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The Manager
New Plymouth District Council
Planning Department
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NEW PLYMOUTH 4340

Attention: Rowan Williams

Dear Rowan

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AND LINK ROAD FOR OAKURA

We advise that we act for Oakura Farms Limited (Mr Norton Moller).

On behalf of our client we wish to advise the New Plymouth District Council that Oakura Farms Limited has reached agreement with Mr Neil Holdom of Pinewoods Partnership to use a small portion of Oakura Farms Limited land to effect an extension of what would be a future road from Cunningham Lane to Russell Drive.

While our client understands that the Pinewoods Partnership land already has approval for 34 sections, these sections will most likely be reviewed and additional sections created as demand occurs. Such a proposed development would be consistent with the vision that has been held for Oakura township for the past 50 years.

In our opinion, the development addresses the future needs and requirements of the Oakura community and has the ability to give Oakura "heart" through including carparking facilities close to the beach, walkway access to the beach, walkways up the Waimoku Stream and to the Kaitake Golf Course and, most importantly, a through road between Wairau Road and western Oakura.

Oakura Farms Limited has for many years been discussing an alternate access for western Oakura between Cunningham Lane and Russell Drive and there is now an understanding between our client and Pinewoods Partnership for developing that "link road" as part of the residential development.

We believe that this link road between Cunningham Lane and Russell Drive through the Oakura Farms and Pinewoods land is essential for the future of Oakura as it provides a secondary access between east and west Oakura and at a level that is well above sea level (which with climate change protects against the risks of rising sea levels to access along Messenger Terrace – Tasman Parade to western Oakura).

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Oakura Farms Limited is willing to work together with the Pinewoods Partnership and the New Plymouth District Council to find a way to provide this opportunity for the future of Oakura.

Some time will be needed to investigate the options and to get the key people together but we are of the view that it is important to notify the Council of our clients willingness to work with the Pinewoods development and the need to address and incorporate the future needs of Oakura into the planning for this development so that community facilities, access and infrastructure can be provided for.

If you have any queries or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the writer.

Yours faithfully
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