

## HDL CONSULTATION WITH TE RŪNANGA O NGĀI TAHU

Ngāi Tahu are tangata whenua of the Canterbury region. The contemporary structure of Ngāi Tahu is set down through the Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu Act 1996 and, through this structure and this Act, sets the requirements for recognition of tangata whenua in Canterbury. Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri and Te Taumutu Rūnanga being one of the 18 papatipu rūnanga of Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu hold manawhenua over the project's location, as it is within their takiwā.

The natural resources – water; mahinga kai; indigenous flora and fauna; cultural landscapes and land – are taonga to manawhenua and they have concerns for activities which potentially adversely affect these taonga. These taonga are integral to the cultural identity of ngā rūnanga manawhenua and they have a kaitiaki responsibility to protect them. The policies for protect of taonga that are of high cultural significance to ngā rūnanga manawhenua and are articulated in the Mahaanui Iwi Management Plan (**MIMP**).

Mahaanui Kurataiao Limited is an environmental advisory established by the six local rūnanga of Canterbury to assist and improve the recognition and protection of mana whenua values within their takiwā. It has reviewed the proposed development and has identified key matters within the MIMP which are relevant to the project. The proposed development has also been presented to rūnanga representatives from both Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri and Te Taumutu Rūnanga.

The representatives do not have any concerns about the proposal as it is an expansion for a proposal that they were not opposed to in the past. They have however requested that the following conditions be imposed:

- An accidental Discovery Protocol should be followed for all earthworks which is consistent with Appendix 3 of the MIMP.
- The applicant should follow the Ngāi Tahu guidelines on subdivision development when designing the subdivision.

Where appropriate, those conditions will be proposed by the applicant as part of the consent applications.

Feedback has been received from Mahaanui Kurataiao and representatives from Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tūāhuriri in regard to the project. That feedback is included as **Attachment 10**.

An assessment of the project's alignment with the Ngāi Tahu guidelines for subdivision and development is included as **Attachment 11**. This assessment draws on feedback received from Mahaanui Kurataiao and representatives from Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tūāhuriri. In short, the project represents an extension of the existing Faringdon community. Within that community, there are key urban elements which are central to the development and way of life, and are consistent with the expectations outlined by Mahaanui Kurataiao through consultation. They also align with the Ngāi Tahu guidelines for subdivision and respect the traditional and contemporary values of te ao Māori.

These elements will be retained or enhanced as part of the project and include:

- a) The boulevard network is being extended and will link the sites to the existing Faringdon area. The network will include even greater landscape areas than previously provided and will also link the off-road pedestrian and cycleway networks.
- b) The existing and highly successful community garden will be retained and will be in close proximity to the project area.

One of the key aspects underpinning urban growth and affordability within Rolleston has been the availability of infrastructure capacity and the efficiency at which infrastructure has been able to support growth. Existing ground conditions and infrastructure design initiatives have aligned urban growth with maintaining environmental quality and this will continue with this project.