



PROPOSED FAR NORTH DISTRICT PLAN

MINUTE 19 OF THE INDEPENDENT HEARINGS PANEL

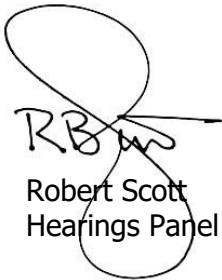
Response to Memorandum on the Carrington Estate Zone and Updated Hearing Schedule

INTRODUCTION

1. On 29 November 2024 the Council received a [joint memorandum](#) from Jason Pou, legal counsel on behalf of Haititaimarangai Marae (S394) and Bianca Tree/Julian Spring legal counsel on behalf of Carrington (S351), regarding the timing of the Carrington Estate Special Purpose Zone hearing.
2. The hearing panel and Council have reviewed this memorandum and completed an internal review of hearing topics and submission points and confirmed changes to the hearing schedule as follows:
 - a) Move the hearing for the Carrington Estate Special Zone to hearing 15A (Rezoning General & Kauri Cliffs) scheduled for 25-26 August 2025. This will likely result in hearing 10 reducing from four to three days.
 - b) Reduce the length of hearing 11 from four to three days, 28-30 April 2025.
3. Council have also reviewed the reporting timeframe for Hearing 14: Urban Zones
 - a) The PDP Hearing schedule was amended on 9 September 2024 to shift Urban Zones hearing to 21 July 2025 to achieve better integration with Kerikeri-Waipapa Spatial Plan (see [Minute 8](#)).
 - b) The S42A report on urban zones needs to respond to [Panel Minute 7](#) and [Panel Minute 9](#) which requests confirmation from Council staff on (amongst other matters):
 - i. at what point Kerikeri-Waipapa becomes an "urban environment" and is therefore subject to NPS-UD; and
 - ii. the spatial extent of the urban environment.
 - c) The above minutes also directed Council staff produce their response to Minutes 7 and 9, included in the Section 42A Report on Urban zones, by 9 June 2025 (as opposed to 23 June 2025).
 - d) Since the above panel directions, the project programme for Te Patukurua (Kerikeri-Waipapa Spatial Plan) has been further refined, meaning Council adoption of the Spatial Plan is intended to occur at a full Council meeting scheduled for 18 June 2025.
 - e) The Kerikeri-Waipapa Spatial Plan influences the point at which Kerikeri-Waipapa becomes an "urban environment" and the spatial extent of the urban environment. To achieve better integration between the two processes (and avoid inefficiencies in the hearing processes for the PDP) the Panel is of the view that the Section 42A Report for Urban Zones should be issued after the adoption of the Spatial Plan so that submitters can have regard to the adopted version of the Kerikeri-Waipapa Spatial Plan at that hearing. We therefore direct that the Hearing Reporting Schedule

is amended to make the S42A report for Urban Zones available on 23 June (4 weeks in advance of the Urban Zone Hearing, consistent with the hearing procedures, and the original date for the S42A Report prior to Minute 9 being issued).

4. Attached to this minute is an updated hearing schedule and it is noted that this may be subject to change as the hearings progress. We will endeavour to provide as much notice as possible ahead of any further change to the schedule.
5. The Chair and specific panel members for each topic will be confirmed when the hearing notice is issued, six weeks in advance of the hearing
6. If you have any questions regarding this Minute, please contact the Hearings Administrator Alicia-Kate (AK) Taihia - Submissions & Hearings Administrator District Plan: alicia-kate.taihia@fndc.govt.nz or (09)4015247.

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Robert Scott
Hearings Panel Chairperson

13 December 2024