IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under clause 14 of

Schedule 1 to the Act

BETWEEN

**BUNNINGS LIMITED** 

(ENV-2015-WLG-000058)

Appellant

AND

HASTINGS DISTRICT COUNCIL

Respondent

### BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT

Environment Judge C J Thompson sitting alone pursuant to section 279 of the Act. IN CHAMBERS

## **CONSENT ORDER**

#### Introduction

- [1] The Court has read and considered the appeal and the parties' memoranda received 25 July and 26 August 2016.
- [2] No person gave notice of an intention to become a party under s 274 of the Act.
- [3] The Court is making this order under s 279(1)(b) of the Act, such an order being by consent, rather than representing a decision or determination on the merits pursuant to s 297. The Court understands for the present purposes that:
  - (a) All parties to the proceedings have executed the memorandum requesting this order; and
  - (b) All parties are satisfied that all matters proposed for the Court's endorsement fall within the Court's jurisdiction, and conform to relevant requirements and objectives of the Act, including in particular Part 2.



Order

- [4] The Court orders, by consent, that the Proposed Hastings District Plan is amended as outlined below.
- (a) Amend Section 7.5 Light Industrial Zone, Table 7.5.5.1 to include three new rules as follows:

Rule	Land Use Activities	Activity Status
[New Rule Reference]	Building Improvement Centres on sites other than Lot 6 DP 20671 not exceeding 4,000m2 GFA	<u>RD</u>
[New Rule Reference]	Building Improvement Centres located on Lot 6 DP 20671 (regardless of GFA)	<u>RD</u>
[New Rule Reference]	Building Improvement Centres on sites other than Lot 6 DP 20671 over 4,000m2 GFA	<u>D</u>

(b) Amend Section 7.5 Light Industrial Zone, to add a new section to 7.5.8 – ASSESSMENT CRITERIA – RESTRICTED DISCRETIONARY AND DISCRETIONARY ACTIVITIES as follows:

# 7.5.8.4 ASSESSMENT CRITERIA - RESTRICTED DISCRETIONARY ACTIVITY - BUILDING IMPROVEMENT CENTRES

# <u>Landscaping</u>

- a) Whether the extent, type and nature of the landscaping proposed is sufficient to mitigate any visual effects of carparking areas on the streetscape and any neighbouring residential and open space zone environments all year around.
- b) Whether the landscape design and planting proposal adequately provides for the continued maintenance of the landscaping and plantings.

## Lighting

- c) The extent to which any lighting and glare created by Building Improvement Centres and associated car parking areas will affect residential and open space zones. Light spill should be directed away from these zones.
- d) The extent to which the proposed hours of operation of the Building Improvement Centre activity will affect the amenity and character of adjoining residential and open space zones.

# **Commercial Strategy**

e) The extent to which the proposed activity is consistent with the Commercial strategy.



# **Reverse Sensitivity**

- f) Whether there are potential reverse sensitivity effects that may arise from this type of activity operating in this location.
- g) The extent and nature of potential reverse sensitivity impacts on existing activities in the surrounding location, and the ability for those effects to be mitigated.

# **Traffic and Parking Effects**

- h) Whether any potential traffic increases will have an impact on the character and amenity of any residential properties or surrounding residential areas.
- i) Whether the location of the car parking areas on site will be directly adjacent to the street and in front of any building development and to what extent the scale and positioning of carparking areas will affect the amenity of the surrounding environment.
- (c) Amend Section 28.1 Advertising Devices and Signs District Wide by amending Table 28.1.6A as follows:

Table 28.1.6A Maximum Allowable Area of Advertising Devices			
Zone	Advertising	Area	
	Device		
Commercial Zones	All Advertising	5.0m <sup>2</sup> ; or	
and Commercial	Devices	_	
Service Activities		0.7m <sup>2</sup> of signage	
within the Large		per metre of site	
Format Retail Zone		frontage (whichever	
(excluding <u>Building</u>		is larger).*	
Improvement		(for the purposes of	
Centres and sites in		this rule site frontage	
the Central		means the length of	
Commercial Zone		the legal road	
with Designated Retail Frontage		frontage of the site).	
Retail Frontage in			
Appendix 30 and			
sites in the Large			
Format Retail Zone			
within the Mega			
Centre Concept Plan			
Area identified in			
Appendix 20).			
Building	<ul> <li>Free Standing Sign</li> </ul>	<u>5.0m²</u>	
<u>Improvement</u>			
Centres within the		Not more than 10% of	
<u>Commercial Service</u>	<ul> <li>Active Building</li> </ul>	the active building	
Zone.	Frontage Sign	<u>frontage</u> associated	
		<u>with the particular</u>	
		<u>tenancy.</u>	
	Signs are to be		
	confined within the	For the purposes of	
\ \	buildings profile,	this rule active	
J GN J	parallel to the wall	building frontage	
4		<u>means the primary</u>	



façade of a building and not fixed more which includes the than 300mm away public main from the wall. entrance.  $5m^2$ Format • Free Standing Sign. Large Activities Retailing and Commercial Not more than 10% of Service Activities the active -retail Active Building within the Large building frontage Frontage Sign Format Retail Zone associated with the (excluding sites in particular tenancy. Signs are to be Large Format confined within the Retail Zone within For the purposes of buildings profile, Mega Centre the rule active parallel to the wall this Concept Plan Area building frontage and not fixed more identified in means the primary than 300mm away Appendix 20) façade of a building from any wall. which includes the public main (For the purposes of entrance. this rule active retail frontage is the length of the front of the building).

- [5] The appeal is otherwise dismissed.
- [6] There is no order as to costs.

DATED at Wellington this

day of September 2016

C J Thompson

**Environment Judge**