HEARING OF PLAN CHANGE 5 BY THE HAMILTON CITY COUNCIL

PEACOCKE STRUCTURE PLAN

DIRECTION #7

INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL

PURPOSE

The purpose of Direction #7 is to amend Direction #6 regarding the dates for submitter responses.

INTRODUCTION

- 1. By Memorandum dated 6 October 2022 Ms Hooper, Counsel for the Director-General of Conservation (DoC), sought amendments to Direction #6 to provide more time for submitter responses to HCC's additional evidence on wider management strategies.
- 2. Ms Hooper sought the following:
 - (a) Extending the Submitter (Further Evidence) Filing Date in paragraph 2(c) of Direction #6 to 4pm on 28 October 2022;
 - (b) Allowing submitters to file memoranda or legal submissions on any legal issues raised by HCC's further evidence by 4pm on 28 October 2022; and
 - (c) Extending the filing date for HCC's closing legal submissions to 4pm, 4 November 2022.
- 3. In summary, those extensions are sought due to the availability of the potentially relevant witnesses, the likely requirement for the involvement of DoC in the wider management strategies, and in anticipation of the need to provide legal submissions as noted in the Memorandum.
- 4. The Panel also takes note of Ms Hooper's comments on the matter of compensation, the concerns raised in evidence regarding the effects management hierarchy, and the fact that those matters are yet-to-be-determined.
- 5. The Panel accepts that Ms Hooper's request is reasonable and directs the above amendments accordingly repeating our previous note that, should a reconvened hearing prove necessary following step 2(b) above, then the date for filing closing legal submissions may be amended depending on the availability of Commissioners for any reconvened hearing.
- 6. Furthermore, and for clarification, only submitters who, in their original submission(s), raised matters directly related to the further evidence to be provided by HCC are eligible to file further evidence.
- 7. The hearing remains adjourned.

8. All material required by this Direction shall be sent through the Hearing Administrator, Mr Steve Rice: steve@riceres.co.nz to be placed as soon as practicable on Council's website and all parties advised accordingly.

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David Hill (Chairperson)
Independent Hearing Panel

7 October 2022