

FORM 13

SUBMISSION ON A PUBLICLY OR LIMITED NOTIFIED APPLICATION CONCERNING RESOURCE CONSENT



Section 96 Resource Management Act 1991 (Rotorua Lakes Council is the operating name of Rotorua District Council)

To: Chief Executive Rotorua Lakes Council Private Bag RO3029 ROTORUA	Name of Submitter: <u>David Alexander M'Pherson</u> _____ _____ (Full Name)
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This is a submission on an application from:

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(Name of applicant)

for a Resource Consent to: continue to use the existing site and buildings (Ascot on Fenton) for contracted emergency housing until 15/12/25
 at: 247 Fenton Street and 12 Toko Street, Rotorua
 [Briefly describe the type of consent, proposed activity, and location of the resource consent]

The specific parts of the application that my submission relates to are:

The application as a whole

[Give Details]

My submission is:

I oppose the application.
See over for details

[include -

- whether you support or oppose the specific parts of the application or wish to have them amended; and
- the reasons for your views]

I seek the following decision from the consent authority:

Refuse consent to the application

[Give precise details, including the general nature of any conditions sought]

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

- * If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing.
- * [Delete if you would not consider presenting a joint case]

Signature of submitter (or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter): <u>David Alexander M'Pherson</u>	Date: <u>14/8/24</u>
Address for service of Submitter:	Telephone:
Contact person: [name and designation, if applicable]	Fax/email:

My submission is:

The social impact of the application is serious. Shoplifting has become a significant problem since motels have been used for contracted emergency housing. I have heard several stories, including from shop staff, of people taking full trolley loads out without paying and seemingly without consequences.

The wrap around services that are supposedly provided have little influence on unruly behaviour. There are no known instances of people being removed from emergency housing on account of behavioural incidents and consequently the services provide no incentive to change unacceptable behaviour.

The effects on Rotorua's tourism industry are still evident with our city's reputation of being a safe place having been significantly diminished.

It is noteworthy that MHUD are making the application on behalf of the motel operator and are not accepting any responsibility for the consequences of the adverse effects that have followed.

The condition requiring exit plans is a farce. No exit plans have been submitted by any of the motels that have ceased operating under the previous consents despite the consent requirement. While such plans should be submitted at least six months before the consent expiry, the major penalty for non-compliance is cancellation of the consent which then renders any exit plan entirely irrelevant.

The ministry does not show good faith. This was clearly brought out when it announced that it was intending to apply for new consents for ten of the contracted motels despite a consent condition requiring consultation with Restore Rotorua and the Rotorua District Council. These bodies were completely blindsided by this. If good faith had been in evidence, any intention or need to extend the term of the consents would have been conveyed to these two bodies prior to any public announcement. It could partly remedy this breach by announcing an immediate stop for funding Te Pokapu, the triage centre for out of town homeless people.