

BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT  
I MUA TE KOOTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA  
AT AUCKLAND

ENV-2025-AKL-000108

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act  
1991 (**RMA**)

AND

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under clauses 14(1) and  
29 of Schedule 1 of the RMA

BETWEEN GLADSTONE PRIMARY SCHOOL  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Appellant

AND AUCKLAND COUNCIL  
Respondent

AND MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN  
DEVELOPMENT  
Applicant

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NOTICE OF WAIOHUA-TĀMAKI RŌPŪ'S INTENT TO BECOME A PARTY TO THE PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT  
TO SECTION 274 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

DATED 4 JUNE 2025

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To The Registrar  
Environment Court  
Auckland

1. Waiohū-Tāmaki Rōpū wishes to be a party to the appeal by Gladstone Primary School Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 274(1)(e) of the RMA against the decision of Auckland Council dated 18 March 2025 (notice of decision dated 27 March 2025) on Plan Change 94: Wairaka Precinct to the Auckland Unitary Plan (Operative in Part) (**PC94**) (**Appeal**). The Appeal has been given the Environment Court reference ENV-2025-AKL-000108.
2. The Waiohū Tāmaki Rōpū is a confederation of Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki, Ngāti Tamaoho, Ngāti Te Ata, Te Ākitai Waiohū, Te Kawerau ā Maki who are collaborating with the Crown over the development of Treaty Settlement land within the Te Auaunga Precinct (currently called Wairaka Precinct) for housing and associated activities.
3. Waiohū-Tāmaki Rōpū made a submission on PC94 (Council reference # 67) and note that the individual iwi entities comprised within the Waiohū-Tāmaki Rōpū also made submissions.
4. Waiohū-Tāmaki Rōpū notes that it is generally supportive of the PC94 decision and is interested in all of the proceedings given the breadth of the Appeal. Waiohū-Tāmaki Rōpū opposes the relief sought in the Appeal.
5. Waiohū-Tāmaki Rōpū is not a trade competitor for the purposes of Section 308CA of the RMA.

## Reasons

6. Waiohū-Tāmaki Rōpū opposes the relief sought in the Appeal. In general terms, it considers that the Appeal:
  - (a) is not the most appropriate way to achieve the purpose of the RMA
  - (b) fails to promote the sustainable management of natural and physical resources and is otherwise inconsistent with Part 2 of the RMA
  - (c) will not give effect to the objectives and policies of the National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020 or the Auckland Regional Policy Statement

- (d) will not contribute to well-functioning urban environments
- (e) is not the most efficient or effective method to achieve the purpose of the RMA, not the objectives and policies of the Unitary Plan particularly when having regard to the provisions and their efficiency and effectiveness
- (f) will risk limiting the supply of housing and compromising the city's ability to cater for housing demand; and
- (g) is based on insufficient information and analysis.

### Mediation

7. Waiohū-Tāmaki Rōpū agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

**Dated** this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025.



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Waiohū-Tāmaki Rōpū

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