

ID	Type	Support?	Reason	Name	Organisation
HHMC19/1	E-Mail	Yes	In supporting the principal of renewing the lease at the Houhora Campground , I request In light of the increasing visitors to the region ,that Council review's its strategic approach to the use of local and visitor amenities, particularly focused on all camp grounds . Tourist/visitor numbers are or will swamp local community interests in the Far North and rather than simply being swamped we need to have a managed approach ensuring : 1.0 Priority booking and pricing for Far North ratepayers ,le increased chargers for out of region visitors 2.0 Further development enhancements to all camp sites including those managed by the Department of Conservation (increase planting for sun and wind shade , superior basic amenities) I would also like council to review the status of campground ownership to ensure future local politicians are never able to sell off the camp sites . It may be appropriate to change the current campsites legal status ,ensuring they are in trust for future generations .	Guy Jacobsen	
HHMC19/2	E-Mail	Yes	I've noticed what appears to be a technical error in this notice and this error may need to be corrected to avoid possible vexatious objection. The notice correctly identifies the subject property as Lots 1 and Pt Lot 2 DP402482. It then mentions CFR reference NA778/58. This is incorrect and is in fact a much older prior CT reference. The correct reference for the subject parcels of land is Identifier 408100. I am a long time user of this facility and applaud Council for the proposed action to help ensure its future viability. My only purpose in bringing this technicality to your attention is to help the process along. Over my lifetime I've seen a gradual erosion of the availability of camp grounds. I recall that in the latter years of the old Mangonui County there was talk of the Heads camp closing as it steadily declined. My observation is that the lease to Wagners has been a good move so am happy to see this this continue.	John Haselden	
HHMC19/3	E-Mail	Yes	1. It is vital that the lessee of the camp meet the basic purpose of the Council acquiring the property. Originally it was owned by the youngest Subritzky brother at the time that our historic property was also purchased by the eldest brother and has always been a camping spot for locals and visitors " hence the local community strong request that the property not remain in private ownership when it was last put on the market but for the Council to procure it and ensure the Far North community in particular could have it as a general family camp. 2. We support the concept of a private lease to a suitable operator that ensures that it remains a camp suitable for families with appropriate standards of behaviour, etc maintained for the benefit of all. It was for this reason that we became involved. Despite Council efforts the camp was losing a substantial sum - my memory was \$30,000 > \$35,000 pa when it was initially offered for lease. Though under considerable pressure as a consequence of my father passing on just 18 months earlier I took it over to ensure that our immediate neighbour to our historic property would meet expectations of the original purpose of Council ownership and maintain standards appropriate to the use of our property. 3. We support a good length of lease as the only way to fairly and practically spread development costs. Initially we didn't have that and spent substantial capital in lieu of rent on mutual trust, then paying rent as well as funding further improvements. Initially the facilities were almost nil - even the water was peat-stained, no hot water or power sites, kitchen, etc. My late brother Keith and his widow Cathy took over the camp from me, continuing major capital investment for more improvement - including the replacement manager's house, swimming pool, cabins, etc. 4. We believe that the lessee needs to minimise the visual impact from the harbour and beaches and maintain the general appearance of tents, caravans and cabins and avoid any substantial structures. We understand that meeting the requirements of the tourist market is vital for the profitability of the operation and the financial benefit to the District generally (but keeping it an affordable and family orientated destination is also vital) and assists funding during the off-season. 5. We need to work with whoever leases the camp and therefore appreciate opportunity to input on the matter. We supply all the water to the camp. We supply the centre part of our commercial building as a workshop and storage area for the camp. We own and maintain the car wash utilised by many campers. We provide additional land area for campers with dogs and sewage disposal, etc from those camping on the part of the Council land west of the Heads Rd. Campers enjoy access to our historic property, and it is important to us that appropriate standards apply. 6. The existing lessee does well in meeting the above criteria.	Owen Wagener	Wagener Houhora Heads Endowment Trust Inc