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Hi Fiona,

The email below has come in from one of the PC28 submitters (Jane Batchelor). The submitter has requested that it be provided to the Panel. Are you able to forward it to the Panel so they can review?

Thank you for your help.

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From: Jane Batchelor <janelbatch@gmail.com>
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Kia ora Emma,

I was asked by panel member Megan McKay 'who the Burkes Pass Heritage Trust represented' and she wanted to understand the relative representation of the BP Residents Association?

To clarify my answer to the panel; the Trust is a legal entity, has 5 trustees including local representation, 1 full time resident, 2 part time residents and 2 ex long term residents, we do not have a formal membership but instead communicate regularly with approximately 300 people by their supplied email (have an option to opt off) in the area, district and nation wide, and 560 followers on public facebook, and a web site. Involvement of the small local population and people in the wider area is key to our success.

The Burkes Pass Residents Association is a loose arrangement with a nominated secretary, but no formal membership. It meets sporadically and infrequently as a general gathering of people in the township in response to communicating with the council about a need (such as water supply issues) or to organize a social event. The Association does not undertake projects around the township however several local people volunteer with BPHT projects. The last meeting was about 3 years ago and prior to that was about 7 years ago. The secretary will send out occasional reminders of important events or council issues she is aware of. No BP Residents Association meetings, surveys or general feedback have occurred about the plan. Hence there was absolutely no mandate in this instance for the secretary to submit on the residents behalf and the assumptions made were significantly mistaken.

There is considerable overlap of the people involved and the only valid information regarding support or opposition to this plan is from individual submissions to council. The BPHT is very careful to maintain positive relationships in the township, it is too small to do otherwise.

I would like the panel to have this information and to add to the public documentation,

Nga mihi, kind regards

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