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The specific provision that my submission relates to is:

I / We: Oppose the submission of:
Waiheke Island Airpark Resort Limited (submission 1100)

I / We: Oppose these particular parts of the above submission:
2a, 2b, 3a, 3c, 3d

The reasons for my / our support or opposition to the above submission are:

2 (a) The submission presupposes that airfield activity is necessary for the island's 'economic, social, and cultural wellbeing' but we question whether this is fact or fanciful thinking on behalf of the submitters to guarantee the commercial success of their investment. In our view, it is not the function of a District Plan to guarantee commercial viability by way of specific resource concessions.

2 (b) The airfield operation, or any other business which operates on this site should be contained within the provisions of Land Form 5 under which it falls. Any need for "supporting buildings required to enable the satisfactory functioning of the airfield activity" should be accommodated under the provisions of that land unit. Unless council is prepared to alter the building coverage rules for the whole Land Form, a specific business (the airfield) should not be exempt from existing provisions. Any application for extension to the current operation should be undertaken by due process under the RMA, rather than expecting the Proposed District Plan to accommodate the commercial desires of a land owner.

3 (a) There is no need for a special purpose zone for 171 Carsons Road

3 (c) The airfield operation is currently governed in the Operative District Plan by the Waiheke Island Airfields Limited Schedule of Conditions (Appendix H - City of Auckland District Plan Hauraki Gulf Islands Section - Operative 1996 updated 03/11/05). This clearly defines limits on flight paths, noise levels, hours of operation etc These 'rules' have been in existence since the development of the airfield and the community should be comfortable with the constraints currently in place. We would suggest that this Schedule continue as the appropriate management document for the operation of the airfield.

3 (d) As previously stated, the airfield operation should be contained within the provisions of the Land Form under which it falls. We question the necessity for increased building coverage rules for a specific business, and particularly the assertion that it is necessary to include such things as "a manager's residence, other dwellings and visitor accommodation" as a requirement for the operation of an airfield.

I / We seek that:
part of the submission be disallowed

I / We wish to be heard at the council planning hearing: Yes

I / We would be prepared to present a joint case at the hearing with any others making a similar submission: Yes

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