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Dear Brian

**Response to official information request regarding Annual Report 2019-2020**

I refer to your request for official information received on 24 November 2020 regarding our recently finalised Annual Report. You requested information as follows:

*The Council has recently finalised the annual report for the 2019 - 2020 year. The Council's website says this: "Annual Report was looked over by independent auditors, on the Auditor-General's behalf, to make sure everything we are reporting is spot-on."*

*The annual report says this: "The Porirua District Plan was changed to rezone the Plimmerton Farm area as residential, allowing urban development." However, the district plan zoning on Plimmerton Farm has not been changed.*

*Does the Council have an explanation for the annual report including inaccurate and misleading information?*

The wording in the Annual Report should have referenced *Proposed Plan Change 18: Plimmerton Farm*, rather than suggesting the District Plan was changed. This was an oversight on the part of the report writers. Thank you for bringing it to our attention.

We have now corrected the wording in the online and PDF versions of the Annual Report. Please see the paragraph below showing the change in italics.

**Plimmerton Farm District Plan change**

Porirua grew by nearly 10 per cent between the 2013 census and 2018 census. The city needs to expand to accommodate this growth. *In response, the Proposed Plan Change 18 was initiated* to rezone the Plimmerton Farm area as residential, allowing urban development. While there is still a lot of work to do, the planned development will allow for up to 2000 homes to be built in the north.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Kieran Brown at [Kieran.brown@porirua.govt.nz](mailto:Kieran.brown@porirua.govt.nz).

Ngā mihi

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Wendy Walker'.

Wendy Walker  
Chief Executive  
Kaiwhakahaere Matua