

WAIPĀ DISTRICT COUNCIL

Proposed Plan Change 17, Hautapu Industrial Zones

MINUTE OF THE HEARINGS PANEL

Dated 26/01/2023: Minute #6

Distribution: All submitters on Proposed Plan Change 17; all further submitters who did not make an original submission on Proposed Plan Change 17; Council.

1. The Hearings Panel has received a request from Mr Mark Chrisp, on behalf of the Hautapu Landowners Group, in response to the Hearings Panel's Minute #4 of 18 January 2023.
2. Mr Chrisp advises that various availability constraints for representatives of the Hautapu Landowners Group means that the Group cannot meet the timetable set down in Minute #4 for the pre-hearing meeting scheduled on 2 February 2023.
3. Mr Chrisp did propose a revised timetable for a pre-hearing meeting at a later date, and this was supported and further expanded upon by a Memorandum of Counsel from Ms Mackintosh received by Council 25 January 2023. The Memorandum of Counsel notes that the issue of scope may yet still be resolved through discussions on a variation to Plan Change 17.
4. Council officers have advised the Hearings Panel that a proposed re-scheduling of the pre-hearing meeting raises availability constraints for a number of people who would be required to prepare for and attend a later pre-hearing meeting.
5. The Hearings Panel accordingly directs that:
 - (a) The pre-hearing meeting proposed and the timetable set down in Minute #4 are abandoned.
 - (b) If scope is still a live issue at the commencement of the Hearing on Plan Change 17 on Wednesday, 29 March 2023, it will be dealt with as a preliminary matter on that date. In the meantime and subject to any subsequent Minute issued by the Hearings Panel:
 - (i) All interested parties are invited to file evidence and legal submissions on the preliminary matter of scope in accordance with the Hearing timetable set down in Minute #1. For ease of reference, that timetable requires:

4. The Hearings Panel sets the following timetable orders for the filing of the s42A Report, evidence and legal submissions for the hearing:
 - (a) The s42A Report, including supporting reports and evidence, is to be filed by 4pm on Monday, 27 February 2023;
 - (b) Submitter expert evidence is to be filed by 4pm on Monday, 13 March 2023;
 - (c) Submitter lay evidence and any expert rebuttal evidence is to be filed by 4pm on Friday, 17 March 2023; and
 - (d) All legal submissions are to be filed by 4pm on Friday 24 March 2023.
 - (ii) The Hearings Panel will hear and consider all evidence and legal submissions on the preliminary matter of scope before making its decision on scope. The substantive hearing of evidence and submissions on Plan Change 17 will then commence.
6. All correspondence with the Hearings Panel shall be made through the following contact details:

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