IN THE MATTER OF

the Resource Management Act 1991

**AND** 

IN THE MATTER OF

Hamilton City Council's PC9 - Historic Heritage and Natural

**Environments** 

# RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991 DIRECTION #13 INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL

## **PURPOSE**

1. The purpose of Direction #13 is to respond to the 25 July 2023 memorandum of counsel for The Adare Company Limited seeking an amendment to paragraph 15(d) of the Direction #12 evidence exchange timetable to enable submitter rebuttal on the NPSIB.

### **BACKGROUND**

- 2. By memorandum dated 25 July 2023, counsel for The Adare Company Limited noted that no provision had been made in the Direction #12 timetable for submitter rebuttal evidence relating to the Session 1 topics addressing the NPSIB. Counsel notes that omission could result in the need to present oral expert evidence at the hearing which would not be particularly efficient nor effective.
- 3. The Panel agrees that omission was inadvertent, and that the amendment sought is appropriate.

#### **DIRECTION**

- 4. Paragraph 15(d) of Direction #12 is amended as follows:
  - Any rebuttal expert evidence from Hamilton City Council and submitters on the Session 2 topics, or the Session 1 topics addressing the NPSIB only, is to be provided to the Hearing Coordinator no later than 4pm Friday, 6 October 2023.
- 5. The complete amended paragraph 15 exchange timetable is attached to this Direction.
- 6. Any queries or correspondence related to this Direction should be sent through to the Hearing Coordinator, Steve Rice at: <a href="mailto:steve@riceres.co.nz">steve@riceres.co.nz</a>

David Hill (Chairperson)
Independent Hearing Panel

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26 July 2023

## **Exchange of evidence**

15. Section 41B of the RMA sets out the minimum timeframes for the provision of evidence prior to the commencement of a hearing. Consistent with s.41B, and in the interest of facilitating an efficient and effective hearing, the Hearing Panel sets the following timetable for the exchange of reports and evidence:

## Built Heritage, Archaeological Sites, Implications for NPSIB (if necessary)

- (a) The Reporting Officer's s42A 'Themes and Issues' Hearing Report on the Session 2 topics is to be provided to the Hearing Coordinator no later than 4pm Friday, 25 August 2023.
- (b) Hamilton City Council's expert evidence-in-chief on the Session 2 topics, and any supplementary expert evidence on the Session 1 topics addressing the NPSIB only, is to be provided to the Hearing Coordinator no later than 4pm Friday, 1 September 2023.
- (c) Any submitter expert evidence on the Session 2 topics, and any supplementary expert evidence on the Session 1 topics addressing the NPSIB only, is to be provided to the Hearing Coordinator no later than 4pm Friday, 22 September 2023.
- (d) Any rebuttal expert evidence from Hamilton City Council and submitters on the Session 2 topics, or the Session 1 topics addressing the NPSIB only, is to be provided to the Hearing Coordinator no later than 4pm Friday, 6 October 2023.
- (e) Any expert conferencing for Session 2 is to occur between 9 and 27 October 2023.
- (f) Any updated s.42A Hearing Report is to be provided to the Hearing Coordinator no later than 4pm 27 October 2023.
- (g) Any party intending to present legal submissions shall provide a copy of the written legal submissions to the Hearing Coordinator no later than 4pm Wednesday, 1 November 2023.

# **Historic Heritage Areas**

- (h) Hamilton City Council's supplementary expert evidence on the HHA topic is to be provided to the Hearing Coordinator no later than 4pm Friday, 22 September 2023.
- (i) Any expert evidence from submitters in rebuttal to the supplementary evidence on the HHA topic is to be provided to the Hearing Coordinator no later than 4pm, 6 October 2023.
- (j) The Reporting Officer's updated s.42A Hearing Report on the HHA topic is to be provided to the Hearing Coordinator no later than 4pm Friday, 20 October 2023.