

# Submission on resource consent application

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**Submitter details**

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**Application details**

Application number	RC2024-31		
Full name of applicant(s)	Tim Fergusson		
Address of proposed activity	19A Baird Road, Opotiki		
Description of proposed activity	Residential Care Facility		

**Submission details**

My/our submission:

Supports the application

Opposes the application

Neutral regarding the application

The specific parts of the application to which my/our submission relates to are:

Our submission relates to supporting the application to have this residential care facility in the community.

The reasons for my/our submission are:

This facility provides residential care and support for whānau who have volunteered to undertake a programme to address drug dependency issues they have. They are not being forced to take on this support, they are still able to live independently so they dont require full time care and are not a risk to the community. **See attached Additional Support Notes for consideration.**

The decision I/we would like Ōpōtiki District Council to make is (including, if relevant, the parts of the application you wish to have amended and the general nature of any conditions sought):

We would like the Ōpōtiki District Council to endorse the application for the residential care facility at 19a Bairds Road, Opotiki.

**Submission at the hearing**

- I/we wish to speak in support of my/our submission.
- I/we do not wish to speak in support of my/our submission.
- If others make a similar submission, I/we will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing.

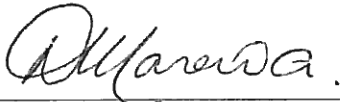
**Information for submitters**

Ōpōtiki District Council must receive this submission before the date and time indicated. You must also provide a copy of this submission to the applicant at the applicant's address for service as soon as reasonably practicable.

All submitters will be advised of hearing details at least 10 working days before the hearing. If you change your mind about attending the hearing, please phone Ōpōtiki District Council so that the necessary arrangements can be made.

Privacy information: Ōpōtiki District Council requires the information provided on this form to process your submission under the RMA and to collect statistics. The council will hold and store the information, including all associated reports and attachments, on a public register. The details may also be made available to the public on the council's website. These details are collected to inform the general public and community groups about all consents that have been processed or issued through the council. If you would like to request access to, or correction of any details, please contact the council.

**Declaration**

Submitter's signature		Date	11.08.24
Submitter's signature		Date	
Submitter's signature		Date	


**Declaration for the agent authorised to sign on behalf of the submitter**

Agent's full name			
Agent's signature		Date	

**ATTACHMENT TO SUBMISSION SUPPORTING RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY  
AT 19A BAIRDS ROAD, OPOTIKI**

- A local facility is more accessible to individuals and their whānau. Being close to whānau allows for easier visitation, whānau involvement and community support during treatment.
- Staying in the local area helps individuals to maintain connections with their community, their whānau, hapu, iwi, their friends and their social networks. This integration can positively impact recovery and reduce feelings of isolation.
- This facility can tailor their programs to address specific cultural needs and preferences, ensuring a more personalised approach to treatment.
- Sending people out of the area can disrupt their lives significantly. Local facilities minimise this disruption, allowing individuals to maintain work, school and other commitments while receiving treatment.
- Local facilities can collaborate with existing healthcare providers, ensuring a smoother transition from detoxification or outpatient services to residential care. This continuity enhances overall treatment outcomes.

In summary, having an AOD residential care facility locally promotes accessibility, community ties, cultural relevance and better continuity of care for those individuals seeking treatment.

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