

**Minute #7 of Independent Commissioner Hearing Panel**  
**114 Adelaide Road**  
**Reference (SR) No. 464277 & 490717**

**Hearing Closure**

1. Following receipt of the Joint Memorandum prepared by the Applicant and Council, comments on the amended drawings provided by Submitters, both received on Friday 17 December 2021, and the Applicant's Right-of Reply received on Monday 20 December 2021, the Hearing Panel now has all the information it requires to reach its decisions on the applications.
2. Accordingly, the hearing is now closed.
3. Section 115(2) of the Resource Management Act 1991 requires that the notice of decision on resource consent applications must be given within 15 working days after the end of the hearing.
4. With the period commencing 20 December and ending 10 January not counting as working days under the Act, and allowing for Wellington Anniversary Day, 15 working days results in the decisions on the applications being due on Tuesday 1 February 2022.
5. However, given that members of the Hearing Panel have annual leave commitments through until Monday 24 January 2021, it has been found necessary to exercise the discretion available under s37 of the Act to extend by 10 working days the issuing of the decisions on the applications.
6. Accordingly, our decisions on the applications will be released no later than Wednesday 16 February 2022.
7. In making this decision to extend the time for issuing the decisions, we have had regard to the fact that the applications have been in 'play' for a considerable period of time. We have also had regard to the duty that we have to avoid unreasonably delay in determining the applications. In the circumstances we consider that the time extension is reasonable.
8. In closing the hearing, the Hearing Panel wishes to extend its appreciation to all those involved in the hearing for their assistance during the course of the hearing, and trusts that everyone will enjoy a relaxing and safe holiday break.

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**Alistair Aburn**  
Chair Independent Commissioner Hearing Panel  
21 December 2021