

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991 (**RMA**)

AND

IN THE MATTER of Plan Change 14 to the Waipa District Plan

HEARING DIRECTION #4 FROM THE HEARING PANEL

1. Pursuant to section 34A of the RMA, Waipa District Council (the Council) has appointed a Hearing Panel consisting of independent hearing commissioner Dave Serjeant (Chairperson) and Councilors Roger Gordon and Clare St Pierre. The Hearing Panel's function is to hear the application and submissions and make a decision on the Plan Change proposal. It is also to deal with any procedural matters.
2. On 21 March 2025 the Waipa District Council received an email from Fonterra. This email and its attachments provided additional information and evidence in relation to the information that the Hearing Panel, through Direction #2, is seeking that Council staff address in their right of reply report due on 28 March 2024.
3. The purpose of Direction #4, in the interest of maintaining a fair and open hearing, is to advise all parties that this additional information has been received, to make this information available to all parties, and to direct that Council Staff address this information in their right of reply response report.

Directions

4. The email of Fonterra dated 21 March 2025 including its attachments are to be provided to the Council's Hearings Advisor no later than midday on **25 March 2025** and shall be made available to the parties and on the Council's website no later than 5.00pm the same day.
5. The Council report (planning, economics and stormwater) being the subject of Direction #2 that is required to be made available to all parties on 28 March 2025 shall address the Fonterra email and associated attachments referenced in this Direction.
6. Any enquiries regarding these Directions or related matters should be directed to the Council's Hearings Advisor by email at districtplan@waipadc.govt.nz



Dave Serjeant, Chairperson
25 March 2025