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Memorandum to the Panel

Just to clear up any confusion after the hearing this morning over submission #152 (Redai et al), our intention with our submission was never to object to their submission, merely to safeguard our business.

To this end, I talked to James in Council's planning department over a month ago to state this and he was going to onpass that information to the QLDC 'policy team'.

Our position is and has always been that we do not object to this or any other submission on District Plan rezoning (I believe that there is another Riverbank Road submission that Council thinks we object to - this is not the case) as long as we can continue to operate as our business currently exists.

My initial discussions with Louise and Ryan of the QLDC planning department pre District Plan submission by ourselves indicated that there was sufficient change in the proposed District Plan that we would have to submit just in case Rural/Rural General/Rural Lifestyle rules changed in the review.

In conclusion, as long as Aitken's Folly can continue to operate as is under the new DP rules and rezoning, then I would like to confirm that we do not oppose the proposed rezoning sought by Jackie Redai and Others (Submitter #152), or any other rezoning on Riverbank Rd and wish to formally withdraw our further submission (FS#1136) as it relates to submission #152 and other Riverbank Road rezoning.

I apologise for any confusion caused, maybe our intention was lost in the legalese of the submission.

Regards

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