

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of Hearing Submissions and Further Submissions on the Proposed Waikato District
Plan (Stage I)

**MEMORANDUM BY COUNCIL TO HEARING COMMISSIONERS RELATING TO COASTAL
MANAGEMENT AT TE AKAU SOUTH
6 May 2021**

May it please the Hearing Commissioners:

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to bring to the attention of the Hearings Panel and submitters, the filing of an additional report relating to the management of coastal hazards in the Te Akau South area.
2. The assessment of the coastal hazards and coastal sensitivity areas at Te Akau South was carried out by Focus Resource Management Group (being Bronwen Gibberd and Jim Dahm) both to inform the notification of the Proposed District Plan as well as in response to submissions. This assessment resulted in revised coastal hazard maps for the Te Akau South coastline, which were made publicly available with the release of the Section 42A report.
3. A peer review of this work was carried out at the request of Te Akua South submitters with the purpose of assessing the appropriateness of the information, approach and recommendations that formed the basis of the revised maps. The peer review was undertaken by Tonkin & Taylor and their evaluation report is now available.
4. While it is unfortunate that this peer review was not completed in time to be appended to Council's s42A rebuttal report, we feel it is important to make this information available to the Hearings Panel and submitters in advance of the hearing. The findings of the Tonkin and Taylor peer review will be addressed by Council in its opening statement presented at Hearing 27.
5. In addition to alerting the Panel to Tonkin and Taylor's peer review, we have also notified all submitters and further submitters who addressed coastal hazards.

Dated at Ngaruawahia this

6 May 2021



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