

**BEFORE THE INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL**

**IN THE MATTER** of the Resource Management Act 1991

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER** Proposed Plan Change 12 to the  
Operative Hamilton City District Plan

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**MEMORANDUM OF NIALL BAKER  
FOR THE JOINT OPENING HEARING**

**DATED 14 FEBRUARY 2023**

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## MEMORANDUM

1. I filed a Statement of Evidence for the Session 1, Joint Opening Hearing in relation to Hamilton City Council's Proposed Plan Change 12 [dated 31 January 2023]. I am also part of a grouping of submitters who filed an opening statement for these proceedings [dated 9 February 2023].
2. I am now unable to present evidence in person or remotely so ask my evidence be tabled for this Joint hearing.
3. I wish to bring to the Panel's attention an error in my Statement of Evidence. In paragraph 5.14 [page 7] I omitted to include reference to part of Jacqueline Maree Colliar's statement of evidence. I have repeated the full paragraph below underlining the additional wording as intended:

*I have some disagreement with the Ms Colliar who considers "PC12 seeks to introduce new plan provisions which enable increased levels of residential intensification in the City. It seeks to do so in a targeted manner" (para 29). Whilst there are some areas of higher density proposed in PC12 and Te Ture Whaimana o Te Awa o Waikato (TTW) is proposed as a qualifying matter, there are still widespread increases in permitted housing density throughout the city via the application of the MDRS. There may be a risk of significantly compromising Hamilton City Council's ability to plan, invest and deliver infrastructure in time to service the level of enabled development in a coordinated and cost-efficient manner. Any introduction of blanket MDRS across all relevant residential zones needs the infrastructure (hard and social) to be aligned to support healthy communities as per the NPS-UD.*

4. Paragraph 5.14 of my evidence should have included the additional sentence from Ms Colliar's statement, as above.

Dated at Hamilton this 14 day of February 2023.



Niall Baker