Mr Stitchbury,

I advise that, at this stage, it is not proposed to answer the 30 specific questions mentioned in your submission. Those questions were made to the Council in the form of a submission, and the Council's response to that submission is its decision, a summary of which has been sent to each submitter, and a full copy is available on request. Do you wish a copy of this to be sent to you (there is a charge of $40.00 because of the size of the document)?

We will, however, consider a request for information from you if you formulate appropriate specific questions which also meet the following requirements:

1. Information requested is for information that already exists, and does not require any research to provide it or entail creating new information.
2. Information requested is of a factual or technical nature, and does not entail an expression of opinion or judgment.
3. You are happy to pay the reasonable costs associated with collating and copying any information provided. The rate for each hour involved is $56.00 per hour.

On receipt of your further advice, a formal decision will be made on your request, and consideration given to what information will be made available.

In relation to the final part of your email, I advise that the Council received copies of all submissions, regardless of whether submitters wished to be heard or not, and in your case, listened to you or asked questions for at least 15 minutes. Like other submission processes, the Council received a wide range of information, but the reality is that the final decision is not always one everybody will agree with. It is up to the Council to consider the information it receives, and to decide how much weight should be given
to any piece of information. Further, some concerns raised will be relevant
to the consideration of any resource consent application.

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Subject: Submission process

Dear Mr Annabell,
I made a submission ( number 347 ) on the Turitea reserve change of purpose and in this submission I asked 30 specific questions. Not one of these questions has been answered either orally by the council or in writing. Could you now that the submission process is over provide me with a prompt written response to these questions. A failure to do so would indicate that the process was neither fair nor robust and that the submitters were simply engaging in an essay writing contest for the amusement of the council as the decision was an already forgone conclusion. Could you also provide me with evidence that my submission was taken seriously and that it had an influence on the outcome of the submission process. I await your reply with interest.
Sincerely
Paul Stichbury.

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