



17 January 2022

Attention: Hearing Commissioners

Porirua City Council
PO Box 50218 2025
Porirua 5240

Ministry of Education Te Tāhuhu o Te Mātauranga (submitter 134) Hearing Letter

Proposed Porirua District Plan: Hearing Stream 4 – Strategic Objectives, Infrastructure, Noise, Transport

Dear Commissioners,

The Ministry of Education (“the Ministry”) lodged a submission on the Proposed Porirua District Plan (PDP). Among other topics, the Ministry’s submission addressed Strategic Objectives, Infrastructure, Noise and Transport which are covered in Hearing Stream 4.

The Ministry has received the Officer’s Section 42a reports for Hearing Stream 4 – Strategic Objectives, Infrastructure, Noise and Transport and overall supports the Officer’s recommendations on its submission points. The Ministry therefore does not wish to attend the hearing scheduled to commence on Tuesday 8 February 2022 and requests that this letter be tabled to confirm the Ministry’s position and for the Hearing Panel’s consideration in lieu of attendance.

Of relevance to the Ministry’s submission, the following has been noted from Officer’s reports:

Hearing topic	Submission point	The Officer’s recommendation	The Ministry’s response
Strategic Objectives	Sub. Ref: 134.10 FC-O3 – Existing activities	Accept in part	The Ministry supports the Officer’s recommendation and considers the amendments made in response to other submissions to be acceptable.
Infrastructure	Sub. Ref: 134.9 FC-O1 – Infrastructure	Reject	The Ministry considers the Officer’s recommendation to be acceptable. The Ministry sought to include and recognise ‘social infrastructure’ under objective FC-O1. The Officer notes that social infrastructure is acknowledged under objectives HO-O2 and UFD-O3. The Ministry supports objectives HO-O2 and UFD-O3 which ensures that higher density housing shall have access to social infrastructure and that urban areas are connected, accessible and safe and support the community’s wellbeing.
Noise	Sub. Ref: 134.5 (Definitions) Noise sensitive activity	Accept in part	The Ministry supports the Officer’s recommendation and considers the amendments made in response to other submissions to be acceptable.
Transport	Sub. Ref: 134.13	Accept in part	The Ministry supports the Officer’s recommendation to include ‘intermediate’ as requested in it’s submission. Additionally,

	TR-Table 7 - Trip generation thresholds		Ministry considers the amendments made in response to other submissions to be acceptable.
Transport	Sub. Ref: 134.11 TR-P1 - High trip generating use and development	Accept	The Ministry supports the Officer's recommendation to retain TR-P1 as proposed.
Transport	Sub. Ref: 134.12 TR-R5 – Trip generation	Accept in part	The Ministry supports the Officer's recommendation to retain TR-R5 as proposed with corrections to some minor errors.
Transport	Sub. Ref: 134.14 TR-Table 6 - Minimum number of on-site bicycle parking spaces	Accept in part	The Ministry supports the Officer's recommendation and considers the amendments made in response to other submissions to be acceptable.

Should you require any further clarification on this matter please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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