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Hearings Panel
Proposed Wellington District Plan

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Proposed Wellington District Plan Hearing Stream 1: Plan Wide Matters and Strategic Direction – Hearing Statement from the New Zealand Defence Force (Submitter ID 423)

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This Hearing Statement is prepared by the New Zealand Defence Force (NZDF) on topics related to Hearing Stream 1. NZDF will not be attending Hearing Stream 1 but requests that this Hearing Statement be tabled before the Panel.
- 1.2 NZDF made submissions on several chapters of the Proposed Wellington District Plan (District Plan). The submission points that relate to Hearing Stream 1 include the definition of Regionally Significant Infrastructure, along with Strategic City Assets and Infrastructure Objectives SCA-O1 and SCA-O6.

2. Submission Point 423.3 - Definition of Regionally Significant Infrastructure

- 2.1 In its submission, NZDF sought that defence facilities be included in the definition of 'Regionally Significant Infrastructure'. The s42A report recommendation is to not accept NZDF's amendment to the definition at this time and to revisit the definition in 'Hearing Stream 6 – Special Purpose Zones and Development Areas' in late 2023 and 'Hearing Stream 9 – Infrastructure' in early 2024, due to the definition being in a state of flux as a result of the RPS plan change process.
- 2.2 NZDF reiterates the relief sought in its submission in relation to the definition of Regionally Significant Infrastructure and wishes to reserve the right to appear in support of this submission point when the definition is revisited later in the hearing process.

3. Submission Points 423.6 and 423.7 - Strategic City Assets and Infrastructure Objectives SCA-O1 and SCA-O6

- 3.1 In its submission, NZDF supported Strategic City Assets and Infrastructure Objectives SCA-O1 and SCA-O6 as notified (or wording to similar effect).
- 3.2 The s42A report recommends amendments to SCA-O1 and SCA-O6 in response to submissions by other parties. The recommended changes to SCA-O6 are supported by NZDF. NZDF is neutral on the recommended changes to SCA-O1.

4. Conclusion

NZDF would be happy to answer any questions from the Hearing Commissioners on the above. Please do not hesitate to contact Rebecca Davies - rebecca.davies@nzdf.mil.nz or Rachel Purdy – rpurdy@tonkintaylor.co.nz

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Rebecca Davies', is positioned below the closing text.

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