part of Pokeno road this will most definitely affect us with the possibility of high-rise buildings rising above us. This will affect us considerably with sun blockage, neighbours overlooking your entire property from a great height, de-value our property and just the plain out of character look this will have to the Pokeno Community. We have attended regular meetings for the community about the plans and the look of Pokeno Village moving forward and this

was not the plans we all had, to keep it as a character village in a rural setting. Something we were excited about happening.

Quiet clearly the council was not going to make this a huge public announcement and quietly just get this passed through. I was notified about a mail out which I did not see. Yes, this may well have been on the council website about the plans too however the genuine kiwi homeowner like ourselves happily going about our lives is not going to be checking the council website for up and coming proposals. We have good faith this will be made public in a manner everyone would be aware of.

We appreciate there is a shortage of housing in the country however just deciding you can just go ahead and propose this style of housing in a town that is under immense growth is ludicrous and very underhanded. Where is the thought process when deciding you will propose this or allowing it to happen. We pay high rates in good faith to the council and feel this proposal unjustified. Yes, this is a government driven proposal and we have good faith in our council to see what this will do to our community and put up a fight on our behalf to stop this happening right here in Pokeno.

"SPEAK UP AND SAY NO - NOT IN OUR COMMUNITY OF POKENO"

Yours sincerely,

Wendy & Shane Harrod