IN THE MATTER OF	Resource Management Act 1991
AND	
IN THE MATTER OF	The hearing of submissions in relation to the Proposed Timaru District Plan

MINUTE 17 DIRECTIONS REGARDING HEARING OF SUBMISSION AND FURTHER SUBMISSIONS BY WAIPOPO TRUST

DATED 25 October 2024

1. INTRODUCTION

[1] The Hearing Panel¹ received a Memorandum of Counsel from counsel for the Waipopo Trust (the Trust) in relation to the hearing of the Trust's submission on the Proposed Timaru District Plan.²

[2] The Trust's submission was scheduled in part to be heard during Hearing D because it related in part to the Open Space Zone, due to commence on 12 November 2024. However, counsel requested that the submission be deferred to Hearing E, for the reasons outlined in the memorandum and in the s42A Report prepared for Hearing D.³

2. DIRECTIONS

[3] The Panel accepts that the deferral is appropriate and that this will lead to a more efficient hearing of the issues raised by the submission. The submission is therefore transferred to be heard in Hearing E.

¹ The Timaru District Council ("the Council") appointed Cindy Robinson (Chairperson), Ros Day-Cleavin, Councillor Stacey Scott, Jane Whyte, Megen McKay, and Raewyn Solomon ("the panel") to hear submissions and further submissions, and evidence to make decisions on the Timaru Proposed District Plan ("the Proposed Plan") pursuant to Section 34A(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991 ("RMA"). Our delegation includes all related procedural powers to conduct those hearings.

² Memorandum of Counsel for the Waipopo Trust, 16 October 2024.

³ S42A Report at 8.6.20 for the reasons set out in 8.6.6 and 8.6.7.

3. DISCLOSURE OF POTENTIAL INTERESTS

[4] In reviewing the submission and request to defer, Commissioner McKay wishes to disclose and record in the interests register:

Taumutu Rūnanga has over 30,000 registered members, of which Megen McKay is a whakapapa member. Some members of Taumutu Rūnanga have Māori land interests within the Timaru District, including Waipopo. Megen McKay has no Māori land interests and neither do any members of her immediate family.

[5] Having made the disclosure, as Chair I have determined that no further action is required, and Commissioner McKay will hear the submission along with other matters scheduled for Hearing E.

[6] Dated this 25th day of October 2024

C E ROBINSON - CHAIR ON BEHALF OF THE HEARINGS PANEL