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**DISTRICT PLAN**

Hamilton City Council

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Tim Manukau Manager - Environment Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui Inc
Signature of submitter:
Date: 17/12/2015
(or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter)



**SUBMISSION: RUAKURA VARIATION: HAMILTON CITY COUNCIL  
PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN**

**To: HAMILTON CITY COUNCIL**

This Submission is from:

**Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui Incorporated**

## **Introduction**

1. Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui Incorporated supports the Ruakura Variation as it integrates the Board of Inquiry decision into Hamilton City Council's District Plan review as part of a coordinated, cooperative approach to natural resource management and environmental management, restoration and care within the Waikato-Tainui rohe.
2. To this end Waikato-Tainui in the exercise of its mana whakahaere over its rohe request that Hamilton City Council (HCC) take account of the following priorities when considering the Ruakura Variation:
  - That it supports Waikato-Tainui's development initiatives at Ruakura
  - That it recognises and expands where necessary the key outcomes of Board of Inquiry decision on the Plan Change
  - That it provides for the protection and preservation of the health and wellbeing of the natural, physical, social and cultural environments for the use and benefit of future generations;
  - That it provides for the direct involvement of Waikato-Tainui and the Tangata Whenua Working Group in decision-making processes;
  - That it recognises the Crown's Treaty obligations in accordance with Section 8 of the Resource Management Act 1991 to act in 'good faith' with its Treaty Partner.
3. Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui Incorporated would like to acknowledge the assessment by Hamilton City Council of the Ruakura Variation against the Waikato-Tainui Environmental Plan – Te Tumu, Tai Paru, Tai Ao. Waikato-Tainui strongly support this assessment being undertaken and are in general agreement with this assessment.

## **Waikato-Tainui Iwi**

4. There are 64,572 registered tribal members that affiliate to Waikato-Tainui.
5. At the heart of Waikato-Tainui is Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui Incorporated the representative body which is made up of 204 elected members. Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui Incorporated is the constitutionally mandated and legal iwi Authority for 33 Hapū and 68 Marae. Each of the 68 voting Marae elects three representatives to Te Kauhanganui. Te Kauhanganui's objectives are set out in its Rules. Its objectives include to:
  - Protect, advance, develop and unify the interests of the Waikato- Tainui iwi; and
  - Achieve settlement of Waikato-Tainui's outstanding claims.
6. Tainui Group Holdings Ltd was formed in 1998 to manage the commercial assets of Waikato-Tainui. Its strategy is to identify and grow high quality assets, and generate income from them. It distributes funds each year for the benefit of the iwi. There is a clear separation between Te Kauhanganui as the governing body and Tainui Group Holdings Limited as the commercial arm.
7. A Tangata Whenua Working Group made up of representatives of Ngati Wairere, Ngati Mahanga, Ngati Koroki-Kahukura and Ngati Haua has been established to ensure representation of local marae and hapu is acknowledged and provided for during the course of this project.

**The Ruakura Variation to the Proposed District Plan (PDP)**

8. Waikato-Tainui were submitters to the Proposed District Plan and were directly involved in the Board of Inquiry hearing both through their commercial arm Tainui Group Holdings Limited and through the presentation of evidence from the Honourable Koro Wetere and Parekawhia McLean on behalf of Waikato Tainui Te Kauhanganui Incorporated.
9. Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui strongly support the notified Ruakura Variation, subject to some minor changes and improvements as it is a means to fully realise the fruits of the Te Tiriti o Waitangi settlement reached with the Crown. Waikato-Tainui seeks to maximise their resource base so as to achieve the best possible outcomes of the settlement.
10. The following tabulations provide specific recommendations for review or amendment. Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui seeks the decisions set out in the table and any consequential or alternative decision that addresses the reasons set out in the submission. We welcome the opportunity for further discussions in relation to the recommendations.

The specific provision (s) of the proposal that my submission relates to is:	Support, Oppose or Support in part	My submission is:	I seek the following decision from the local authority:
Chapter 3.7 Ruakura			
3.7 Ruakura	Support	The alterations to the Ruakura Structure Plan chapter are strongly supported, subject to any changes or additions requested by Tainui Group Holdings Limited and any consequential amendments as the provisions ensure consistency with the Board of Inquiry decision and sound resource management practice.	Incorporate this part of the Ruakura Variation into the District Plan.
Policy 3.7.2.5e	Support	Retain policy 3.7.2.5e <i>“retain and re-establish viable populations of the black mudfish, longfin eel, shortfin eel, and indigenous lizards within the Ruakura Structure Plan, by the establishment and management of linear wetlands and riparian vegetation,”</i> as the policy provides for the protection and preservation of the health and wellbeing of the natural, physical, environments for the use and benefit of future generations.	Policy 3.7.2.5e be retained
Policy 3.7.2.5f	Support	Retain policy 3.7.5f <i>“the Land Development Plan will include methods to ensure maintenance or enhancement of indigenous biodiversity values and mitigation of adverse effects on indigenous biodiversity.”</i> as the policy provides for the protection and preservation of the health and wellbeing of the natural, physical, environments for the use and benefit of future generations.	Policy 3.7.2.5f be retained

Chapter 4 Residential Zones			
4 Residential Zones	Support	Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui supports the amendments to this chapter subject to any changes, additions and consequential amendments requested by Tainui Group Holdings Limited as well as the changes detailed below as the provisions ensure consistency with the Board of Inquiry decision and sound resource management practice.	Incorporate this part of the Ruakura Variation into the District Plan.
4.5.4 Activity Status Table – Medium-Density Residential Zone	Support in part	4.5.3(i) The inclusion of Papakainga is supported however this activity should be considered consistently with any other residential activity and be a restricted discretionary rather than discretionary activity.	The following amendment is sought; 4.5.4 f) should be a restricted discretionary activity.
4.11 Restricted Discretionary Activities Matters of Discretion and Assessment Criteria	Oppose	Assessment Criteria for Papakainga are required as this should be a restricted discretionary activity.	Amend table 4.11 to provide for new assessment criteria for Papakainga.
Chapter 8 Knowledge Zone			
Chapter 8	Support	Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui supports the amendments to this chapter, subject to any changes or additions requested by Tainui Group Holdings Limited and any consequential amendments as the provisions ensure consistency with the Board of Inquiry decision and sound resource management practice.	Incorporate this part of the Ruakura Variation into the District Plan.
Chapter 10 Ruakura Logistics Zone			
Chapter 10	Support	Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui supports the amendments to this chapter, subject to any changes or additions requested by Tainui Group Holdings Limited and any consequential amendments as the provisions ensure consistency with the Board of Inquiry decision and sound resource management practice.	Incorporate this part of the Ruakura Variation into the District Plan.
Chapter 11 Industrial Park Zone			
11 Ruakura Industrial Park Zone	Support	Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui supports the amendments to this chapter, subject to any changes or additions requested by Tainui Group Holdings Limited and any consequential amendments as the provisions ensure consistency with the Board of Inquiry decision and sound resource management practice.	Incorporate this part of the Ruakura Variation into the District Plan.
Chapter 15 Open Space Zone			
15 Open Space Zone	Support	Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui supports the amendments to this chapter, subject to any changes or additions requested by Tainui Group Holdings Limited and any consequential amendments as the provisions ensure consistency with the Board of Inquiry decision and sound resource management practice.	Incorporate this part of the Ruakura Variation into the District Plan.

**DATED** this 17th day of December 2015



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