



Central Hawke's Bay District Council
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Attention: Hearing Commissioners

Dear Commissioners

Ministry of Education – Proposed Central Hawke's Bay District Plan - Letter to be Tabled at Hearing 7: Energy, Infrastructure, Transport and Designations

The Ministry of Education (the Ministry) has lodged a submission on the Proposed Central Hawke's Bay District Plan (Plan) (submitter 73) and further submission (submitter FS11). The Ministry has chosen not to attend Hearing 7 for Energy, Infrastructure, Transport and Designations scheduled to commence Wednesday 14th December 2022 and requests that in lieu of attendance this letter be tabled for the Hearing Commissioners' consideration.

The relevant Officer's Reports for Hearing 6 of the Plan have been received. The Ministry's response to the recommendations in the S42A Officer's Reports on the Ministry's submission points are set out below.

S42A Report - Transport

Objectives and policies

The Ministry's submission and further submission points covered were to support the following transport objectives and policies as proposed:

- TRAN-O1 (S73.007 and FS11.003)
- TRAN-O2 (S73.008)
- TRAN-P6 (S73.009 and FS11.004)

The Ministry sought to retain the above objectives and policies to promote a safe, efficient and effective transport network, promotes activities that generate appropriate traffic volumes and encourages the use of alternative means of safe and active modes of transport.

The s42A Reporting Officer agrees with the Ministry for the above reasons.

Minimum car parking standards

The Ministry submission point was to delete minimum car parking standards for Educational Facilities:

- TRAN-S1 (S73.010)

The Ministry sought to delete these standards to align with the National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020 which requires Territorial Authorities to remove minimum car parking standards under Subpart 8 Section 3.38(1).

The S42A Officer recommends that deletion of the minimum car parking standards is rejected as the Central Hawkes Bay District does not currently contain an urban environment as defined within the National Policy Statement for Urban Development 2020, and therefore mandatory removal of minimum car parking requirements does not apply. Council's demographic projections indicate Central Hawke's Bay will not have

an urban population of 10,000 or more (required to meet definition of an 'urban environment' in the NPS-UD) within the next 30 years, which is well beyond the life of the Plan, and the NPS-UD is therefore highly unlikely to apply for the foreseeable future. Further to this, parking requirements for 'Educational Facilities' will often be assessed as part of either a notice of requirement or outline plan process as most school sites are designated.

S42A Report – Designations

The Ministry's submission and further submission points were to update designation details and boundaries:

- S73.040
- S73.041
- FS11.016

The Ministry sought these updates to provide accurate designation details to Plan users.

The S42A Officer recommends accepting the designation updates into the Plan.

The Ministry's position

The Ministry is supportive of the recommended retention of the above transport objectives and policies and designation amendments.

The Ministry is neutral on the retention of the minimum car parking standards for educational facilities in the Plan. The Ministry agrees that most school sites are designated and parking requirements will be assessed as part of either a notice of requirement or outline plan process.

Should you have any queries or seek clarification on the above, please contact me on the details below.

Yours sincerely



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