

Submission on Hutt City Proposed District Plan

Clause 6 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991

To: Chief Executive, Hutt City Council Via email to district.plan@huttcity.govt.nz

1. This is a submission by Craig Thorn on the Proposed Lower Hutt District Plan 2025 ("PDP").
2. My contact phone number is [REDACTED] My email address for service is craig@craigthorn.co.nz
3. I cannot gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission. I am directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that: (a) Adversely affects the environment, and (b) Does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.
4. The specific provisions of the proposal that my submission relates to are any provisions that will or may apply to subdivision, development and land use at 30 Benmore Crescent.
5. I am concerned that the PDP does not include the most appropriate objectives, policies and rules / methods to manage the use, development, and protection of natural and physical resources in a way, or at a rate, that enables the existing Manor Park community to continue to provide for our social, economic, and cultural well-being and health and safety. More specifically, I seek that the PDP provisions be retained or amended as required to ensure that any subdivision, land use, and development at 30 Benmore Crescent occurs in a way that avoids adverse effects on the natural environment and the existing residential Manor Park community, including its people, property, the transport network and public spaces. I seek any further, alternative, necessary, or consequential relief as may be necessary to fully achieve the relief sought in this submission.
6. I wish to be heard in support of our submission.
7. If others make a similar submission, we will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing.
8. When you look at other waste transfer stations in New Zealand - none are in such close proximity to residential houses as this proposal. The proposal seems to be dismissive of the effect it will have on the residents in close proximity to this in Manor Park.
9. The recent example of the transfer station/recycling centre fire in Auckland supports that these are not safe to have around residential areas, not to mention the effects of polluted waterways should such an event happen. Wellington is well known for its Southerly winds so any such event will pollute Upper Hutt.
10. Wont there still be a need of a transfer station at Seaview, to drive from Eastbourne, Petone or Lower Hutt to Manor Park, is practically the same as driving to the dump at Silverstream, I can see the sense of a transfer station at Seaview, but I cannot see any sense of moving the transfer station so close to its final destination. Green miles, also seems to add burden to the environment, less environmental savings by having the transfer station at Seaview.