

## **Chamber of Commerce supports airport zone change**

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The Kapiti Coast Chamber of Commerce says it supports Paraparaumu Airport Holding's applications for a zone change on the Paraparaumu airport land.

Chamber President Mike Olsen says the Chamber has told the developers that it will support the application to the Kapiti Coast District Council to change the airport land zoning, including having the land remain as an operational airport.

"The Chamber believes very strongly that the development concepts we have been shown will be of tremendous benefit to the future development of the Kapiti area."

"Major developments such as this normally provide benefits to the wider community that are equivalent to having more than five times the number of people employed."

"This will benefit all businesses in the community, along with the Kapiti Coast District Council, where extra reserves contributions and rates will improve economies of scale for its operation."

Mike Olsen also says the recent approval of the Western Link Road and its subsequent construction will alleviate transport issues that may arise with this development.

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