

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)

**ROTORUA
LAKES COUNCIL**

To:

Chief Executive
Rotorua Lakes Council
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ROTORUA

Name of Submitter:

Andrew Peter Leary

[Full Name]

This is a submission on an application from [name of applicant]:

Tikanga Arora Charitable Trust

for a Resource Consent to [Briefly describe the type of consent, proposed activity, and location of the resource consent]:

To establish & operate a reintegration housing activity in the Rural Zone 1A of the Rotorua Lakes District Plan

at [The location of the resource consent]:

473 Ruaiti Road Wairakei Valley

The specific parts of the application that my submission relates to are [Give Details]:

the application in its entirety

My submission is [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 oppose the application for the reasons covered in the attached page

I seek the following decision from the consent authority [Give precise details, including the general nature of any conditions sought]:

To decline the application

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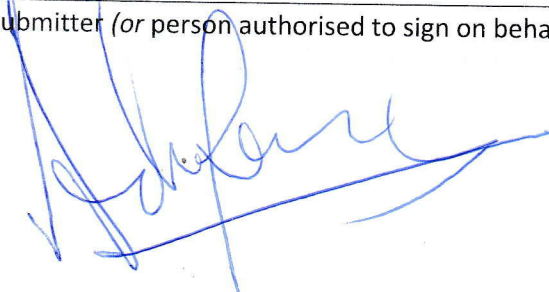
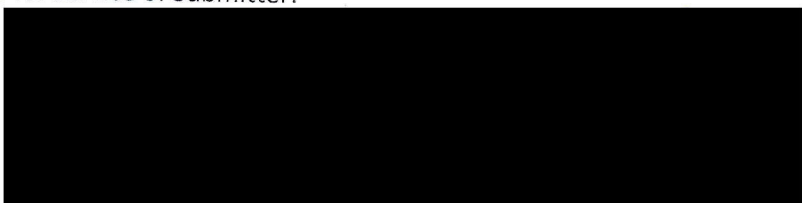
I wish to be heard in support of my submission

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

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If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing

Signature of submitter (or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter): 	Date: 24/6/25
Address for service of Submitter: 	Telephone: 
Contact person: [name and designation, if applicable]	Fax/email:

Note to submitter:

You must serve a copy of your submission on the applicant as soon as reasonably practicable after you have served your submission on the consent authority.

The information you have provided on this form is required so that your submission can be processed under the RMA, and your name and address will be publicly available. The information will be stored on a public register and held by the Council, and may also be made available to the public on the Council's website. In addition, any on-going communications between you and Council will be held at Council's offices and may also be accessed upon request by a third party. Access to this information is administered in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the Privacy Act 1993. If you have any concerns about this, please discuss with a Council Planner prior to lodging your submission. If you would like to request access to, or correction of your details, please contact the Council.

We moved to Walkers Valley six years ago, and we absolutely loved the beautiful environment, and the peace and quiet that came with moving here. It gave us the inner peace that we desperately needed.

We were subjected, for eight years, to the negative effects of a council that went against what was a sensible decision as to whether or not an activity should be allowed to go ahead. In our case the council let an Aluminium Joinery factory be built on our boundary in a rural production zone, and totally ignored all the adverse effects this would have on the immediate neighbours, and the greater environment. Allowing this integration housing activity here will also have a huge impact on the residents and the environment. If this goes ahead the overwhelming mental effect on the neighbours, to start with, cannot be underestimated. There will also be a huge sense of betrayal, as I believe the council has a responsibility to protect its rate payers in circumstances such as this.

There is also the constant stress that this activity will cause - worry about personal safety, in this case will probably be paramount. But also there will be the feeling of not being able to escape the obvious differences in the environment - visual pollution from the institution itself, the lights, the increased traffic noise & general increase in noise from the site.

Also none can absolutely ensure that this institution being built here will not result in the locals being put at risk. Accidents can and will, always happen. The response time here will be slow because this is a remote and isolated area.

Before we came here, a local resident at the bottom of our road hired prison labour, resulting in two inmates escaping for half a day.

This is a beautiful farming community and I

absolutely abhor the fact that someone can decide that Waikite Valley is the appropriate place for an institution such as this - and create all the work that then has to go into ensuring that this does not happen. And it is not even a permitted activity! It is so wrong.

We came to Waikite Valley in need of the environment such as it currently provides, and I will do everything in my power to ensure it stays that way.