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## **Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency submission on KCDC Plan changes 1D, F, K & L**

Tēnā koe,

Thank you for seeking Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency (Waka Kotahi) feedback for proposed plan changes 1D, 1F, 1K and 1L. This submission provides the position of Waka Kotahi in relation to all four plan changes (being 1D, F, K, & L).

### **Introductory Comments:**

Waka Kotahi wishes to provide its position on the minor changes sought in the four plan changes. While the changes are small, they still have the potential to affect the ability of Waka Kotahi to operate, maintain, and improve the transport network, hence our formal response in this submission. The submission will also enable us to provide our perspective on submissions from other parties and ensure that the resulting provisions align with the Waka Kotahi strategic direction, and that Waka Kotahi delivers on the mandate from Central Government to promote best practice transport solutions across the country.

### **Waka Kotahi Statutory Functions, Powers and Responsibilities**

1. Waka Kotahi statutory objective under the Land Transport Management Act 2003 (LTMA) is to undertake its functions in a way that contributes to an effective, efficient, and safe land transport system in the public interest.

2. Waka Kotahi must carry out its functions in a way that delivers the transport outcomes set by the Government which are provided in the Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2020/21 (GPS).

3. In September 2020, the Minister of Transport released the GPS 2021, which took effect from 1 July 2021. It builds on the strategic direction set in the earlier GPS and has four strategic priorities.

- Safety
- Better travel options
- Improving freight connections
- Climate Change

4. To deliver on the outcomes set by the GPS, Waka Kotahi have developed several strategies. A summary below is provided of those strategies relevant to this plan change; Arataki and Toitū Te Taiao.

5. Arataki is the Waka Kotahi ten-year view on the step changes and actions needed to deliver long-term outcomes for the land transport system. It includes a national view as well as a regional view for the Greater Wellington region, which includes the following areas of focus. These are therefore relevant when considering this plan change:

The submission points below are listed in order of the four plan changes.

### The Waka Kotahi feedback for all four plan changes:

1. For the purposes of s74(3) of the Resource Management Act, Waka Kotahi would not gain an advantage in trade competition through this feedback.

### Proposed plan change 1D

2. Waka Kotahi supports the reclassification of Arawhata Road, Tutanekai Street and Ventnor Drive as set out in the material provided.
3. Furthermore, when the roading provisions are reviewed more fully in future, Waka Kotahi supports all councils in to align with the One Network Framework for classifying all roads, in the interests of national consistency and alignment with best practice.

### Proposed plan change 1F

4. Waka Kotahi supports the changes to the provisions regarding the modification of indigenous vegetation, as set out in the documentation.

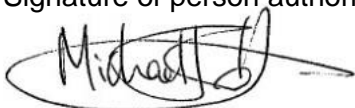
### Proposed plan change 1K

5. Waka Kotahi is neutral on the changing of the maximum size of electoral signage from 2.0m to 3.0m

### Proposed plan change 1L

6. Waka Kotahi supports the rezoning to Open Space of the highlighted council-owned allotments, as shown in the Proposed Plan Change 1L planning maps.
7. In particular, Waka Kotahi supports the rezoning and development of those allotments that are able to provide greater urban connectivity to walking, cycling and other micromobility modes.
8. This includes Gardner Place Reserve (Lot 103 DP454507), Jim Cooke Memorial Park, Kereru Street Reserve, Kotuku Reserve, Matuhi Street Playground, 104 Ngārara Road, Pateke Way connection with Kotuku Drive, Seagrass Place Reserve, Tui Crescent Reserve, Vallance Lane,

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