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

Private Plan Change 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

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):

My submission relates to the following provisions of the Waipa District Plan:
 Objectives and policies relating to a safe and efficient transport network - including safe vehicle movements and parking.
 Objectives and policies protecting the amenity and safety of residents and the community.

My submission is

I oppose the proposed subdivision. Wordsworth Street (main connector road) already experiences safety issues due to the destination playground, which has no allocated parking. Visitors park on the grass verge, creating limited visibility for the drivers reversing onto the busy road. The use of the park increases during summer and winter months with sporting activities taking place. Street lighting along this road is inadequate, further reducing visibility during early morning and evening hours. While the Council recommends that visitors walk or cycle to the playground, in practice most families drive, and the assumption that all users will travel by foot or bike is unrealistic. The proposed subdivision will

increase traffic volume on this road, exacerbating existing safety hazards for drivers and children playing at the park. The speed of traffic is already a significant issue on this road. The installment of lights for traffic management will ease the movement of traffic on to Shakespeare street but does not adequately demonstrate how the surrounding roading network can safely accommodate additional traffic, nor does it address the combined effects of informal parking, limited visibility and poor street lighting. I consider these are significant adverse effects on road safety, amenity and the surrounding environment that have not been sufficiently mitigated. The traffic accident report that has been provided by Boffa Miskall is also incorrect - we have recordings on our home security cameras of two further accidents on Wordsworth Street directly outside our property that have not been taken in to account in their stats.

I seek the following decision/s from Council

I seek that the application for the proposed subdivision be declined, on the basis that it will exacerbate existing safety issues on the main connector road. The road already experiences limited visibility due to informal parking associated with the destination playground, inadequate street lighting and the busy nature of the connector road. The proposed subdivision will increase traffic volumes, further endangering drivers, pedestrians and children.

In the alternative, if the council is minded to grant consent, I request that no decision be made until further traffic and safety assessment is provided that specifically addresses:

- *Informal playground/roadside parking and associated visibility risks.
- *Street lighting adequacy.
- *Pedestrian and child safety,
- *Mitigation measures, including possible road and intersection upgrades to roads that join the connector road - before any dwellings are occupied.

Attachments