

24 May 2021

Council's reference: LU/0145/20

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Attn: Mark Chrisp

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Dear Mark,

RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATION - EXTENSION OF TIME LIMIT

Application number: LU/0145/20
Applicant: Festival One Ltd
Address: 209 Whitehall Road, Cambridge 3496
Proposed activity(s): Establish and operate an annual temporary event (Christian music festival) in the Rural Zone

Thank you for your letter, dated 14 May 2021, regarding the processing of the Festival One application. As you note, the application was 'suspended' at the applicant's request on 16 October 2020, and the 130 working day period for which the suspension can be in place ended on 14 May 2021.

In light of the information provided in your letter, Council pursuant to Section 37 of the Resource Management Act 1991, agrees to an extension of time until **Friday 11 June 2021**. The extension is to provide the applicant and agent the requested time to:

- *“Complete discussions with the closest landowners with a view to securing their written approval;*
- *Consider an alternative site layout (including moving the main stage) in order to significantly reduce noise levels for neighbours;*
- *Updating the Noise Assessment in relation to the above;*
- *Consulting with Waikato Regional Council in relation to resolving the ecological and biodiversity issues raised in their submission (this is well advanced, and we are hopeful that an agreed outcome will be achieved which will be the subject of a proposed consent condition);*

- *Meeting with Tony Coutts with a view to resolving any remaining concerns in relation to traffic management. We now have a meeting scheduled with Tony on Tuesday 18 May 2021. We have got NZ Police to a position of comfort in relation to the application subject only to the traffic issues raised by Council being resolved; and*
- *Updating the application to fully document the outcomes of the actions outlined above and other modifications to the nature of the music festival to address other concerns raised."*

The reasons for this decision are:

- In interest of all parties, including Council and the submitters, the extension of time will provide the applicant sufficient time to further address the issues outlined in Council's Section 42A Report;
- There are no adverse effects on any party as a result of granting the time extension; and
- The additional time will not result in unreasonable delay.

NOTES:

1. Pursuant to Section 37(4) of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Council has taken into account the interests of any person who, in its opinion, may be directly affected by this extension, and the interests of the community in achieving adequate assessment of the effects of the proposal.
2. The Council recognises its duty under Section 21 to avoid unreasonable delay. The decision on application may not require the full period as specified above.

If you have any further questions or concerns regarding your application, please call me on 0800 WAIPADC (0800 824 723).

Yours Sincerely



Quentin Budd
Consents Team Leader