

**Before a Board of Inquiry
Northern Corridor Improvements Project**

Under the Resource Management Act 1991 ('the Act')

In the matter of a Board of Inquiry appointed under section 149J of the Act to consider notices of requirement for designations and resource consent applications by the New Zealand Transport Agency for the Northern Corridor Improvements Project

**Supplementary Statement of evidence of Campbell James McGregor
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STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE OF CAMPBELL JAMES MCGREGOR FOR THE NEW ZEALAND TRANSPORT AGENCY

1 Qualifications and experience

- 1.1 My full name is Campbell James McGregor.
- 1.2 I hold a Bachelor of Surveying from University of Otago, and Master of Engineering Studies (Honours) and Post Graduate Diploma in Business from Auckland University. I am a Chartered Professional Engineer and a full member of the Institution of Professional Engineers New Zealand.
- 1.3 I have worked in New Zealand, Australia and the United Kingdom over the past 14 years within various engineering consultancies, providing infrastructure planning and design advice for residential, commercial, and industrial developments as well as large scale infrastructure projects. I currently lead Aurecon's Land Infrastructure team in Auckland.
- 1.4 My supplementary evidence relates to the relocation of the North Harbour Hockey facility ('**NHH Project**') from its current site within Rosedale Park, the site selection process in choosing the preferred relocation option and the current status of the relocation workstream.
- 1.5 I have been involved in the NHH Project since May 2016 in the role of Design Manager. I was involved in the final site option selection process in determining the preferred relocation site, and have continued to be involved through the preparation of resource consent applications and the detailed design solutions currently in development.
- 1.6 I have also been involved in the Rosedale Pony Club and Harbour BMX relocation projects in the same role.

2 Code of conduct

- 2.1 While these applications are not before the Environment Court, I have read and am familiar with the Code of Conduct for Expert Witnesses in the current Environment Court Practice Note (2014). I have complied with the Code in the preparation of this evidence, and will follow it when presenting

evidence at the hearing. I also confirm that the matters addressed in this statement of evidence are within my area of expertise, except where I rely on the opinion or evidence of other witnesses. I have not omitted to consider material facts known to me that might alter or detract from the opinions I express.

3 Site Selection Process

- 3.1 Options assessments for the relocation of NHH commenced in early 2015. A stakeholder working group comprising the Transport Agency, Watercare, Auckland Council, Harbour Hockey Charitable Trust, and North Harbour Hockey ('Working Group') was formed around the same time. Watercare was involved in the process because some of the relocation options involved land owned by it as part of the Rosedale Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- 3.2 Aurecon was engaged by the Transport Agency on the wider NCI Project in April 2016, with my involvement in relation to the NHH Project starting from May 2016.
- 3.3 An evaluation options report dated May 2016¹ was prepared by Beca prior to my involvement. This report documented the assessment of 11 site options.
- 3.4 The viable options were then reduced to three for further evaluation. These three options were:
 - a The "Base Case" which reused part of the existing site (i.e. the part not required for the NCI Project), and acquired commercial land to the south. This option, although viable in principle, would have required the temporary relocation of all hockey operations while the site was being reconfigured and under construction.
 - b "Rosedale South", which utilised the existing facility but provided additional facilities on vacant land adjacent to Paul Matthews Road.

¹ Northern Corridor Improvement – Evaluation of Options for Relocating North Harbour Hockey Facilities, dated May 2016, prepared by Beca Ltd.

HHCT was not in support of this option because it involved a split facility.

- c The “Pond 2” site, which utilised vacant Watercare land located to the south of Watercare treatment Pond 2, east of the SH1 motorway corridor. This option had geotechnical issues and was also significantly more expensive than the other options.
- 3.5 The ‘Rosedale West’ site (which is now the proposed site for the NHH Project) was one of the initial 11 options but dismissed at the initial screening stage in the Beca Report, on the basis of perceived timing and consenting risks. Aurecon subsequently revised and revisited the Rosedale West option and reassessed all four options. It concluded that the most suitable option was the Rosedale West site.

4 Other affected parties

- 4.1 As a result of the Rosedale West decision two further parties who currently occupy the Rosedale West site are affected by the works; Rosedale Pony Club and North Harbour BMX. I have been working alongside Council with representatives of both clubs since September 2016.
- 4.2 The solution Council and NZTA are currently working with is to relocate the North Harbour BMX to Hooton Reserve on Oteha Valley Road.
- 4.3 The current proposal for Rosedale Pony Club is to relocate to Wainoni Park. Wainoni Park is already home to other equestrian bodies, namely Greenhithe Pony Club and Greenhithe Riding for the Disabled. This was seen by Council as an opportunity to consolidate the pony clubs in the area to a single facility. The Local Board passed a resolution on May 18 2017 to notify the leases related to the Hockey and other land leases.

5 Current Status

- 5.1 Since concluding Rosedale West was the preferred option in September 2016 works have proceeded to gain the necessary consents and approvals to allow the relocation to occur in a timely manner.

- 5.2 A resource consent was lodged for the Hockey development in December 2016 and was notified on a limited basis in late January. A hearing was held in May and a decision recently granted on 11 July 2017.
- 5.3 Detailed design on the hockey solution has proceeded and a building consent for the new clubroom structure has been lodged. A further building consent and Engineering Approval application for the wider civil works (retaining walls, bridge structure and drainage) is programmed to be lodged by the end of July.
- 5.4 A resource consent was lodged on 8 May 2017 for the new Pony Club facilities to be constructed at Wainoni Park. This is currently on hold due to changes in the scope of the scheme but we hope to have updated information lodged early next month.
- 5.5 A resource consent was lodged for the BMX club at Hooton Reserve on 13 July 2017.
- 5.6 As noted above, approval from the Local Board to notify the relevant leases has been granted. The public notification notice was issued yesterday 18 July 2017. If required, a hearing will be held in relation to the leases and a recommendation then provided to the Local Board for action. Based on the current timing it is anticipated a paper will go back to the Local Board in October or November this year. Landowner approvals will be sought as part of the same Local Board paper.



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