RMA Form 5

## Submission on publicly notified proposed district plan

Clause 6 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991

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To: Chief Executive, Hutt City Council

Via email to district.plan@huttcity.govt.nz.

- 1. This is a submission from Mark Manze on the Proposed Lower Hutt District Plan 2025.
- 2. My email address for service is mark\_manze@yahoo.com
- 3. I **could not** gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

- 4. The specific provisions of the proposal that my submission relates to, my submission on those provisions, and the decisions I seek are shown in the below table. I also seek all further, alternative, necessary, or consequential relief as may be necessary to fully achieve the relief sought in this submission.
- 5. I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission.
- 6. If others make a similar submission, I will not consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing.

## Introduction

- 7. Any changes need to be made with due consideration of environmental hazards. Recent events in this country and abroad have shown us the consequences of development being carried out in areas of high risk.
- 8.

## **Decisions Requested**

# Ch	apter	Provision	Position	Reasons	Relief sought
1	HRZ – High Density Residential Zone	Whole chapter	Oppose in part	Although I recognize the need to increase the availability of housing in and around Lower Hutt, this proposal includes classifying Melling as an HRZ area. One of the stated goals of this plan is "Controlling any actual or potential effects of the use, development, or protection of land, including for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating natural hazards". However, the council itself recognizes the Melling area to have the following natural hazards: It is high earthquake risk (there is a fault line running down the middle of Pharazyn Street), it is a high flood hazard area, and it has a liquefaction hazard. Increasing the density of housing in this hazardous area (including buildings up to six stories) will clearly increase the hazard risk to any additional residents. I do not believe the Melling area to be suitable as a high-density residential zone and should not be classified as such if the health and safety of residents is considered.	Melling is zoned as a low-density residential area.