

IN THE MATTER

of the Resource
Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER

of Submissions and Further
Submissions on the
Proposed Wellington City
District Plan

Minute 24:

Further Directions for Hearing Stream 5 – General District-wide Matters

Introduction

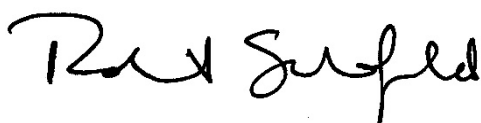
1. The purpose of this Minute is to issue two further directions in regard to Hearing Stream 5, General District-wide Matters, which is due to commence on Tuesday 1 August 2023.

Request by Wellington International Airport Limited

2. In her written statement to Hearing Stream 4, which is hearing submissions on the Centres' provisions of the PDP, the Planning Manager for Wellington International Airport Limited (WIAL), Jo Lester, has requested leave for WIAL to be able to present evidence on the company's submission points made in paragraphs 4.111 to 4.113 of its primary submission (recorded as submission points 406.494 and 406.545 respectively in the WCC Summary of Submissions by Submitter table). These submission points relate to WIAL's Obstacle Limitation Surface designation in the PDP, and have been assigned by the Council to the hearings on Temporary Activities and Airport Zone. In WIAL's view, the OLS designation should be more appropriately addressed as a district-wide matter due to the extent of the City affected by it.
3. The Airport is seeking leave from the Hearing Panel to provide evidence at Hearing Stream 5 regarding this matter, including high level technical evidence from WIAL's Head of Operational Readiness regarding the statutory and operational requirements that underpin the obstacle limitation surface, which flow through to the WIAL1 designation conditions. Ms Lester states that this evidence will be kept at a high level, as the substantive evidence regarding the designation will be provided in Hearing Stream 10 (not scheduled to be heard until sometime in 2024).
4. We agree with the suggested approach by WIAL, and accordingly grant leave to present such high level evidence in Hearing Stream 5. The appropriate reporting planner for the Council is also invited to address these submission points in question at Hearing Stream 5, again at a high level.
5. We note the invitation by WIAL for the Panel to ask it any specific questions regarding the OLS that have arisen throughout the course of earlier hearings that it would like WIAL to specifically address in HS5. If the Panel have any such questions, we will issue these following the conclusion of Hearing Stream 4.

Subdivision Design Guide

6. Panel Minute 15, issued on 11 April 2023, directed a review and conferencing process for the residential, centres and mixed use design guides. This review is currently being progressed. The Hearing Panel has received a request from the Council's District Plan Advisor (in a memorandum dated 20 June 2023) to include the subdivision design guide within the review of design guides.
7. The reason for the request is that it has become apparent to Council advisors that the subdivision design guide would benefit from being included in the review to ensure consistent structure and approach, particularly for the residential and subdivision design guides to work together well.
8. The Memorandum notes that, because there are only seven submission points on the subdivision design guide, the scope to make any substantive changes is limited. However, the Council notes that the structural changes required to make it consistent with the other reviewed design guides could be made without affecting the bulk of the content, while addressing the submission points.
9. The Panel considers that this is an appropriate request, and we therefore direct that the subdivision design guide be included in the current review process. Where content in the subdivision design guide overlaps with that in other design guides (and plan provisions) that have submission points on them, the Panel directs that such content is also addressed in the review of the subdivision design guide.
10. If any submitter with an interest in the subdivision design guide wishes to have an expert involved in the review process, they are requested to contact the Hearings Coordinator with advice of the name and contact details of that expert by Wednesday 28 June.
11. If you have any questions or concerns relating to this hearing, please contact our Hearings Co-ordinator at jaskirat.kaur@wcc.govt.nz.



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For the Wellington City Proposed District Plan Hearings Panel

Dated: 21 June 2023