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Submission

31 October 2022

I notice with interest the letter received from TTPP to our home address @ 926 Old Christchurch road, received on the 18th of October 2022. This was specifically addressed to us regarding our property and the significance of our property to Māori.

1. I am concerned that although your letter is specifically addressed to us it makes no statement specifically as what the significance of our property is to Māori.
I note SASM 104 Kawhaka Creek catchment (Pounamu legends, Ancestors embedded in the landscape) Please clarify this, as it is unclear what is meant by Ancestors embedded in the landscape?
2. Considering that the land has been previously mined and dredged (change in landscape) farmed and occupied and mostly consist of a riverbed, how are Tupuna embedded in the current landscape?
3. Further to this I note that this is going to be put on our LIM report this would significantly decrease the value of our land. Should we in the future want to sell our property we would be negatively impacted. Why does it need to be on our LIM ?
4. What compensation is going to be put in place, if it is going to be placed on our LIM report?
5. What is the proposal for compensation, how is this going to be calculated?
6. Are we going to be consulted as to how compensation is going to be calculated?
7. Additionally, our property was bought without any encumberments, why were we not told at the time of purchase that this was going to happen?
8. Why were we as property owners not advised at the time when TTPP was set up, back in 2019? This has been an ambush situation which really is not acceptable in terms of process and consultation!
9. Why were we not advised that we are funding actions against our own property by the regional council, TTPP.
10. When did we start funding actions against ourselves? And why were we not consulted in terms of the future purpose where we find ourselves now?
11. Who is this driven by? local or government?
12. Who has set the agenda? Who is continuing to set the agenda? why were we not consulted or given an opportunity to participate? there has been no partnership, nor our rights being protected. Principles of Te Tiriti O Waitangi is

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about Participation, Partnership and Protection why were we not given the opportunity to have these extended to us.

13. What is the bigger picture, what is not being disclosed to us **now??**
14. What is the intent behind the statement
15. As we understand the Arahura river was granted/ gifted to Māori in 1998 by the New Zealand government. Why were the significant areas of interest not addressed by TTPP or the then Iwi representatives at the time.
16. How was the area specifically marked on the map established as an area of significance to Māori, what formula or methodology was used to establish the highlighted area.
17. Activities – Rule SASM – R5 this is noted as blank, what does this mean for us as property holders.
18. Schedule three is blank, so we can assume with confidence that this is not going to change and will remain blank? without further encumbrances being placed on our property?
19. The concern from our perspective is that the process is not tika nor pono! what is being done to address this
20. I am concerned that the process is not transparent. Is there a further agenda that has not been disclosed?
21. I understand that there has been research done over a three-year period. The reality is that there is no way that the given time frames that we have been given to work are equitable. What is being done to address this the imbalance of time frames and responses? There is no way we as individuals can research our position with such short notice, what extensions will we be given to further research ?

Our land is our land, we have worked on this for a significant period it is not just the value of the land it is the work and labour that has gone into, the memories it has to us and the significance it holds for our whanau.

It is leaving us with a feeling of being disenfranchised, disempowered, with no participation or voice.

The expectation for us to answer with no appropriate time frames when this has been in the works for three years is not agreeable, it is an ambush.

We would not gain an advantage an advantage in trade competition as through this submission, status quo remains the same. Land was purchased for us and our whanau to live on.

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We want to be heard at the hearing and have our questions in our submission answered kanohi ki te kanohi [face to face]

I would consider a joint submission, however face to face with the people pushing this. As I have serious doubts about tika and pono considering the process thus far.

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