

# Submission Form



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## Your Details

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Do you wish to present your comments to Council in person at a hearing? Yes  No

Please note that your submission (including any personal information supplied) will be made available to Councillors and the public. Submissions Close on 12 April 2019 at 5pm.

## Submission Questions

1. Tell us what you think about the proposal that Council gives a \$250,000.00 suspensory loan to Water Holdings CHB Ltd to keep the prospect of water storage alive in Central Hawke's Bay.

3. Do you support the establishment of the Disaster Relief Fund Trust?

2. Do you agree with the changes to the Revenue & Financing Policy?

4. Do you have any feedback on the Draft Environmental Strategy?

Any other suggestions?



C.H.B. District Council.

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Porangahau Memorial Hall Committee ask the council to resurface the asphalt court situated behind the fire brigade adjacent to the hall.

The existing court is in an extremely bad state with several holes, slippery patches and loose gravel making it unsafe to play on.

There are twenty three registered net ball players trying to train on the courts from Porangahau Rugby and Netball club from Easter weekend until Labour weekend.

Net ball players represent the wider community coming from Porangahau, Wainuiomata, Herbetville and Flemington districts and last year they came second in their senior grade.

From Labour weekend until Easter there are several tennis players and throughout the year local school children and youth have access

to the courts where they play on half a court shooting hoops and using the existing wally wall.

The senior netball team is affiliated to the Porangahau Rugby Club whom support them by supplying the night lights and paying the power bill as well as keeping the court area tidy.

The court is used by several family groups through out the summer season and we consider the up grade to the court to be beneficial to the local people of all ages and both genders.

Regards.

Carol Dingsby.

Chair, Porangahau Memorial Hall.

CENTRAL MANAGES BAY DISTRICT COUNCIL

SUBMISSION REGARDING PLANNING FOR WASTE  
WATER DISPOSAL AT PORANGAHHAN.  
DON STEVENSON.

BY WAY OF HISTORY I WOULD LIKE TO  
REINFORCE THE FINDINGS, AGREEMENTS  
AND COMMITMENTS ALREADY MADE  
SOME YEARS AGO  
(COPY OF "LONG TERM WASTE WATER

TREATMENT STRATEGY FOR "  
PORANGAHHAN AND TE PAERAHU  
APRIL 2012 )

AS A MEMBER OF THE PORANGAHHAN ENVIRON-  
MENTAL MANAGEMENT TEAM,  
I AM AWARE OF THE CHANGES IN PERSONNEL  
AND THE LACK OF PROGRESS IN THE PAST.

IT IS MY HOPE THAT THE WORK ALREADY  
DONE WITH REGARD TO THESE RECOMMENDATIONS  
BE CONTINUED WITH.

① NO WASTE WATER INTO RIVERS  
OR BEACH AREAS

\* ② MOVE PORANGAHHAN AND TE PAERAHU PONDS,  
③ CONSIDER WORM FARMS AS VIABLE OPTION.

\* SEE MAP

OVER.

PERSONAL OPINION

I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO ESTABLISH FACILITIES AWAY FROM WATERWAYS SO THAT WE DO NOT RELY ON THE EASY OPTION OF USING RIVERS AS CUTTERS TO THE SEA.

THE TE PĀERĀHI WORM FARM CONTROLLED FACILITY WOULD BE AWAY FROM BEACH DEVELOPMENT AND STILL ACCESSIBLE FOR IRIGATAU ETC.

THIS INFORMATION IS BASED ON PREVIOUS AGREEMENTS AS WELL AS MY OWN PERSONAL IDEAS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

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**Subject:** FW: Submission on Central Hawkes Bay Annual Plan 2019-2020 IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED SUSPENSORY LOAN to Water Holdings CHB Limited

Kia ora Monique

As per our korero, please accept this submission on behalf of:

Waipukurau Community Marae  
Mataweka Marae

## **SUBMISSION ON THE CENTRAL HAWKES BAY ANNUAL PLAN 2019-2020 IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED SUSPENSORY LOAN TO WATER HOLDINGS CHB LIMITED**

Tēnā koutou katoa

We collectively and strongly oppose the proposal that the Council grant a suspensory loan of \$250,000 to Water Holdings CHB Ltd, a private company owned by six shareholders, for the following main reasons:

