IN THE MATTER

of the Resource Management Act 1991

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

Minute 42:

Amended Timetabling for Hearing Stream 7

## Introduction

1. The purpose of this Minute is to direct an amendment to the timetabling of the circulation of reports, evidence and statements for Hearing Stream 7 which is to hear submissions on the proposed provisions for the Rural and Open Space provisions of the Proposed District Plan. This minute should be read together with the more general hearing directions in Minute 1.

## Hearing Stream 7 - Rural and Open Space, District Wide Matters, Special Purpose Zones

- As outlined in Minute 38, the Hearing on the Plan provisions for Rural and Open Space (Hearing Stream 7) is scheduled to commence on 19 March 2024. The chapters to be addressed in Hearing Stream 7 are as follows:
  - Rural Zone (GRZ)
  - Open Space Zones and Special Purpose Wellington Town Belt Zone (OSZ, NOSZ, SARZ and WTBZ)
  - Temporary Activities (TEMP)
  - Signs (SIGN)
  - Light (LIGHT)
  - Hospital (HOSZ)
  - Tertiary (TEDZ)
  - Design Guides Rural and signs
- 3. As outlined in Minute 38, the timetabling for the circulation of reports, evidence and other information related to Hearing Stream 7 is as follows:
  - Section 42A Report 20 February
  - Submitters' advice to the hearing administrator regarding allocation of hearing time – 27 February
  - Submitters' evidence 5 March
  - Rebuttal 12 March
  - Legal submissions/other presentations 15 March
  - Council reply 30 April.

- 4. On 19 February, the Chair for Hearing Stream 7 received a memorandum from the Council to advise that the S42A report on the Rural provisions will not be ready for circulation by 20 February due to the complexity of the issues being addressed.
- 5. The Council has requested an extra two working days, with a revised publication date of Thursday 22 February at 1pm for the S42A report on Rural provisions.
- 6. To help maintain an acceptable number of working days between the publication of this s42A report and the subsequent circulation of evidence and other information prior to the commencement of Hearing Stream 7, the Council has recommended to the Hearing Panel to provide any submitters on the Rural Chapter an additional two days for lodging evidence on this chapter. This would mean that submitter evidence on the Rural chapter must now be lodged by submitters on **7 March**. This arrangement would not impact on the proposed hearing date and Council's rebuttal evidence is still due to be circulated by **12 March**.
- 7. While we are disappointed that the Council is unable to fully comply with the timetabling directions for Hearing Stream 7, we acknowledge the complexity of issues associated with the Rural chapter and agree to the amended timetabling in respect of the Rural Chapter.
- Thus we direct that the timetabling for Hearing 7 in relation to Rural chapter provisions only is to be amended to be as follows:
  - The S42A report on Rural provisions by 1pm on Thursday 22 February 2024
  - Submitter expert evidence must be sent to the Hearings Co-ordinator by 1pm on **7 March 2024** for circulation
  - The Council's rebuttal evidence will be circulated by 12 March 2024
- 9. The timetabling for all other subject matters to be heard in Hearing Stream 7 remain as outlined in Minute 38 as set out in paragraph 3 above.
- 10. 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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Robert Schofield Chair for Hearing Stream 7

For the Wellington City Proposed District Plan Hearings Panel

Dated: 20 February 2024