



Peter Reaburn Consultant Planner for Auckland Council

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Dear Peter,

I have been asked to respond to the request that you have made to Golding Meadows Development Ltd. (GMDL) and the Auckland Trotting Club (ATC) in respect of consultation with Counties Racing Club over the proposed Plan Change that have been submitted by cthese parties and others to the Auckland Council. See extract from your letter below.

P3	Consultation	Please clarify whether consultation has been undertaken with the following parties: • landowners adjoining or in the vicinity of the PPC area; • Waikato District Council • The Counties Racing Club Incorporated • Ministry of Education	While there is no requirement under Part 2 of the First Schedule to the RMA for a private plan change applicant to undertake any consultation prior to making a private plan change request, it is nevertheless good practice in order to obtain an understanding of effects on potentially interested parties in the vicinity of the PPC area.
P4	Consultation	Please provide an update on any responses received from Ngāti Te Ata Waiohua and Waikato -Ţanui.	Responses from mana whenua are best known and understood at the earliest possible stage in the process and these parties have only recently been advised of the PPC.

As you may now be aware, Counties Racing Club (CRC) has merged with the Auckland Racing Club to form Auckland Thoroughbred Racing Inc (ATR), effective 1 August 2021. I am now writing as a director on behalf of that new amalgamated club.

On the 9th of August 2021 just after the merger was announced by both clubs a meeting was held at the Counties Racing Club premises at Pukekohe at which I was present along with Mr. Mark Chitty (Past President of the Counties Racing Club and now a Director of ATR) and Mr. John Crawford (Past Vice President of the CRC and now a director of the ATR).

Also present at the meeting was Mr. Rod Croon, President of the Auckland Trotting Club (ATC) and Mr. Graham Harford (Director and legal Counsel to the ATC). The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Proposed Plan Change referred to above.

At the meeting also was Sir William Birch who is acting as a consultant for both parties (ATR and ATC) and he outlined the status of the Plan Change application and that you had requested in your letter to the applicants, clarification as to whether consultation had been held with the CRC. Sir William was able to respond to various questions about the details of the application and the parties confirmed that there existed a level of common interest between the two clubs as the CRC itself was in the process of seeking Plan Change consents from the Council, and ATR is continuing with those processes, in respect of land that is currently surplus to ATR's needs.

I am able to respond therefore as a director of ATR and project manager for the development currently being undertaken of the Pukekohe landholdings of ATR, that ATR is supportive of the development proposed by the ATC and GMDL.

I should also mention that following this meeting I organised a briefing by ATR directors for Mr. Bill Cashmore, Deputy Mayor and Mr. Andy Baker, Chairman of the Pukekohe Local

Area Board and discussed the ATR's medium and long term vision for the development of its Pukekohe landholdings.

If you are in need of further information please contact me at <u>g.vazey@xtra.co.nz</u>, phone 021 523 240. If I am not available, please contact Paul Wilcox, CEO of ATR, on 021 898 175.

Signed by.

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