

**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

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**MINUTE 13 DEFERRAL OF HEARING TOPICS IN HEARING C TO LATER HEARINGS,  
AND CHANGES TO SCHEDULED TOPICS FOR HEARINGS D, E, F AND G**

**DATED 5 AUGUST 2024**

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**1. INTRODUCTION**

[1] The Timaru District Council ("the Council") has delegated to the hearing Panel<sup>1</sup> the hearing of 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").<sup>2</sup>

[2] The purpose of Minute 13 is to respond to a request from the Timaru District Council on 31 July 2024 to defer certain topics scheduled for Hearing C on 3-5 September 2024, to a later date due to additional information that had been requested of submitters, and further changes to the topics in hearings D, E, F and G. The request also seeks changes to the timetable for s42A author preliminary reports, submitter evidence and final s42A Reports for the Growth Hearings.<sup>3</sup>

**2. DIRECTIONS**

[3] The Panel has reviewed the Council's request and has further considered whether or not it is more efficient for the remaining matters scheduled for Hearing C to also be deferred so as to make better use of the Panel hearing time in later hearings.

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<sup>1</sup> Cindy Robinson (Chairperson), Ros Day-Cleavin, Councillor Stacey Scott, Jane Whyte, Megen McKay, and Raewyn Solomon

<sup>2</sup> Our delegation includes all related procedural powers to conduct those hearings.

<sup>3</sup> Memorandum of Counsel for the Council 31 July 2024.

[4] The Panel requested the Hearing advisor and administrator to confer further on the grouping of hearing topics with the Council's Planning Manager to ensure that the Panel resources are utilised effectively and efficiently over the hearing dates, and the Panel members allocated to each hearing topic are still available to sit on those matters previously allocated.

[5] In doing so the Panel has made changes to the Council's proposed amended schedule, and confirms that:

- (a) Hearing C dates are no longer required, and the hearing days of 3-5 September 2024 are vacated, and the topics previously allocated to Hearing C are now reallocated in accordance the attached schedule. The Hearing administrator will communicate with all Hearing C submitters directly.
- (b) That all Cultural matters originally scheduled for Hearing D are now moved to Hearing E. Hearing E will now comprise two streams, E1 Infrastructure and Subdivision, and E2 Cultural Values. Hearing E is scheduled for an additional day, commencing on 10 February 2025.
- (c) Natural Hazards, Coastal Environment, Surface Water activities and Public Access topics originally scheduled for Hearing C are now in Hearing F.
- (d) The dates for Hearing F are now a week later due to the likelihood that a full week is required, and that the original scheduled week contains both Easter Monday and ANZAC day. Hearing F will now take place in the week 28 April to 2 May 2025.
- (e) That the Growth topic is moved from Hearing E to Hearing G.
- (f) That further, in relation to the Growth topics in Hearing F, the following timetable replaces that set out in Minute 6.
  - (i) The Council's preliminary s42A report to be filed by 29 October 2024.
  - (ii) Submitters to provide requested information by 20 February 2025.
  - (iii) The final section 42A report to be released by 21 May 2025.

- (iv) Submitter evidence to be filed by 19 June 2025.
- (v) Any legal submissions to be filed by 27 June 2025; and
- (vi) Section 42A author summary of issues to be filed by 2 July 2025.

### **Hearing B**

[6] The Panel can indicate that due to the deferral of topics previously scheduled for Hearing C and the abandonment of those hearing dates, that the s42A authors for Hearing B, will have more time to complete their interim replies. A separate Minute will issue on post Hearing B requests of submitters for further information and the s42A author interim reply later this week.

Dated this 5 August 2024



C E ROBINSON - CHAIR ON BEHALF OF THE HEARINGS PANEL



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| <p><i>Designations</i></p>                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SIGN - Signs</li> <li>• VS - Versatile Soil</li> <li>• PA - Public Access</li> <br/> <li>• CNZ - Chorus NZ Ltd</li> <li>• ECAN - Canterbury Regional Council</li> <li>• KRH - KiwiRail Holdings Ltd</li> <li>• MEDU - Minister of Education</li> <li>• MJUS - Minister of Justice</li> <li>• MPOL - Minister of Police / NZ Police</li> <li>• MSNZ - Meteorological Service of New Zealand Limited</li> <li>• NZTA - New Zealand Transport Agency</li> <li>• SPK – Spark New Zealand Trading Limited</li> <li>• TDC - Timaru District Council</li> <br/> <li>• Relevant Planning Maps</li> <li>• Relevant definitions</li> </ul> |                           |
| <p><b>Hearing G</b><br/>Variation 1</p> <p><i>Growth</i></p> | <p>Place holder for mandatory national directions which requires immediate implication.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FDA - Future Development Area</li> <li>• Rezone request for growth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ a short s42A report identifying information required for each rezone request will be released by 29 October 2024;</li> <li>○ submitters to provide required information by 20 February 2025.</li> </ul> </li> <br/> <li>• Relevant Planning Maps</li> <li>• Relevant definitions</li> </ul>  | <p>8-10 July 2025</p>     |
| <p><b>Hearing H</b></p> <p><i>Variation 2</i></p>            | <p>Place holder for potential Variation to rezone FDA1 &amp; FDA2</p>   | <p>2-4 Sept 2025</p>      |
| <p><b>Hearing I</b></p> <p><i>Sweep Up</i></p>               | <p>TBC</p>  | <p>21-23 October 2025</p> |