

SUBMISSION 131

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I could gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission

No

The specific provisions of the proposed Plan Change that my submission relates to are as follows

PC50

My submission is that

My submission is that: USE ADDITIONAL PAPER IF NECESSARY Although I do not live in Whitemans Valley I am a regular visitor as my family live there. I have three concerns:

1. I find that Blue Mountains Hill is becoming a death trap with people simply not driving to the conditions and taking sufficient care when negotiating the corners. On several occasions I have had to take evasive action to prevent a head-on collision. With the proposed new housing development this is only going to exacerbate the situation on the roads with a huge increase of traffic that will be using the hill.
2. My grandsons are nearing the driving age and, with them living in Whitemans Valley, it is inevitable they will learn to drive as there is no public transport. Currently their parents act as taxi drivers for the boys. Again, the thought of them being inexperienced drivers on such a dangerous hill fills me with fear if and when they come in contact with the current dangerous drivers using the hill. It is not an easy hill to negotiate at the best of times, either going up or down, but with more cars on the road it will be a recipe for disaster. Often the alternative route through the valley is simply not suitable option.
3. My third point is regarding where people choose to live. It is a dream for my family to now be living in the valley, as I am sure it is for all residents of Whitemans Valley. To be able to live rurally, yet still be so close to Silverstream and Upper Hutt is a privilege that

the residents have saved hard for. It is their dream. To now realise that the Council are hell bent on filling the rural land with a whole new subdivision is simply cruel. Our home should be our sanctuary, our safe and happy place. The current residents' dreams are being shattered with the proposed housing development. And where will it end? Is this just the start of filling up Whitemans Valley with huge housing developments?

I seek the following decision from the local authority

I strongly urge the Council to reconsider PC50 proposal and not to go ahead with the Plan Change.

Please indicate whether you wish to be heard in support of your submission (tick appropriate box)

I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission.

please indicate whether you wish to make a joint case at the hearing if others make a similar submission (tick appropriate box)

I do not wish to make a joint case.
