

Written statement of RB & LG Whale to the Hearing Commissioners

Re: Proposed Historical Wharf Replica By Mangawhai Historic Wharf Trust
Application No.APP 040213.01.01

Our names are Reg and Lyn Whale and we have lived on Mangawhai Road since 1976. In the 44 years residing here we have actively engaged in the local community.

We thank the commissioners for the opportunity to comment on this proposal.

We do not wish to be repetitive so will keep it brief as possible.

We are actively engaged in the care of our shorebirds and Reg is and has for the last 8 years been the dedicated trapper on the wild life refuge for the New Zealand Fairy Tern Charitable Trust so have a good degree of knowledge of the plight to the shorebirds

We have read the Department of Conservation and the New Zealand Fairy Tern Charitable Trust's submissions and strongly support these.

We also question the need for the structure as

- 1 It cannot be an historical replica, as it is not a refurbishment of a current structure but a new build, given current building codes eg F4 safety from falling changes the historic content
- 2 As it will only be accessible from the water 1 hour each side of high tide pressure to dredge the channel would be considerable in spite of assurances that the applicant would sign an agreement to the contrary. Our experience shows that agreements will be challenged.
- 3 We do not believe this would be an effective use of the sensitive coastal marine area.

R.B. & L.G. Whale