

Summary of submissions considered in the 'text - general' report

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Review the punitive effect of designating an activity as discretionary or notified discretionary.	52/4
The introduction of a part 15 into the text titled - Sustainable Management Operational Methodologies:	124/1, 158/1, 160/1, 165/1, 169/1, 584/1, 660/1, 778/1, 800/1, 809/1, 683/1, 817/1, 826/1, 842/1, 894/1, 1022/1, 1132/1, 1217/1, 1295/1, 1598/1, 1599/1, 1608/1, 1622/1, 1624/1, 1627/1, 1628/1, 1629/1, 1631/1, 1633/1, 2123/1, 2127/1, 2662/1, 2773/1, 2776/1, 2778/1, 2787/1, 2844/1, 2944/1, 2948/1, 2951/1, 2955/1, 2959/1, 2963/1, 2967/1, 2971/1, 2975/1, 2979/1, 2983/1, 2987/1, 2991/1, 3007/1, 3014/1, 3017/1, 3232/1, 3233/1, 3246/1, 3268/1, 3389/1, 3529/1, 3626/1, 3839/1
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(b) Additional appropriate linkages to other RM issues, objectives, policies and rules	
Re-organisation of the Plan to meet the identified shortcomings (regarding the failure to properly give effect to the HGMPA and lack of specific objectives, rules or provisions that clearly identify sustaining the life-supporting capacity of the environment of the Gulf and islands as their objective, purpose and desired raison d'etre). In particular the provision of clear specific provisions to that effect.	301/1, 375/1, 566/1, 574/1, 591/1, 627/1, 632/1, 701/1, 710/1, 730/1, 738/1, 875/1, 887/1, 906/1, 936/1, 1020/1, 1055/31, 1151/1, 1209/1, 1685/1, 1686/1, 1687/1, 1688/1, 1689/1, 1690/1, 1691/1, 1692/1, 1693/1, 1694/1, 1695/1, 1696/1, 1697/1, 1699/1, 2287/1, 2563/1, 2795/1, 2838/1, 2997/1, 3201/1, 3216/1, 3230/1, 3234/1, 3258/1, 3277/1, 3283/1, 3316/1, 3325/1, 3330/1, 3346/1, 3352/1, 3362/1, 3373/1, 3385/1, 3405/1, 3419/1, 3557/1, 3822/1
The introduction into the Plan of appropriate landscape protection and enhancement methodologies	302/7, 303/5, 374/7, 378/5, 569/5, 570/7, 575/7, 576/5, 590/5, 592/5, 636/7, 639/7, 643/7, 644/5, 652/7, 670/5, 672/7, 685/7, 705/5, 707/5, 713/5, 715/7, 717/5, 729/5, 732/7, 737/7, 739/5, 797/7, 805/7, 806/7, 814/7, 823/7, 868/5, 869/7, 886/5, 888/7, 904/5, 911/7, 921/7, 922/5, 926/7, 939/5, 954/5, 955/7, 1019/7, 1040/7, 1055/16, 1055/26, 1149/5, 1153/7, 1166/14, 1231/7, 1240/7, 1720/7, 1721/7, 1722/7, 1723/7, 1724/7, 1725/7, 1726/7, 1727/7, 1728/7, 1729/7, 1730/7, 1731/7, 1732/7, 1733/7, 1734/7, 1735/7, 1736/7, 1737/7, 1738/7, 1739/7, 1740/7, 1741/7, 1742/7, 1743/5, 1744/5, 1745/5, 1746/5, 1747/5, 1748/5, 1749/5, 1750/5, 1751/5, 1752/5, 1753/5, 1754/5, 1755/5,

