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17 Makora Road
Otaihanga
Kapiti Coast.
15th March 2007:

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Referred to	Int
G. Campbell	

General Manager Corporate Services
Wellington Regional Council
Wellington.

Copy: C Turver.

Dear Sir,

Re: Submission Annual Plan / Otaihanga Flood Protection.

The purpose of this letter is to ask the council to adhere to it's obligations to protect our property from flooding.

Our property has been seriously flooded twice in the last ten years and less serious flooding on two other occasions. I believe we have been very patient in waiting for protection, other houses in our neighbourhood received assistance while we just have to wait and clean up each time we flood.

I believe the protection works upstream have had their stated desired effect of channelling flood waters down stream, but unfortunately we are the last at the end of the line and have to take the brunt of all that channelled water that would have in past floods spread out upstream and then flowed down when the flood subsided.

We are in a state of constant alert every time it rains and on the last occasion when our section was flooded it was only good fortune that it happened in a weekend and we were able to put down sand bags and prevent the new carpet and furniture only just replaced from being damaged. This incident happened after the channel was cleared and the shingle removed.

I list below the promises of help, that continually get delayed another year and respectfully suggest that it is only natural justice that the council provide us with some assistance.

September 2000.

Meeting at boating club, raise Otaihanga Rd 2001, raise Makora Rd 2002, and lift our

home 2006.

April 2001.

Meeting at boating club, raise Makora Rd 2002; lift our home 2005/6.

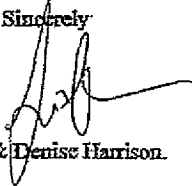
18 June 2004.

In reply from a letter I sent to the council, I received a reply stating the work was programmed 2006/07. Starting July 2006. (File # N/06/09/01)

The assistance we are asking for is the raising of our home above the 100 year flood level, as decided by the community during extensive consultation over many years. To my knowledge our property is the only one that would require lifting, as other homes have been removed or substantially re built.

As stated above we have been patient waiting for our turn for assistance only to continually be delayed. To this day I can not understand why we are left out in the cold while other ratepayers only a few doors away who experienced no worse flooding than us receive assistance.

Yours Sincerely



John & Denise Harrison.