



30 July 2021

Hearings Commissioners  
Selwyn District Council  
PO Box 90  
Rolleston 7643

## **Ministry of Education letter to be tabled at the hearing of Plan Change 66 to the Selwyn District Plan**

**Attention: Tina Van Der Velde**

The Ministry of Education ("the Ministry") lodged a submission on proposed Plan Change 66 (PPC66) to the Selwyn District Plan (PC66-0009). The Ministry will not attend the PPC66 hearing and instead, request that this letter be tabled for the Hearing Panel's consideration in lieu of attendance.

The Ministry's submission related to the impacts on water supply, road access and landscaping.

We have reviewed the Section 42A report dated 15 July and the evidence submitted on behalf of the applicants and note the following:

- In paragraph 47 of the S42A report the reporting officer agrees with the Ministry of Education and recommends that rule 17.2.2 should be amended to refer to the new Clause 17.2.1.2(iii). This would restrict vehicle access from having access directly onto Maddison Road from the plan change area. This change was also accepted by the applicant and detailed in their proposed amendments to the application dated 26 May 2021. The Ministry supports this approach.
- The Ministry supported the landscaping treatment proposed as part of the plan change application and agrees with the reporting officer's analysis and recommendations contained in paragraphs 57-58.
- As stated in their submission, the Ministry recognises that water quality is managed by the regional council. Notwithstanding this, we acknowledge the work undertaken by WSP in relation to site servicing and consideration to water effects. The Ministry accepts the recommendations from the reporting officer in paragraph 76 that water quality is not within the functions of territorial authorities under the RMA.

Overall, the Ministry supports the findings of the Section 42A report and if these recommendations are adopted, the Ministry's submission points are adequately addressed.

Should you have any queries please contact myself as the Planning agent to the Ministry in this matter in the first instance.

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