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Tēnā koe Nicholas,

## PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE AND SUBDIVISION OF 259 ALFORD FOREST ROAD, ASHURTON

Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua (Arowhenua) and Aoraki Environmental Consultancy Limited (AECL) thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed plan change and subdivision consent application seeking to create 12 allotments and a road to vest with Council (Project 20-206, Dated July 2024) that David Harford Consulting Limited have prepared for 259 Alford Forest Road, Ashburton on behalf of Pajanti Limited.

Having reviewed the private plan change application and technical reports prepared for the 12 residential allotment development, proposed road and associated servicing and utility connections, Arowhenua and AECL do not oppose the proposed development of the site.

If Ashburton District Council are in a position to approve the subdivision resource consent, Arowhenua ask that an Accidental Discovery Protocol Condition is imposed to ensure that in the case of any bones and/or archaeological artefacts discovered during the construction period, that the relevant procedures are undertaken appropriately. In addition to this, Arowhenua ask that any landscape planting undertaken during the final stages of the construction that these be suitable indigenous species that can tolerate the cold and dry conditions experienced in the Ashburton District. Appropriate sourced indigenous species have a higher rate of success and do not require the same volume of water during the summer months to thrive.

Please contact our Principal Planner Kylie Hall on 0276223460 or via email at kyliehall@aecltd.co.nz if you have any further questions.

Ngā mihi,

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