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Peter Waymouth's right of reply on behalf of Kathleen Ryan
to the adjourned hearing of LUC.2018.739 on 12.04.19

Given this opportunity, I should like thank Ms Burrows, Mr McKinlay & Mr Roberts and also acknowledge council staff for investigating the myriad complexities, arising from this tree removal application.

In this right of reply I would like reiterate the 3 key points made at hearing, in that:

1. The 9 unprotected Eucalyptus sp. trees along the shoreline of Hawksbury Lagoon shall be protected, as a condition of consent. (*ie shown on map as G089_20e-28e*)
2. The clear area $\leq 1200\text{m}^2$ created by tree removal shall be replanted within 1 year of completion of felling operations. A suitably qualified landscape architect shall be engaged to draw concept & detailed planting plans. The replanting project shall become a condition of consent.

NB A landscape architect, whose practice has been largely rural & ecology based both here in NZ & the UK, has been engaged to make a concept plan for a new garden; with urgency. The initial brief would be to restore shelter & privacy for the house & neighbours, bearing in mind the constraint of the proximity to the Hawksbury Lagoon area of special bio-diversity values. We have arranged to meet on site soon.

The native planting palette will need to use mostly local provenance stock, which should be available from a specialty nursery in Dunedin. Some North Island natives such as Pohutukawa & Northern Rata may serve to quickly fill the gap in nectar levels. Their profuse flowering habits are known to be more regular than Southern Rata in Otago.

In addition, plantings of exotic Oaks & Maples would provide autumn colour in maturity while allowing winter sunlight through after leaf-fall. Deciduous tree plantings would also provide sufficient sunlight for understorey shrubs & field layer plantings, which would compliment the new garden.

3. In addressing the removal of the listed 3 Eucalyptus sp. trees at the front gate (*G089_01b-03b*) it is clear from all the expert evidence that removal of these trees would be considered as no more than minor. This only serves to reinforce the extra evidence which was tabled at the hearing.



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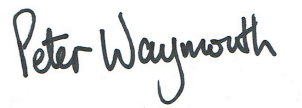
Conclusion

Given that the 2 conditions of consent are accepted as follows:

1. Listing of 9 Eucalyptus sp. trees along the shoreline of Hawksbury Lagoon
2. Replanting of the garden according to a professional landscape architect's plan within 1 year of tree removal being completed.

I would ask that the planner's recommendation in review of a potentially 'true exception' be considered, subject to the above 2 conditions of consent, in regard to this application.

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