

**BEFORE THE HEARING COMMISSIONERS
AWANUI**

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991
(**RMA** or **the Act**)

AND

IN THE MATTER of Proposed Far North District Plan 2022

**SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE OF AMY TAPPER (CORPORATE) ON BEHALF
OF WAIUAU BAY FARM LIMITED**

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SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

1. For over 25 years, Waiaua Bay Farm Limited better known as Kauri Cliffs has contributed to the local economy, driven by visitor spending from discerning tourists.
2. The business has provided employment and career opportunities to Northlands, and local suppliers have benefited from continuous capital spend. We enjoy strong local supplier relationships with the hospitality, golf and farm operations.
3. The Robertson family have a enduring commitment to Kauri Cliffs and its ongoing success as a premier visitor destination. Beyond business success, the family demonstrate great pride in their contributions to New Zealand, it's people and the environment.
4. Environmental stewardship is a value that Waiaua Bay Farm Ltd and the Robertson family hold dear. It is not only evidenced through retired pasture, extensive native planting, the QEII covenanted area at Kauri Cliffs - but also at our properties Cape Kidnappers and Matakauri Lodge.
5. We strive to be good neighbours through open and supportive relationships wherever possible.
6. Waiaua Bay Farm Limited would like to develop additional visitor attractions and amenity while opening land for premium residential development. Through the development of the Master Plan we have sought to create a foundation document for the future development of the property that is sustainable and commercially viable.
7. Our objective is that any future development will uphold our values of economic and environmental sustainability while maximising the most desirable natural features of the land for property users and future residents.
8. The present Lodge Subzone is compressed and does not allow adequate space to develop guest amenity in keeping with our world class operation.
9. The current Golf Living Subzone is not ideally situated with key sites bordering farming, golf course maintenance and forestry activity. With the ambition of developing high value residential house sites the overlap with business operation is not ideal.

10. The proposed zoning adjustments address these concerns, while the Master Plan provides a road map of how responsible development can be achieved.

Amy Tapper

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