



STAFF REPORT

TO: Environment & Planning Subcommittee

FROM: Michael Durand - Co-ordinator Natural Resources Consents

REFERENCES: RM070048

SUBJECT: **B R REILLY, J M REILLY, D A EARLE and G R MILNES - REPORT EP07/11/16** - Report prepared for 26 and 27 November hearing

1. INTRODUCTION

The applicant proposes to establish a tourist venture in the Pupū Valley, Golden Bay, which involves a visitor centre with a large freshwater aquarium, accommodation units and dining facilities. A suite of resource consent applications have been made and these have been assessed in a number of individual staff reports.

2. LAND DISTURBANCE ACTIVITIES

The applicant proposes to recontour 1600 square metres of the site to make land available for buildings, car parking and components of the development. This is a Controlled Activity and has the provision, under rule 18.6.3 and Section 94(1)(b) of the Resource Management Act 1991 to be considered without notification and without the need to provide written approvals from affected parties.

Resource consent for the activity must therefore be granted, and may be subject to conditions on matters over which the Council has reserved control.

3. RE-LOCATION OF WATERWAYS

The diversion of waterways is proposed work that is associated with land disturbance and the proposed discharge of aquarium water from the development. This activity is Discretionary under Section 14 of the Act.

4. SUMMARY

My staff reports have focussed on the key natural resources issues associated with the proposed development, being discharges of wastewater and aquarium water.

This report shall be supplemented at the hearing with a detailed assessment of the proposed earthworks and works in waterways.

Recommended consent conditions shall also be tabled at the hearing.

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