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### **Submission on the Proposed Lower Hutt District Plan**

1. This is a submission by Vicki Hollywell and my whānau on the Proposed Lower Hutt District Plan 2025.
2. My email address for service is vicki@tekau.maori.nz
3. I could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.
4. The specific provisions of the proposal that our submission relates to, our submission on those provisions, and the decisions we seek are shown in the below table. We 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 this submission.
6. If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing.

### **Introduction**

7. I am a descendant of Honiana Te Puni and Wi Tako Ngatata, chief of Te Atiawa ki Te Whanganui a Tara. I am currently the General Manager to the Ahu Whenua Trusts, Wellington Tenth Trust and Palmerston North Māori Reserve Trust. I reside in Woburn and have lived in Lower Hutt for over 20 years. My husband and I have 3 sons and work locally. We have operated a building contracting business for over 15 years primarily within the region and our boys have attended school here.

### **Comment**

8. I support the inclusion of the Sites and Areas of Significance to Māori (SASM's) chapter in the proposed Lower Hutt District Plan 2025. The key issue with the current plan is

that it does not include all sites and areas of significance to Māori, and this limits the plan's ability to protect these sites.

9. The approach to categorise the sites into importance levels provides a workable platform for owners not to restrict them but to encourage awareness and consideration through potential land use and developments.
10. Inclusive of the SASM's in the District Plan is respectful to mana whenua and to the history of our city and Aotearoa.
11. We believe it is essential that the proposed District Plan identifies and protects sites and areas of significance to Māori, and we are pleased to see the Hutt City Council taking steps to acknowledge and safeguard these important places.

Nāku noa, nā



Vicki Hollywell



## Decisions Requested

Chapter: SASM – Sites and Areas of Significance to Māori			
Provision	Position	Reasons	Relief Sought
Whole Chapter	Support	<p>The sites and areas listed in SCHED6 have been identified with the guidance and direction of Mana Whenua. In addition to these sites, the chapter also recognises the significance of marae, waterways, and the harbour islands.</p> <p>The categories listed in SCHED6 provide an appropriate framework for determining the importance of these sites.</p> <p>We agree that the provisions of the chapter should apply to the use, development, and activities within the extent of the identified sites.</p> <p>We support the objectives, policies, rules, and standards proposed in the chapter. We believe they offer an appropriate level of recognition and protection for the SASMs, while still enabling land development and respecting the rights of landowners to develop their land as they wish.</p>	We recommend keeping the chapter as it is written.