

**Before the Hearings Panel
At Porirua City Council**

Under Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991

In the matter of the Proposed Porirua District Plan

Between **Various**

Submitters

And **Porirua City Council**

Respondent

**Addendum to Council reply on Definitions and Definitions Nesting Tables –
Definition of Puna Reo - Michael David Rachlin on behalf of Porirua City
Council**

Date: 20th October 2021

INTRODUCTION:

1 My full name is Michael David Rachlin. I am employed as a Principal Policy Planner for Porirua City Council.

2 I have prepared this Addendum to the Council reply on behalf of the Porirua City Council (**Council**) in respect of matters raised through Hearing Stream 1.

3 Specifically, this statement of evidence relates to providing a definition for Puna Reo.

4 I am authorised to provide this evidence on behalf of the Council.

QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE AND CODE OF CONDUCT

5 Appendix C of my section 42A report sets out my qualifications and experience.

6 I confirm that I am continuing to abide by the Code of Conduct for Expert Witnesses set out in the Environment Court's Practice Note 2014.

SCOPE OF REPLY

7 This reply is an addendum to the Council Right of Reply on definitions and definitions nesting tables, which identified that Council was in discussion with Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira to provide a definition for Puna Reo. A definition is now available.

8 Appendix 1 has recommended amendments to PDP provisions, with updated recommendations differentiated from those made in Appendix A of the s42A report.

9 No additional changes to recommended responses to submissions and further submissions are necessary to Appendix 3 of the Council Right of Reply.

10 For ease of reference, I have shown any changes proposed through this right of reply as follows:

s42A Report	deletions / <u>insertions</u>
Right of Reply version	deletions / <u>insertions</u>

Answers to questions posed by the Panel

11 **Definition of childcare services:** The Hearing Panel requested a response to whether a definition of Puna Reo should be defined, given the mandatory direction in the National Planning Standards that Te Reo Māori terms used in rules must be defined or translated in English in the Definitions chapter¹.

12 In the Council Right of Reply I agreed that a definition was required and that I was in discussion directly with Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira regarding this matter. Following these discussions, the following definition of Puna Reo has been recommended:

Puna Reo means an early learning centre that promotes and encourages the growth of Te Reo Māori me ōna Tikanga Māori for mokopuna, tamariki between the ages of 0-6. The curriculum delivered is Ngāti Toatanga with an Ao Māori lens and teaching spaces are Rumaki Reo (100% Immersion Reo Māori).

¹ Paragraph 2, Part 14, National Planning Standards

- 13 I would recommend that this definition be added to the Glossary in the Plan.

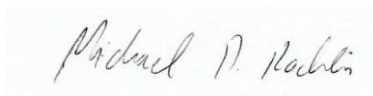
Recommended Change

Glossary

<u>Puna Reo</u>	<u>means an early learning centre that promotes and encourages the growth of Te Reo Māori me ōna Tikanga Māori for mokopuna, tamariki between the ages of 0-6. The curriculum delivered is Ngāti Toatanga with an Ao Māori lens and teaching spaces are Rumaki Reo (100% Immersion Reo Māori).</u>
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- 14 I have not undertaken a s32AA evaluation of this addition since the definition is a mandatory requirement from the National Planning Standards.

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Appendix 1 – Recommended amendments to PDP provisions

In order to distinguish between the recommendations made in the s42A report and the recommendations that arise from this report:

- s42A recommendations are shown in red text (with underline and ~~strike out~~ as appropriate); and
- Recommendations from this report in response to evidence are shown in blue text (with underline and ~~strike-out~~ as appropriate).

Glossary

Puna Reo

means an early learning centre that promotes and encourages the growth of Te Reo Māori me ōna Tikanga Māori for mokopuna, tamariki between the ages of 0-6. The curriculum delivered is Ngāti Toatanga with an Ao Māori lens and teaching spaces are Rumaki Reo (100% Immersion Reo Māori).