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The linking of these issues (regarding coastal amenity areas and landscape concerns) with a new additional sustainable management part of the Plan.	302/8, 374/8, 570/8, 575/8, 636/8, 639/8, 643/8, 652/8, 672/8, 685/8, 715/8, 732/8, 737/8, 797/8, 805/8, 806/8, 814/8, 823/8, 869/8, 888/8, 911/8, 921/8, 926/8, 955/8, 1019/8, 1040/8, 1055/27, 1153/8, 1166/15, 1231/8, 1240/8, 1720/8, 1721/8, 1722/8, 1723/8, 1724/8, 1725/8, 1726/8, 1727/8, 1728/8, 1729/8, 1730/8, 1731/8, 1732/8, 1733/8, 1734/8, 1735/8, 1736/8, 1737/8, 1738/8, 1739/8, 1740/8, 1741/8, 1742/8, 2113/8, 2116/8, 2281/8, 2783/8, 2831/8, 2992/8, 3004/8, 3189/8, 3203/8, 3217/8, 3224/8, 3239/8, 3244/8, 3256/8, 3266/8, 3272/8, 3276/8, 3282/8, 3308/8, 3326/8, 3328/8, 3339/8, 3353/8, 3363/8, 3368/8, 3383/8, 3417/8, 3562/8, 3623/8, 3818/8
There should not be any more onerous conditions imposed on residents to obtain resource consent than at present. Many of the conditions requiring resource consent are unrealistic, impractical and arbitrary and must be eased/addressed	470/1
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A total ban on gas fired patio heaters	500/1
The council to permit Great Barrier residents' reasonable opportunity to develop sustainable environmentally friendly projects without payment of crippling resource management application charges.	512/2
That every council office have a specialist "sustainability planner" or "planner for the environment" who would actively promote the uptake of sustainable business practices, the reduction of greenhouse gas deposits in the local sector, the implementation of programmes to increase the number of trees present to reduce greenhouse gases and be in charge of training courses for all ACC employees keeping them up to date on climate change, its causes and mitigation. In addition these sustainability planners would make presentations in the schools, give courses for new home builders and buyers and instruct home-owners in how to alter their houses to make them more energy efficient.	536/2
That the council develop model plans for small, simple house designs for one, two, three or more people which would showcase all the aspects of sustainable design, even giving plans to prospective home builders for them to use in the creation of their best possible sustainable home.	536/3
Low building consent fees given for smaller houses which have the lowest energy "footprint".	536/4
That the council provide low interest sustainability loans for the building and alteration of houses in accordance with the most up to date sustainable design practices.	536/5
Thought should be given to future wind generators on individual homes and that neighbours should not, if possible, shield each other from the direction of the prevailing wind.	536/7
That all of these operational methodologies for sustainable management (and the many others which would be suitably created for the mitigation of the effects of climate change) be included in a part 15 of the Plan titled "Sustainable Management Operational Methodologies".	536/8
No decision requested but notes there is an excessive use of the restricted discretionary category in the activity tables which when combined with the	615/2

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notification requirements results in a potential with those with genuine concerns about the effect of a application being unable to express them.	
Delete approach taken in the Plan to managing activities through prescriptive activity list and them deeming all activities outside of such lists to be non-complying. Replace with an effects based approach similar to the operative Plan.	618/147, 619/96, 1285/23, 1286/71, 2670/95, 2721/5
No increase in density in reticulated areas	753/29, 821/33, 836/19, 1190/27
Welcomes the intent to have less notified applications where issues are dealt with via council and fixtures not the community board.	821/39
Give thought to requiring the planting and establishment of more mature specimens of large-growing tree species, possibly as a trade-off when making decisions on discretionary items.	897/5, 2772/5
Total ban on outdoor patio heaters	951/1
That a practical study be undertaken of Great Barrier living conditions, with particular reference to domestic fuel and the lifecycle and growth habits of manuka/kanuka and that relevant sections of the Plan be rewritten to accurately reflect the results of this research.	968/1
The proposed Plan provisions should be more focussed on an effects based planning regime derived from an integrated catchment management structure.	1101/10, 1287/1, 1288/1, 1289/15
That alternative technology and other cultural approaches to sustainable management be actively promoted and positively discriminated for within the Plan by way of objectives, policies and rules.	1136/1
That in a proposed part 15 of the Plan, entitled "Sustainable Management Operational Methodologies" extensive operational methodologies be delineated which will mitigate the effects of Peak Oil upon every aspect of our lives and fossil fuel economy.	1182/2
That one of the sustainable management operational methodologies be the immediate creation of the council and local "Peak Oil" Management committees responsible for researching "Peak Oil", its effects on us and the mitigation of these.	1182/3
That the Plan/council pave the way for new models of cooperative small-community living and collective voluntary simplicity by creating a "fast track" processing of the building consent applications for beneficial community development in both the public and private sector.	1205/1
That the Plan express councils hope that we can face the approaching challenges of energy adversity without competing over scarce resources by learning to live in an economy of mutual support	1205/2
That the Plan acknowledge that those who presently have low incomes and abilities to care for themselves may face much greater difficulties in facing energy adversity. That the Plan incorporate new models of community living which would support the disadvantaged in having their needs met by the local community.	1205/3
Remove the "prohibited activities" activity from the Plan, and change prohibited activities included therein to non-complying activities.	1243/3
Include objectives, policies and methods (rules and assessment criteria) that address housing affordability including but not necessarily limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. a commitment by Auckland City to investigate opportunities and incentives for encouraging the market to provide a variety of housing types for all socio-economic groups with the Waiheke community (ie in accordance with Essentially Waiheke). b. a commitment by Auckland City to carry out a future district plan change, including necessary public consultation, that will give effect to the investigation. c. Implementing activity standards and development controls that minimise consent costs for appropriate development. 	1256/2
Remove the limiting effect of the proposed Plan's resource consent requirements have on the development of the island's vacant residential land.	1259/2
Amendments, deletions and revisions are sought to Parts 1-4 to provide a more integrated and coherent approach to sustainable use and development as required by the RM Act 1991.	1288/2
The Plan should mitigate the threat from wildfire by incorporating a mix of the strategies including: ensuring that there is adequate stored water on site for fire fighting purposes. A 22,000 litre tank is only just adequate to supply a family during the summer. To ensure adequate supply for fire suppression purposes during the driest time of the year (which is also when the fire risk is at its greatest) a bigger storage capacity would be required. It is also important that the supply tanks be at least 8 metres from the dwelling to minimise the exposure risk. The problem of water supply on Great Barrier Island is exacerbated by the fact that there are no mechanisms in place to purchase water. The amount of water storage required on site could feasibly be reduced by the installation of internal sprinkler systems within dwellings. This mechanism is used in the building code to allow for the reduction of other fire safety measures.	1467/2

