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

37 - Rider Park Structure Plan

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 oppose

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

Integration into the transport network is not appropriate or effective enough for the proposed growth.

My submission is

We have concerns about the huge increase in traffic the proposed development would create.

There needs to be a new bridge built over the river before developments of this size can be constructed in Leamington.

Developments should be focused on the Cambridge side of the bridge closer to Hamilton until a new bridge is constructed.

Any intersection onto Shakespeare will become a major issue with the increased traffic. It is already difficult to turn right out of most of these streets with the current traffic at most times of the day and especially peak rush hour times.

There is no major supermarket on this side of the bridge which forces the need to cross bridges for

these purposes.

The number of trucks on our roads (through Leamington) have been destroying the roads at an alarming rate and causing more traffic issues. With more traffic added to this issue, Leamington will further lose its quiet small town charm and we will instead be caught in constant road works and traffic jams.

You have only considered the developments on the traffic entering the main routes but not how it will impact on the surrounding residential areas and roads. It will stop movement out of our roads onto Shakespeare Street and increase risk as people may have to hasty decisions to move out onto the main street. We already see this happening now, it will only get worse if the proposed development goes ahead.

I seek the following decision/s from Council

We would like the whole proposal to be on hold until a new bridge is constructed over the Waikato river and the roading and infrastructure is ready to accommodate the proposed growth.

Attachments