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Re Proposed Hauraki Gulf Islands Section 2006

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We neither support nor oppose submission 560 but have some comments:

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With the many submissions to read and comment on, we did not give this one substantial time, but as they are the next door neighbour, we did have a thought. Church Bay Farm was the last place to be in Papakainga ownership on Waiheke, as the extended whanau maintained multiple homes on whanau owned land, and ran it as a farm with vegetables, fruit and sheep. It was broken up by Maori in the early 20th century when the Maori land court issued individual titles and saw them rapidly sold off (thus ending Ngati Paoa occupation). But then was reassembled as a farm by the Allison family. The Johnstone family broke it up again, yet here in the 21st century we find that an extended family is once again buying up the titles, and they are running it as a farm. Weird... as if the land knows what it wants, or at least it sure is strangely coincidental.

It seems to us that the owner should be permitted to operate it as Papakainga housing... single ownership of the land, not having to subdivide it, but be able to build a reasonable number of homes for their extended family... and avoid having to deal with the details that seem to be in the extensive submission. The fact that the extended family is Pakeha and not (to our knowledge) Maori, is irrelevant. If they wish to have Papakainga housing, let them do so, and do not apply the same rules as subdivision. It's big enough to support several homes.

I / We seek... That you think about it.

I / We do not wish to be heard at the council hearing.

I / We would not be prepared to present a joint case at the hearing with any others making a similar submission.

Signed..........Director.....Date.....27 May 2007.