

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 #18
INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL

PURPOSE

1. The purpose of Direction #18 is to confirm that:
 - (i) evidence relating to each contested Built Heritage item will be due at a later date (once the Panel's interim findings on the assessment methodology are issued); and
 - (ii) non-expert submitters are able to respond to Mr Knott's supplementary assessment methodology report of 22 September 2023 in submissions filed for the second hearing scheduled for November.

DIRECTION #1

2. By Memorandum, dated 2 October 2023, Waikato Heritage Group has sought clarification regarding the process for evidence exchange for identified built heritage items in light of direction #15's indication that the Panel will issue its interim findings on the assessment methodology following its hearing in November.
3. The Panel confirms that a new timetable direction for the hearing of disputed built heritage items will be issued following the November 2023 hearing.
4. As the Waikato Heritage Group memorandum notes, this will afford the ability for parties to update or reassess their submission requests in light of the Panel's interim findings.
5. The timetabling direction referred to in paragraph 3 will clarify the s.42A report and evidence exchange timetable and the hearing date (which will likely be toward the end of the first quarter of 2024).

DIRECTION #2

6. By Memorandum, dated 28 September 2023, Waikato Heritage Group also sought confirmation that non-expert evidence may be provided to the Panel as part of Session 2 hearings in relation to Mr Knott's supplementary statement of evidence and the updated s42A report, and if possible be granted a minor extension to the date to allow lay submitters to respond.
7. The Panel agrees that non-expert submitters may, if they so choose, respond to Mr Knott's supplementary assessment methodology evidence of 22 September 2023. The present date for filing of such responses is Friday 6 October 2023. The Panel agrees to an extension of time for filing by non-expert submitters to Friday, 13 October 2023.
8. The Panel declines the ancillary request to extend the time for responding to the updated s.42A report due on 27 October 2023 because those authors need to have all

submissions in hand for the purpose of preparing that report. Submitters will, as usual, be able to comment on the s.42A report at the hearing itself.

9. Any queries or correspondence related to this Direction should be sent through to the Hearing Coordinator, Steve Rice at: steve@riceres.co.nz

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Hill". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial 'D'.

David Hill (Chairperson)
Independent Hearing Panel

3 October 2023