

Dear Hearing Panel,

I reside at 35 Golf Links Road, Rangiora. I would like to request in support to Peter Wilson's recommendation that the properties along the Western boundary within the current Rangiora town boundary be rezoned Residential Medium Density from the current Development Zone.

With the development of the Belgrove Residential Estate, it is becoming increasingly apparent that the lifestyle I have enjoyed at my family property for the last 35 years is being irreparable forever changed. It is also becoming increasingly challenging to carry on with my equestrian pursuits, and the rural nature of my property now that it is bounded on my western boundary by an ever increasing urban subdivision.

As our properties are within the current town boundary and with the increasing growth in the population and the housing shortage, it appears it would make absolute sense to change us to Residential medium density at this time, aligning with current central government requirements.

From my personal experience over the last few months since I last spoke to the hearing panel, several houses have been built in close proximity to my boundary, including a new public cycle and walkway.

In all the time I have lived at my home, there has never been any problems with people (uninvited guests) coming onto my land.

As soon as the building of the houses commenced, so to did the problems, associated with basically living on a

development site.

I personally have had three burglaries within the short space of two to three months. All have all been reported and filed with the NZ Police. As well as an illegal drone hovering over my property (effectively spying) since the burglaries occurred after this.

I value my privacy and I am increasingly aware, that myself, horse, property and any activities are now available to the viewing of the public. This makes me feel incredibly vulnerable, and that my privacy and lifestyle have been violated. I have legitimate concerns for the safety of my horse and property. Unfortunately my stables and haybarn occupy the very south western corner boundary next to Belgrove, which wasn't a concern when cows grazed, and gazed over the fence. Not so with people.

To change us to Residential medium density, would allow us some certainty moving forward. The landscape we live in is now evolving and we need the ability to do the same.

Personally my one concern is the loss of all the significant exotic trees which make this a picturesque area. I have a large pine tree on the south/western boundary with Belgrove. She is over 150 years old and is the last remaining one of her kind. She has historical significance as she once formed the boundary from the original subdivision of the land from the historic homestead. She has a huge presence and affectionately named "The Matriarch" by my father. She has stood as a gentle and sentient guardian over the family property all the time we have dwelt here. Driving down Kippenberger Avenue she is always a welcome sight, ensuring home was a

short distance away. Other trees of significance not only in my property but many other specimen trees in number 7 and number 19.

I hope that some of these beautiful trees can be incorporated in whatever development comes in the future.

The North/East corridor of Golf Links Road has always been one of the most desirable locations to live in Rangiora. It allowed a wonderful lifestyle which included rural and equestrian pursuits, an easy walking distance to the town centre, while a short drive to the local beaches and closeness to the motorway into Christchurch.

Apart from this the area is steeped in history that forms the tapestry of the story of Rangiora from its historical pastoral, cultural and industrial beginnings, not to mention the significance to the local Maori

from the PA at Kaiapoi. Both the Cam River and Taranaki Stream a part of this past. The Mill foundation at the corner of Kippenberger Ave and Golf Links Road, once occupied by the Leeches Flour Mill.

This history is very dear to my heart, and as a long time resident, it is just not my home, but my community. I was privileged to know the original residents along Golf Links Road, who passed on their oral history and recollections to me. For instance Wally and Ernie Goodwin were born and grew up as children at The Mill cottage at number 4. Number 7, Thornbank was originally called Hawcroft. Momakai, number 19 was called such by Trevor and Joyce McKeown for the food and Kai it provided for the local bird life.

I've not only lived on Golf Links Road for over 3 decades of my life. But have been involved with the local historical society

and volunteered for over half a decade at the Rangiora Museum.

In conclusion as much as my heart is with my local surrounds, I now can see it is time for future generations and families to have the privilege of dwelling in such a special area of Rangiora, changing guard it is now an appropriate time to change and rezone Golf Links Road to Residential Medium Density in keeping with the changing face of the area from rural to urban.

Thank you for the time you have spent in listening to the humanistic side of how the changing surrounds have effected a long time resident.

I welcome any questions that the panel may have.

I look forward to presenting to you all at the forthcoming hearing of Stream 12E

Kind regards

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