

**In the matter of PPC18/00048 Proposed private plan change 48 to the NPD
requested by Oakura Farm Park Ltd for the proposed rezoning of land at
Wairau Road Oakura**

Im Rosie Moyes and I live with my family at 97 Wairau Road. Our property is directly on the cross roads or intersection of State Highway 45 and Wairau Road. I moved here in 2007 from the UK with Bryan and our three girls. We moved from the other side of the world for a better lifestyle for our family. When we drove around Taranaki looking for places to live Oakura was the place for us it was the personification of New Zealand it was what I always visualised New Zealand to be, there was no doubt in my mind that I wanted to live in Oakura. Two of the children went to Oakura school. I was blown away by the friendly welcoming community I started writing for the TOM Oakura's own community newspaper keeping the residents up to date and in touch. This is the sort of thing that makes Oakura so special and something I do not want to be lost. I've seen housing estates in the UK developed, I do not want Oakura to follow.

As a speaker on the last day of the hearing I understand that alot of my points will have already been covered. To keep things concise I would like to endorse the submission by the Katiake Community Board KCB and also traffic expert Nick Gladstone.

However I believe that I have a unique situation to cover in that our property is directly situated on the cross roads of State Highway 45 and Wairau Road. This is the proposed site of a roundabout to feed traffic to the proposed housing estate and yes there is no doubt this is a large scale housing development proposal. The pressure on the existing road system is undeniable. Referring to KCB point 172 there is no evidence that a roundabout will ease the congestion. Also KCB states point 171 that due to the irregular alignment of the roads and the Matekai Stream crossing within 150 metres of the intersection and the incline of the road system as it exists means that visibility to traffic approaching a roundabout would make it unsafe. I believe a roundabout will be more hazardous not just for vehicles but also for pedestrians, cyclists and equestrians. I also believe engineers feel to cater for the volume of traffic a larger scale roundabout would be necessary and therefore leading to the acquisition of land on one or more corners of the cross roads. It has been stated by the applicant that this would not be necessary.

With the road flow off the roundabout I feel car drivers will accelerate around the curve of the roundabout.

Our driveway sits less than 20 metres approximately (less if the roundabout goes ahead) from the Highway leading to serious safety issues entering and exiting the property. In my opinion there is no alternate driveway position to enter our property and I have serious concerns for the safety of my family including grandchildren. There are currently four adults living at the property and four cars. Noise pollution will increase as vehicles accelerate around the roundabout and so too air pollutants.

In my opinion the property will be unsafe and undesirable. The devaluing of the property is speculation at this point but an obvious conclusion should the roundabout go ahead. Until we try to sell which we will undoubtedly have to do we will not know the full extent. The end result of the property being less desirable will increase the time on the market and sale ability. This development has huge life changing negative consequences for some, whilst one other stands only to gain.

I feel that there are many more points which have been covered by KCB submission and in an effort to avoid repetition I will endorse their submission.

In conclusion I feel the proposed Wairau Estate in any shape or form big or small is unwarranted and unnecessary and will change Oakura to a little Britain suburbia. I ask that PPC48 be declined in its entirety.