

## 2. AKAROA HOT POOLS LTD – SUBMISSION TO RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATION

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### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to enable the Board to formulate a submission on the Akaroa Hot Pools proposal for French Bay, Akaroa.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

2. It is recommended that the Akaroa-Wairewa Community Board make the following submission on behalf of the Christchurch City Council, to the Akaroa Hot Pools Ltd resource consent application.

(Submission as attached as Appendix A)

### BACKGROUND ON

3. A resource consent application has been made through Environment Canterbury by Akaroa Hot Pools Ltd, to establish a hot pool development on the foreshore of French Bay, Akaroa.

The proposed development will be assessed primarily under the Regional Coastal Environmental Plan for the Canterbury Region. There is no onus on Environment Canterbury to consider the land based effects of the proposal particularly in regard to the principles contained in the Banks Peninsula District Plan.

A deputation to the 25 October meeting of the Akaroa-Wairewa Community Board raised concerns regarding the land based effects of the proposal. The Board shared those concerns and felt it was important to make a submission on the proposal so that community issues, particularly those relating to the Council, could be raised as part of the consent process.

The Board is also aware of the high level of interest in the local community regarding the proposal, and feels that it should be making a submission on behalf of the community and the Council.

### OPTIONS

4.
  - A) The Board could make no submission on the application.
  - B) The Board could make a submission supporting the application.
  - C) The Board could make a submission opposing the application.
  - D) The Board could make a submission, neither supporting nor opposing the application, but raising issues which affect the Council and which the Board considers need to be addressed as part of the consent process.

### PREFERRED OPTION

5. Board members have indicated a preference for Option D, as they feel it is not appropriate for the Council to either support or oppose the application; however members are aware it is an important concern in the local community and the Board should therefore raise the issues which it believes need to be addressed.

## **FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

6. There are no financial considerations as there is no cost for the Council to make a submission, apart from normal staff support.

Under the Community Board Delegations it states:

*Resource Management*

*The power to make submissions on behalf of the Council, on applications for resource consents, to other territorial authorities or the Canterbury Regional Council, where the application is of particular concern to the local community.*

This application is for a resource consent through the Regional Council (Environment Canterbury) and is of particular concern to the local community. The Board therefore has the delegated authority to make a submission on Council's behalf on this application.