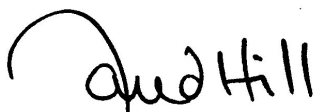


IN THE MATTER OF the Resource Management Act 1991
AND
IN THE MATTER OF Waikato IPIs – Waikato DC Variation 3

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991
DIRECTION #16
INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL

Purpose: The purpose of Direction #16 is to address two requests from Council relating to timetabling.

1. By Memorandum of counsel, dated 31 May 2023, Council seeks directions relating to:
 - (a) A change in timetabling for expert conferencing on cultural viewshafts and the Tuurangawaewae Marae to the week of 6 June 2023; and
 - (b) An alternative substantive hearing timetable for the Horotiu Farms Limited (HFL) submission.
2. As the timetable set by Direction #10 for the expert conferencing on cultural viewshafts and the Tuurangawaewae Marae (week of 29 May 2023) was unable to be arranged for reasons stated in the Memorandum, an alternative has been scheduled for 6 June 2023. Council seeks an amendment to Direction # 10 accordingly.
3. Following the Panel's decision that the submission by HFL should be heard, and because this required additional work by Council, direction for an alternate hearing timetable is sought, as agreed between Council and HFL, as follows:
 - (a) Council's section 42A report due 15 September 2023;
 - (b) Council's expert evidence in chief due 22 September 2023;
 - (c) Submitters evidence in chief due 20 October 2023 (taking into account school holidays);
 - (d) Any rebuttal evidence (of Council or submitters) due 27 October 2023;
 - (e) Legal submissions due 3 November 2023; and
 - (f) Hearing commencing on or after 6 November 2023.
4. The Panel accepts those requests and issues the following directions:
 - (i) Paragraph 24(h) of Direction #10 is amended as per paragraph 2 above;
 - (ii) The timetable for the FHL submission hearing noted in paragraph 3 above is confirmed. A confirmed hearing commencement date is to be advised later.
5. Any queries or correspondence related to this Direction should be sent through to the Hearing Coordinator, Steve Rice at steve@riceres.co.nz .



David Hill (Chairperson)
Independent Hearing Panel

1 June 2023