

BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT

ENV-2016-AKL-000199

IN THE MATTER of the Local Government (Auckland Transitional Provisions) Act 2010
(**LGATPA**) and the Resource Management Act 1991 (**RMA**)

AND

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under section 156 of the LGATPA against a decision of the
Auckland Council on a recommendation of the Auckland Unitary Plan
Independent Hearings Panel (**Hearings Panel**) on the proposed Auckland
Unitary Plan (**the Unitary Plan**)

BETWEEN **JOHN SELF, ADRIANA SELF and ROGER CLARK** as Trustees of **SELF FAMILY
TRUST**

Appellants

AND

AUCKLAND COUNCIL

Respondent

**NOTICE OF THE AUCKLAND VOLCANIC CONES SOCIETY INCORPORATED'S WISH TO BECOME A PARTY
TO PROCEEDINGS**

6 October 2016

TO: The Registrar
Environment Court
AUCKLAND

1. The **AUCKLAND VOLCANIC CONES SOCIETY INCORPORATED** (“**AVCS**”) gives notice under section 274 of the Resource Management Act 1991 (“**RMA**”) that it wishes to be a party to the appeal dated 15 September 2016 by John Self, Adriana Self and Roger Clark as Trustees of Self Family Trust (“**Appellant**”) against Auckland Council’s (“**Council**”) decision on a recommendation of the Hearings Panel on the Unitary Plan.
2. AVCS is a person who has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest that the general public has. AVCS is a not-for-profit environmental advocacy group, with a strong interest in the volcanic features and their associated values in the Auckland region. AVCS was established in 1999 and has been active in specific resource consent applications on the volcanic cones as well as submitting to various plan changes and revisions of the Auckland Regional Policy Statement.
3. AVCS made a submission and further submission on the Unitary Plan.
4. AVCS is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C of the RMA.
5. AVCS is interested in all parts of the proceedings.
6. AVCS is interested in all matters covered by this appeal, particularly any provisions concerning Crater Hill and its environs, including Pukaki volcano.
7. AVCS opposes the relief sought for the following reasons:

This part of Auckland, the subject of the appeal, has high volcanic heritage value. Crater Hill is an outstanding natural feature and is of regional significance. Its relative intactness means it has exceptional geological value for the Auckland volcanic field. Being close to the international airport it also has exceptional aerial landscape value. In general, the feature is a prime example of all the values generally associated with Auckland’s volcanic features, i.e. geological, archaeological, landscape, scientific, educational, iwi, etc.

8. AVCS agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution.

DATED at Auckland this 6th day of October 2016

Signed for and on behalf of the **AUCKLAND VOLCANIC CONES SOCIETY INCORPORATED** by its duly authorised agent

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