

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT  
AT AUCKLAND**

**ENV-2016-AKL-000205**

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

**A N D**

**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 Combined Plan ("**Unitary Plan**")

**BETWEEN** **Valerie Liddle**

Appellant

**A N D** **Auckland Council**

Respondent

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**NOTICE OF WISH TO BE PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS UNDER  
SECTION 274 OF RMA**

**THE WAITAKERE RANGES PROTECTION SOCIETY INCORPORATED**

Re: Topic 075 – Waitakere Ranges

Dated this *3rd* day of *October* 2016

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**Notice of wish to be party to proceedings under section 274 RMA by The Waitakere Ranges Protection Society Incorporated**

1. The Waitakere Ranges Protection Society Incorporated (“**WRPS**”), wishes to be a party to the Notice of Appeal ENV-2016-AKL-000205 dated 14 September 2016 by Valerie Liddle to the Environment Court (“**the Appeal**”) against the decision of the Auckland Council on the Auckland Combined (Unitary) Plan (“**the Unitary Plan**”) that concerns Topic 075 – Waitakere Ranges.
2. WRPS made submissions about the subject matter of the proceedings in that it lodged submissions on the Unitary Plan regarding subdivision and development within the Waitakere Ranges and in particular sought to constrain subdivision to an extent at least consistent with the Waitakere Section of the Operative Auckland Council District Plan. The Appeal is contrary to the relief sought in WRPS’s submissions because it seeks an increase in the intensity of subdivision and development anticipated in the Waitakere Ranges. While the Appeal appears to be focused on a particular property, the relief sought is expressed in general terms.
3. WRPS is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.
4. WRPS is interested in and opposes the relief sought in the Appeal.
5. The relief sought in the Appeal is inappropriate in terms of section 32 of the RMA and is inconsistent with the purpose, principles and provisions of the RMA. Amending the Unitary Plan as sought in the Appeal is unnecessary and counter-productive and will compromise the sustainable management of resources.
6. WRPS agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

**Signed for and on behalf of The Waitakere Ranges Protection Society Incorporated by its solicitors and duly authorised agents Ellis Gould:**



**D A Allan**

**Date:** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2016

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