## Public notice of decisions on submissions on Proposed Plan Change 2 (Private) to the Waikato Regional Coastal Plan: Pare Hauraki Kaimoana

Pursuant to Clauses 10 and 11 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA), Waikato Regional Council (**Council**) gives notice on 27 September 2023 that it has made a decision on provisions and matters raised in submissions on the Proposed Plan Change 2 (Private) to the Waikato Regional Coastal Plan: Pare Hauraki Kaimoana (**Proposed Private Plan Change**).

The Proposed Private Plan Change introduces a standalone rule in Chapter 16 of the Waikato Regional Coastal Plan to enable aquaculture structures wholly within the surface of the Coromandel Marine Farming Zone to set up subsurface anchor lines and anchor structures (with any associated seabed disturbance) located outside of the Coromandel Marine Farming Zone. The Proposed Private Plan Change also amends Rule 16.5.6 to clearly state that such structures are not a prohibited activity.

At a Council meeting on 31 August 2023, Council adopted the recommendations made by the Hearings Panel set out in the Hearing Panels Report as the Council's decision on the Proposed Plan Change 2 (Private) to the Waikato Regional Coastal Plan: Pare Hauraki Kaimoana.

## Inspection and availability of the decisions

The decision documents for the Proposed Private Plan Change are freely available on Waikato Regional Council's website www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/coastalplanprivatechange.

Copies of the decision can also be viewed free of charge at the Waikato Regional Council offices in Hamilton (160 Ward Street), Paeroa (13 Opatito Road), Taupō (100 Horomatangi Street), Whitianga (33-35 Albert Street) and at all public libraries in the Waikato Region. Copies of the document are available on request by emailing policy@waikatoregion.govt.nz or calling 0800 800 401.

## **Appeals to Environment Court**

The applicant and any person who made a submission or further submission on the Proposed Plan Change 2 (Private) to the Waikato Regional Coastal Plan: Pare Hauraki Kaimoana may appeal to the Environment Court in accordance with clause 14 of Schedule 1 of the RMA. Any appeal must be in the prescribed form (Form 7 of the Resource Management (Forms, Fees, and Procedure) Regulations 2003) and lodged with the Environment Court and served on the Waikato Regional Council within 30 working days of service of this notice of decision. Furthermore, within 5 working days of lodging an appeal, you are required to serve a copy of your appeal on every person who made a submission on those provisions or matter to which your appeal relates.

A list of submitters' addresses for service can be found on the Waikato Regional Council website. More information on the appeal process can be found on the Environment Court's website https://environmentcourt.govt.nz.

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