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References to the HGI Development Code (eg in clause 5.3.1) either need to be deleted entirely from the Plan or the HGI Development Code laid open for public scrutiny.	1596/6
The status of the HGI Development Code needs to be clarified	1596/7
The Plan should state specific objectives and rules regarding the environment of the Gulf.	1692/3
More clearly stated rules protecting beach areas from substantial developments eg apartments, hotels etc	1730/10
To refocus objectives, policies and rules in the Tryphena Region so that in 2008 Station Rock Road (reserve, car, cycleway and walkway) is formed in conjunction with the targeted growth and development around the existing settled area of Tryphena both as an example both of a low impact, hybrid design approach for new roads and to confirm the council's continuing programme for legalising roads (with specific reference to the following clauses: 2.1; 2.2; 2.3.1; 2.4; 2.4.1; 2.5; 2.5.2; 2.5.8; 3.2; 3.2.1; 3.2.2; 3.2.3; 3.2.4; 5.1; 5.3; 5.3.1; 10b.5.2; 10b.5.3; 10b.5.6.2; Part 13; 13.1; 13.2; 13.2.4; 13.2.6; 13.3.3; 13.3.5)	2043/2
Redrafting of the Plan to meet the identified inadequacies (regarding the failure to properly give effect to the HGMPA 2000 and the lack of specific objectives, rules or provisions that clearly identify sustaining the life-supporting capacity of the environment of the Gulf and islands as their objective, purpose and desired raison d'être). In particular the provision of clear specific statements demonstrating how the principles of sections 7 and 8 of the HGMPA will be accorded the appropriate significance in terms of policies, consent conditions and enforcement mechanisms.	2656/1
Seeks a less dictatorial style of plan implementation.	2714/5
To avoid arbitrary and unlawful practices and formulations which are endemic in a hyper-regulatory environment, each and every list of rules and criteria must be reviewed and audited so that : 1. It is transparent whether such criteria are to be interpreted cumulatively or alternately (using "and" or "or" where appropriate). 2. Any bias, weighting or loading is made explicit and clear 3. Where appropriate and necessary, any rule is given an explicit value or percentage 4. Any such weightings must be based on the agreed social, economic and cultural priorities of the parties most affected by the rules or criteria 5. In-house policies, practices and conventions which are not explicit in the rules and therefore are unlawful, are to be expressly forbidden	2766/9
The Plan fails to recognise the diversity of its people and communities to the extent that land uses are prescribed in a series of activity tables, which appear to make all unlisted activities non-complying or illegal, contrary to LGA section 14.1(c).1. The council must make an effort to identify and include the actual pattern of development and preserve the flexibility and diversity of use within the land units wherever practicable.	2766/16
Include other relevant criteria in the Plan (with specific reference to recreation 3) to reflect that potential effects should be assessed upon sites within catchments (rather than just adjacent sites) and based upon a permitted baseline.	2908/6
That the Plan be reassessed and objectives, policies, rules and assessment criteria be developed to recognise and provide for and implement the threshold limits arising from that inquiry and to set and maintain the upper limit on development that it is determined can be accommodated in the islands of the Gulf. Change the Plan (particularly at parts 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 10a, 10b, 10c, 11, 12, 13 and 14) to implement the reassessed thresholds.	2942/1
Waiheke is unique. The rules of Auckland city do not apply here.	2998/5
Clearer definition of the extent of the coastal environment.	3078/1
Seeks that the Plan reflects the wishes of private property owners rights to designate conservation areas through covenants or reserve requirements	3089/3
Opposes any onerous conditions or rules in the Plan relating to roading on Great Barrier.	3104/11
That the use of "adjacent sites" be replaced by, "any exposed property ", throughout the Plan.	3177/1
The introduction into the Plan of appropriate to Waiheke landscape protection and enhancement methodologies	3400/3
All issues to be linked with a new additional sustainable management part of the Plan.	3400/4
Wishes to see provisions in the Plan which will retain rather than detract from the intrinsic value of the Hauraki Gulf islands, in terms of conservation of the natural form, protection of vegetation, wetlands, coastal form, ecology and habitat of wildlife, and amenity value.	3574/2
Location of building sites must be carefully managed to avoid rather than mitigate the cumulative effects of that development on the environment and ecology of the	3574/4

