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Dear Alicia,

I believe the Council should adopt a more pragmatic approach to rezoning, rather than shifting the responsibility onto landowners. This is an opportunity for the Council to enhance community development, guided by thorough analysis from our infrastructure team, which is tasked with managing structure planning and district plan changes from the many independent assessments engaged by council over the years. These hold invaluable information and should be utilised, given it was all paid by the rate payer.

The Council should have access all that in-depth information to make informed decisions.

Suggesting that landowners justify their requests indicates a lack of robust knowledge in community planning, which reflects poorly on the Council's competency.

I recommend that the Council retracts their request for landowners to contribute further assessments, regardless of practices in other districts.

Best regards,
Micah