SUBMISSION 161

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I could gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission

No

The specific provisions of the proposed Plan Change that my submission relates to are as follows

SUB-RUR - Subdivision in Rural Zones

My submission is that

Entire Lack of Community Consultation UHCC has effectively made a decision to make important changes to the Rural Subdivision without proper consultation or practises. The proposed change(s) will adversely impact the entire rural community and the visitors of the rural community The primary concern I want recorded and to be heard on is relates to the erasure of the previously long-standing identified Issues (SUB-RUR-I1 to SUB-RUR-I3) and substituted with a set of "Objectives" (SUB-RUR-O1 to SUB-RUR-05). Myself and our community is mindful these Issues absolutely have not been resolved, which makes it increasingly important to retain these within the plan. In addition note that the introduced "Objectives" for Rural Subdivision will absolutely grow the impact of the previously identified Issues. Note also SUB-RUR-03 and SUB-RUR-05 are complete contradictions to the Issues. Establishing "rural villages" and the proposed Berketts Farm Precinct will

- 1. Create whole loss of productive life supporting soil/land.
- 2. Significantly increase demand on the existing infrastructure, this is already woefully not fit for purpose or to a reasonable standard
- 3. Initiate the loss of rural character and the destruction of significant areas of indigenous vegetation, with associated loss of flora and fauna habitat Combined these are absolutely not conducive to the rural environment Overall it shows that UHCC is changing rules to suit their own agenda while attempting to sweep these changes in by stealth. There are many areas within Upper Hutt boundaries that are significantly better for development and/or in keeping with current and proven planning rules, legislation, regulations, guidance

etc that do not adversely affect the valuable environment or rural community and safety of its residents

I seek the following decision from the local authority

Revoke proposed changes and rural development

Please indicate whether you wish to be heard in support of your submission (tick appropriate box)

I do wish to be heard in support of my submission.

please indicate whether you wish to make a joint case at the hearing if others make a similar submission (tick appropriate box)

I do wish to make a joint case.