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particular area, and the wider island region.	
Within the text of the proposed Plan there is various use of the terms "sensitive" and "significant" in reference to land features and landform, and other environmental features, and impacts on these. The terms "sensitive" and "significant" need to be clearly defined so that use of these terms in the Plan has a consistent message.	3574/8
Provide a greater control in the Plan over the effects of greatly increased tourist flows on Great Barrier, particularly as regards public access information, removal of fences and other obstructions from the council - controlled legal roads, and mitigation of potential and actual damage to rare native flora and fauna, and to private land.	3695/6
The formulation of Objectives, Rules and Policies to provide protections for the islands ecology and communities from the trends of globalization eg population increase and mobility, peak oil, sea level rise, global warming.	3702/1
Include a new part 15: Sustainable management Issues and Methodologies: This new part 15 - a more coherent and holistic focus - would assume a new and novel multilayered coherent strategy and would include, among other issues, good science analysis protocols, the adoption of better planning tools to facilitate pragmatic ongoing sustainable management goals and associated community and educational goals, and more devolved governance. eg - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated wastewaters and waters and catchment management • Catchments as management zones to enable integrated management • Minimum water use strategies • Rigorous cost benefit alternatives analysis protocols • Enhanced coastal landscape and wetlands and biodiversity management • Adaption management for climate change • Support for enhanced energy management protocols • Support for solar heating, windfarms electricity generation, park & ride • The adoption of a Waiheke Island Gulf Design Panel • The adoption of "sustainability design codes" and "community scale design codes" and "community amenity management codes". • Public health benefits management (eg from a greater emphasis upon walking and cycling) • Support for cost competitive video uplinking capacity broadband internet, to enable less need to commute and to foster island employment • Support for community sustainability and education initiatives such as "Waicare", Enviro-schools, "Beachcare", cycling clubs, walkways, fauna and flora enhancement, Waiheke Waste Resources Trust, heritage protection, and associated social, economic and cultural community well-being issues. • Recognition that Sustainability is a Community and Governance Issue 	3715/26
Include compensatory principles and mechanisms in the Plan to off-set the regulatory regime where owners rights are curtailed, severely restricted or extinguished.	3787/3, 3790/3, 3793/3
Include compensatory mechanisms within the definitions of landforms 1 (coastal cliffs and slopes), 2 (dune systems and sand flats), and 4 (wetland systems), and within landforms 6 (regenerating slopes) and 7 (forest and bush), and where any changes have been introduced to previous land use definitions.	3787/5, 3790/5, 3793/5

Note:

- Submission 1192/1 removed from further processing as submission 1192 found to be a duplicate of submission 2735 which has been addressed in miscellaneous submissions. There were no further submissions to either submission.