

Hello my name is Pat Coxhead.

My grandparents were one of the first families to live in Oakura As permanent residents. When I was 10 we moved here from Wellington and I just loved what Oakura Offered ... The lifestyle, the close supportive friendly community, and the feeling of belonging In a small village. We have now resided in Oakura For 42 years and Paul and I have always been very Involved in the community.

We have raised 3 children here, and our 9 Grandchildren and 2 Great Grandchildren are the 5th and 6th generation to live locally.

Prior to retiring five years ago I worked From our house as a home-based educator for 22 years. My Roll was often full over these years with a waiting list, and I still get asked if I will continue to work as there is a always a need for childcare, especially for under two year olds. My concern re-the size of this Proposed subdivision and application for re-zoning is the pressure and demand this will put on our current early childhood preschools and Home based educators.

The kindergarten and the local preschools^{1 2} already have a waiting lists and The home-based educators also have limited spaces for under two year olds. The sudden growth of a large subdivision like the proposal will change our close-knit 'village' Into a 'town' like feeling, instead of what we have now which is a caring supportive small community. We do not need 300 ? more sections as this will only create pressure of the whole infa structure of Oakura.

Any development should be at a steady pace on the seaside of Oakura, Not sprawled out towards the Ranges where the re-zoning is proposed, ruining Views, Putting pressure on the environment, and Looking and feeling like a big TOWN not a VILLAGE.

We just do not need the zoning to be changed...

It will ruin what we have enjoyed for many years and there is already enough room allowed for steady growth in the current zoned residential area.

Myself and many others who are presenting Submissions against the proposed Wairau Estate Re - Zoning this week have chosen to live in a Village.. Not a town!!!

My name is Paul Coxhead

I live on Messenger Tce in a home we built 40 years ago

I have been heavily involved with the Community during this time, from Scouts, Rugby Club, Chairperson of the local Lions Club, and Chairman of School Committee.

In 2001 I was an original Member of the Committee to set up the very successful Oakura Junior Sports Club

I am Vice President of the Oakura Bowling Club and currently serving my second term on the Kaitake Community Board (KCB)

My concerns with the Plan Change to Rezone are many, including the increase in vehicle traffic and the ability of our roads to cope, extra pressure on all infrastructure, parking, views restricted, etc.

A major concern is the stormwater.

We are having increased erosion since the establishment of the Paddocks subdivision, and even though systems were put in place to alleviate this, in heavy rainfall they have not been successful. I feel this new subdivision will cause major damage down stream, eroding the creek, causing problems with the sewerage pump Station and depositing extra rubbish on the beach.

Mr Comber touched on the possibility of erosion to the low lying houses along the beach front of Messenger Tce, caused by rising sea levels.

I agree that with the weather extremes which are getting more common now, it could take just one weather bomb to cause this major damage.

What Mr Comber didn't include was the effect the extra storm water from the proposed Wairau Estate subdivision would have on this problem.

You saw yesterday Photos of the flood damage to the Wairau stream, (Point 147 KCB Submission). This, combined with high tides and extreme weather could cause the major damage.

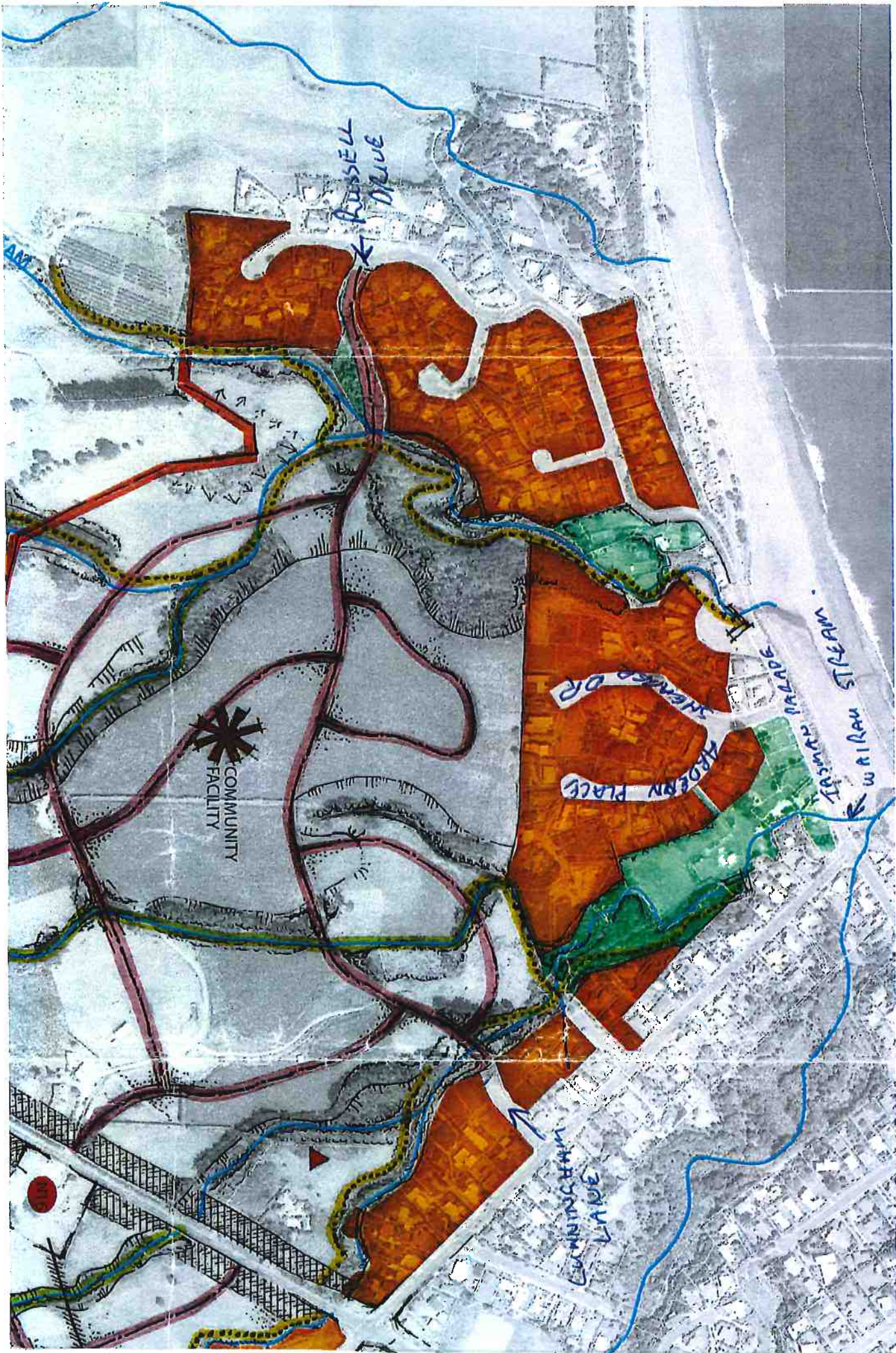
If an extreme weather incident caused erosion to low lying Messenger Tce properties, it is also likely to cause major damage to the very exposed Tasman Parade, the only access to all the properties on the western side of Wairau Rd.

The Residents would then have no access to or from their properties.

What we need is another access road to connect this part of Oakura.

By allowing the re zoning of the Wairau Estate subdivision, I believe this will probably never happen.

By keeping future development on the seaward side of SH45, Cunningham Lane and Russell Drive would be joined, forming an alternative access route. Maybe with some careful planning, in time Arden Place and Shearer Drive properties could also be linked to this new access road, keeping all traffic off the beach front, and this area could then be turned into a beautiful, safe beachfront experience for all to enjoy.



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