

**From:** Aoi Tsuruta aoi.t@slingshot.co.nz  
**Subject:** Re: Urgent Concern: Large Shed Being Built in Village Core  
**Date:** 7 July 2025 at 7:44 PM  
**To:** Fiona Bibby-Smith secretary@ourmapua.org

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Hi Fiona,  
Thanks so much for your reply.  
I'll keep trying to reach out to TDC.  
Many thanks  
Aoi

On 6 Jul 2025, at 22:34, Fiona Bibby-Smith <secretary@ourmapua.org> wrote:

Hi Aoi

Thank you for reaching out to the MDCA. Unfortunately our next general meeting is not until the 14th of July but you, as are any member of the community, are welcome to attend and raise the issue in the public forum section (3 min talking slot). Your letter will be circulated with the correspondence prior to then.

Your situation sounds distressing for you, but unfortunately, it is unlikely the MDCA will be able to assist directly. We would recommend you approach the Council again and ask to speak with the duty planner, who can help you 'double-check' daylight angles and other relevant compliance matters regarding the building in question.

We hope you're able to find a resolution soon and wish you all the best in pursuing a solution.

Warm regards  
Fiona BibbySmith  
(MDCA secretary)

On 2/07/2025, at 1:01 PM, aoi.t <aoi.t@slingshot.co.nz> wrote:

Dear Māpua and Districts Community Association Committee,

I hope you don't mind me reaching out during the current flood situation. I spoke with Wayne Chisnall about a personal matter, and he recommended I get in touch with you.  
Also, I contacted the council, but because everything is technically within the regulations, they're not taking any action.

I'm writing to raise a concern about a new shed that is currently being constructed directly between his house and my house in the middle of the village. Although it is said to be for parking and storage, the structure is unnecessarily high — more suited to commercial use — and it completely blocks my morning sunlight, significantly affecting both the value of my home and the overall character of the area.

The loss of sunlight between 8am and 10am each winter morning is having a serious impact on my well-being. It is very disheartening to wake up each day to such a large, out-of-place structure dominating the view.

I would greatly appreciate it if the association could raise this issue or advise me on possible next steps. The work is moving so quickly day by day, and I feel helpless.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Warm regards,  
Aoi Tsuruta