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Dear Rachel

**Hearing: Private Plan Change 11: Bardowie Industrial Precinct, Hautapu
Submission**

KiwiRail Holdings Limited (KiwiRail) made a submission on Plan Change 11 (PC11) concerning the proposed southern access from the PC11 area to Victoria Road, as it is located over land designated for railway purposes. KiwiRail was also keen to ensure that adequate traffic management arrangements were in place for if/when rail services resumed.

I am writing to confirm that KiwiRail will not attend the Plan Change hearing as good progress has been made towards reaching agreement via a Licence to Occupy (licence) between Waipa District Council and KiwiRail for the use of the proposed southern access way.

The licence notes that, should a future rail project require the removal of the proposed southern access way, KiwiRail is not responsible for the provision of an alternative access to the Industrial Precinct, and that the licence holder is responsible for communicating any risks arising from closure to affected land owners within the Precinct.

KiwiRail notes that the applicant has also confirmed that the northern access will be designed to accommodate all Precinct traffic should the southern access across KiwiRail's corridor be closed.

This meets KiwiRail's submission relief which sought;

'that an agreement be reached which allows for the use of the railway corridor for a southern access way (including appropriate arrangements for the resumption of rail services and alternative access arrangements), that PC11 incorporates appropriate measures to provide for that event'.



Design of northern access way

The northern connection to Victoria Road is being considered and designs currently include either single or dual roundabouts, as shown in the Bryan Hudson Memo in Appendix 2 of the Waipa Council Planning Report Technical Memos, Transportation and Three Waters, provided as part of the s42 report package.

The Memo notes that the intersection must be designed to accommodate future rail services and KiwiRail fully supports that objective. At-grade rail and road roundabouts may present safety issues, so KiwiRail would be keen to work closely with the northern access designers to, as noted in the Memo, ensure; *'that intersection proposals are compatible with future rail servicesin keeping with prior agreements between KiwiRail, NZTA and Waipa District Council for other intersections along the designated rail corridor'*.

If you have any queries at all please contact me.

Please note I have copied in the further submitters for their information.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Pam Butler', with a horizontal line underneath.

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