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Dear Julie

Thank you for your letter of 15 January 2018 on behalf of the Korokoro Environmental Group (KEG) regarding the proposed Petone to Grenada (P2G) Link Road and the findings of New Zealand Transport Agency's (NZTA) 2017 Petone to Grenada Project evaluation report.

In December 2017, the NZTA announced that, based on the findings of the evaluation report, it is reconsidering the current P2G Link Road scheme and will engage with councils on the report's recommendations. In response to the report recommendations, the NZTA advises me that it will re-examine the project objectives, likely resilience outcomes, predicted construction costs and the potential environmental effects of the current P2G Link Road scheme.

The NZTA has informed me that they will be considering the transport alternatives you have proposed, including public transport links between Lower Hutt and Porirua. The NZTA has also confirmed they are aware of KEG's opposition to any option that might involve a connection through the Korokoro Valley.

I understand that the NZTA plans to engage with the community on the report findings and the next steps for the project in mid to late 2018. As a key community stakeholder, I encourage you and the members of KEG to participate in this engagement as you have done so in the past.

If you would like to discuss this matter further with the NZTA you are welcome to contact Selwyn Blackmore, Project Manager, at Selwyn.Blackmore@nzta.govt.nz or on 021 229 7936.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Phil Twyford', written over a horizontal line.

Hon Phil Twyford
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