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PUKEHANGI HEIGHTS PROPOSED SUBDIVISION

STATEMENT FROM AFFECTED OWNER

I am Jill Revell and own 217A Pukehangi Road which is adjacent on the south side to Paul Summers proposed subdivision. I have owned my property since 1990 and over that period of time have had to deal with some 5 damaging floods because around our common boundary is a flood plane and valley which can be inundated with water from the hills beyond. These flood events are becoming more common perhaps caused by global warming.

The proposed subdivision land belonging to Paul Sumner across our boundary is some 250mm lower than our property which means my land has been able to handle the flood water load more or less up to the present. However if the owners land is built up or even at the same level as mine, my property will not be able to cope with future flood water because that would divert more water onto my property perhaps destroying my garden.

There has been one extreme flood event in the past which destroyed garden paths and covered the garden with debris.

I have had a site visit from Council Engineers straight after a flood event and shown them the extent of the most recent storm which had flood water about 20 metres wide and 250mm deep running down the adjacent property. Evidence of the different levels between our properties, how my property deals with flood events and photos of this flood event were given to the Engineers.

A proposed subdivision plan has been given to me which shows a forebay with the present land lowered into a pond and beyond that a pond area with a 600mm outlet pipe which if executed would alleviate my fears of a flood event affecting my property.

In essence if the adjacent land level is left as is or is lowered as per subdivisional plan given to me which shows drainage ponds I would have no objection to the proposal.

I fully support the subdivision proposal particularly the green belts between housing lots, the colour reflectivity of the future housing so that from the city the subdivision will blend into the landscape very much as Parklands does at present.