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**31** is a submission on the following proposed plan change to the Waipā District Plan

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**Could you gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission?** I could not

**Are you directly affected by an effect of the subject matter that - (a) adversely affects the environment; and (b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition?** I am not

**Do you wish to be heard (attend and speak at the Council hearing) in support of your submission?** I do not

**If others make a similar submission, will you consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing?** No

**Do you support the proposed change(s)?** I support in part

**The specific provisions of the plan change my submission relates to are (give details):**

Transportation

**My submission is**

The new collector road in this growth cell could replace Fairview Road as the main throughfare from Puniu Rd to Rewi St, this is a good thing as the speeds people travel down Fairview road are too high, and the new road can be designed so that vehicles travel at safer speeds. The intersection of Wallace Terrace, Teasdale St and Downes St would be a safety hazard if Fairview remained the main route and more traffic was coming through the intersection from Wallace Terrace.

The transportation assessment seems to assume that through traffic will remain on Fairview Road, but this is unlikely to be the case with the new road being flatter and more direct, and in fact should be discouraged by turning Downes St into a cul-de-sac once the road has been completed all the way through from Puniu to Rewi. This will have a beneficial effect on road safety overall in Te Awamutu.

If the road is not constructed through Centennial Park at the same time as the staged housing development as proposed in the transportation plan, and Wallace Terrace is used as a main exit from the plan area, then changes will likely need to be made to the Wallace/Teasdale intersection as currently drivers travelling through the intersection from Fairview to Downes often do not look left for traffic coming from Wallace, and more traffic coming from Wallace will increase the likelihood of crashes.

**I seek the following decision/s from Council**

The structure plan should include changes to the Wallace/Teasdale/Fairview/Downes Streets intersection, both at interim and final stages of development of the structure plan area, to ensure that it does not have any adverse affect on traffic safety in Te Awamutu, and also to take advantage of opportunities to improve traffic safety overall.

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