1. The suspensory loan on the terms indicated in the Central Hawkes Bay District Council's proposal is disguised as a loan, but in reality is a grant, with no realistic chance that it will be repaid.
2. The grant commits the Central Hawkes Bay District Council to endorsing a course of action which has, in effect, a single goal: *'The building of a dam on the Makaroro Stream as proposed by the RWSS'*. Water Holdings CHB Limited purchased the Intellectual Property from HBRIC which includes purchase of the RWSS Resource Consents.
3. The proposition from Water Holdings CHB Limited aim is to resurrect a plan for water storage in Central Hawke's Bay that has already been discredited.  
*Note: 'The board sat for 29 days and considered about 28,000 pages of evidence in considering the resource content application for the Ruataniwha Water Storage Scheme and Plan Change 6.'*
4. Water Holdings CHB Limited assurances of economic development, employment and environmental benefits of this proposal cannot be relied upon as these assurances are premised on the defunct and discredited Ruataniwha Water Storage Scheme as partly its case collapsed because private investors could not be convinced of the business case, farmers were unwilling to pay the (subsidised) price of the water, and the transfer of necessary DoC land was found to be unlawful. It was found that the

RWSS was not beneficial to Mana Whenua in any form either environmentally or economically.

5. If the proposal proves to be viable, the ratepayers of Central Hawkes Bay and the CHBDC will receive no benefit from the grant of \$250,000 and will end up buying water from the developers at commercial rates. Marae are already buying water as access to the rivers were taken from them through commercial consents.
6. If the proposal proves not to be viable, the developers will be discharged from any obligation to repay the \$250,000 of ratepayers' money.
7. Once the loan money is granted, it becomes an asset of a private company which is legally required to make the best possible return to its shareholders – six private individuals – with no further obligations or responsibilities to the Council or ratepayers, other than the terms and conditions of the grant.
8. The proposition is in breach of both the current Rural Ward Funds and Investment policies, and disguises the need for a general rates increase by drawing down funds reserved for rural ratepayers.
9. The proposition does not support or benefit Mana Whenua, the nine (9) marae and the hapū of the Tamatea (CHB) rohe (district). All marae in Tamatea currently have minimal to no access to water and have had these challenges fall on deaf ears for the last 25 years.
10. The Water Holdings CHB Limited proposition provides no consideration, consultation and/or engagement with the Mana Whenua of the Tamatea rohe
11. The \$250,000 Water Holdings CHB Limited proposition distracts and isolates CHBDC from its own due diligence and investigation on behalf of its ratepayers and citizens exploring possible solutions and innovations for water quality and security.
12. Enabling and facilitating the \$250,000.00 grant to Water Holdings CHB Limited, CHBDC abdicates its core responsibility to ensure water security and quality for its municipal users.
13. The previous Mayor Peter Butler and fellow Councillor Sally Butler were found to have a clear conflict of interest in the RWSS which eroded the perceived integrity of the Council. This current Council is now being seen to be supporting and qualifying a private business proposal and grant which will again place the current CHBDC at risk of the same public perception and conflict (ie. Business interests at the expense of municipal responsibility).
14. This proposition completely cuts across the work of the Water Task Force, which is still developing proposals for water security drawn from and developed by a wide range of interested parties.
15. The Regional Council is about to embark on a major survey of the size and inter-relationships of the major aquifers in Hawke's Bay, to guide their own decisions on improving water security.
16. If the CHBDC has \$250,000 to spend investigating water security in CHB, it should abandon this proposition and wait for the report of the Water Task Force and the results of the Regional Council's survey to get some guidance on how to proceed.

17. The suggested caveats and conditions on the suspensory loan do not provide Mana Whenua with any confidence that whanau, marae and hapū will benefit economically or help resolve or abate any current water issues facing them today or in the near future.
18. Mana Whenua contributed greatly to the IP purchased from HBRIC by Water Holdings CHB Ltd and the return on the IP for Mana Whenua is nil. Mana Whenua are exhausted from being continually isolated from their own IP for commercial interests and gains of others.
19. The proposition by Water Holdings CHB Ltd that it aligns with the Regional Economic Development Strategy -Matariki and the Water Task Force objectives of providing security/quality of supply of water across the district negates the work of the Water Task Force, which is still developing proposals for water security drawn from and developed by a wide range of interested parties.
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## Final Comments

Mana Whenua have grave concerns about the process of this decision and the integrity of the predesigned regulatory framework to qualify this proposal.

As a Treaty Partner, our current challenges and issues regarding water security and quality are not considered or mentioned rather as usual it is homogenised and marginalised in the rhetoric of this proposal to support a private company with a grant of \$250,000.00 to advance their business interests in securing water.

Water security and quality in Central Hawkes Bay is in a challenging state for all its citizens and it is not the business of Council to put the interests of a private company above those very citizens it is charged with 'Duty of Care'.

Collaborations and innovations is what is required in the short term and the long term to get ahead of the Water security and quality challenges of our community.

Mana Whenua want to participate in those collaborations and contribute to the innovations required in future solutions.

I welcome any further discussions or clarification.

**Mauri Ora!**

*Jenny Nelson-Smith JP*

Waipukurau Community Marae Chair | Matawaka Nohomaitearangi Trustee | Te Taiwhenua o Tamatea Deputy Chair  
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