

# Porirua's Proposed District Plan 2020

## Submission on Porirua's Proposed District Plan

To - Environment and City Planning Team

Date received 11/11/2020

Submission Reference Number #37

Wishes to be heard? Yes

Is willing to present a joint case? Yes

Could gain an advantage in trade competition in making this submission? N/A

Directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission? N/A

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## Submission points

### Point 37.1

#### Support / Support in part / Oppose

Amend

**Section:** SCHED7 - Significant Natural Areas

**Sub-section:** SCHED7 - Significant Natural Areas

#### Provision

SNA015 Haunui Bush

#### Site Summary

A mature kanuka stand on a gully rising from Pukerua Bay, naturally succeeding towards kohekohe-dominated, coastal-broadleaved forest, with a canopy currently comprised of kanuka (could be *Kunzea amathicola*; Threatened-Nationally Vulnerable), ngaio, kohekohe, karaka, mahoe, five-finger, taupata, karamu, kapuka, hinau, kohuhu, lancewood, various rata vines (all Threatened-Nationally Vulnerable), and wharangi, and a prolific indigenous understory. This site also includes areas of kanuka-broadleaved shrubland, and toetoe-*Carex geminata* marsh in the incised valley bottom, which also includes wharariki, manuka (*Leptospermum scoparium*; At Risk-Declining), taupata, toetoe, rautahi and giant umbrella sedge. Large pines and pohutukawa fringe many of the upper parts of the unit. Probably contains habitat for scarce or threatened reptile species, and supports the At Risk-Recovering North Island kaka (*Nestor meridionalis septentrionalis*), and bush falcon (*Falco novaeseelandiae ferox*); and bellbird (*Anthornis melanura melanura*; regionally scarce). Includes indigenous vegetation on Chronically Threatened land environments. Urban plant pest issues.

**Relevant values under Policy 23 of RPS**

- Representativeness (RPS23A)
- Rarity (RPS23B)
- Diversity (RPS23C)
- Ecological context (RPS23D)

## Submission

Some of the area mapped by the SNA is not appropriate, overstated or does not warrant protection.

I am in the process of designing my family home for this site. Some of the area mapped as SNA is within the section of land we require for access and building. This area largely contains pests such as Wattle trees and Cape ivy.

My plan is to manage these pests and replace them with natives appropriate to the area around the future house. This will support the SNA plan, which I am generally in favor of.

I would like to request an onsite visit for a reassessment.

### **Relief sought**

I would like the Council to reduce the SNA mapped within my section as shown in the following attachment.

### **Attachments**

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