

Comment on the Waitohi Picton Ferry Precinct Redevelopment Fast Track Application

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1. Contact Details

Please ensure that you have authority to comment on the application on behalf of those named on this form.

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2. *We will email you draft conditions of consent for your comment about this application

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3. Please provide your comments on the Waitohi Picton Ferry Precinct Redevelopment Application

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This submission is on behalf of my partner Peter Rivers and myself. We are the owners of the property at [REDACTED] Picton, which is adjacent to the land involved in the project and therefore directly affected by it.

Our submission is concerned with the cultural, historical and environmental values of Waitohi Stream. We make four points:

1. Waitohi Stream has significant historical and cultural values, and the mauri and mana of the stream must be preserved and taken into consideration in planning the retaining wall and any resulting changes to water flow. We believe local iwi should be involved in any decisions around the stream.
2. Our concerns are for the health of the awa, the fish stocks in it and the wildlife depending on it. The stream is home to the native longfin eel, which is a protected species, and also to smaller silver and grey eels. On a single evening In January 2021 we counted seven large longfin eels in the stream behind our property. We have also seen whitebait in the stream and we believe it should be kept as a safe and healthy habitat for these species.
3. We are aware of welcome swallows nesting annually in the bank under the railway lines and kingfishers, shags, paradise and mallard ducks using the stream, and we ask that the proposed retaining wall should have places for birds to nest and rest. It should also have recesses at or below the water line for the eels to frequent as this is the shady side of the stream where they normally hide.
4. We understand from the information provided that the stream will not be covered and that there is no plan to interfere with the land and vegetation on the Market Street side of the stream. We would expect to be informed and consulted regarding any variation to the plan.