

## Minute #5 of Independent Commissioner DIRECTION ON HEARING

### 1. Confirmation of Hearing

I have been appointed by the Rangitikei District Council as an Independent Hearing Commissioner to hear submissions and make a determination on the proposed plan change to rezone approximately 217 hectares of land to the southeast of Marton from Rural to Industrial.

As per Minute #4, the Hearing details are confirmed as follows:

#### Hearing details

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| <u>Location:</u>         | Council Chambers<br>Rangitikei District Council Offices<br>46 High Street<br>Marton  |
| <u>Dates:</u>            | Wednesday 17 June 2020<br>Thursday 18 June 2020<br>Friday 19 June 2020 (if required) |
| <u>Daily start time:</u> | 9AM  |

### 2. Revised Schedule

Attached is a revised schedule for the Hearing.

The Hearing will now proceed along normal lines, with every attendee able to be contained within the Council Chambers. There are two experts who are giving evidence by video-conferencing as indicated in the schedule. There will be a video screen in the Chambers: any person wishing to be able to use that device are asked to liaise with Charlie Hopkins (email below).

For efficiency purposes, I would note that any submitter who also provided a further submission will be able to talk to their further submission as part of their allotted time in the schedule. At this stage, none of the further submitters who were not also submitters have indicated a wish to be heard.

I have requested a representative from Horizons Regional Council to attend so that I may receive information on the Regional's Council's submission and clarification on the relative responsibilities and functions between the District Council and Regional Council in terms of managing the effects of any industrial development that may be enabled by the proposed plan change.

### **3. Reports, Submissions and Evidence**

Copies of expert evidence, and reports can be found at:

<https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/council/publications/district-plan/proposed-plan-change-1165-1151-and-1091-state-highway-1-marton>

I will take all submissions, expert evidence and Council reports that have been circulated prior to the hearing as being read: I would therefore urge submitters and their advisers, as well as Council advisers, to summarise their main points and any changes in views or positions.

Legal submissions and non-expert evidence should be tabled and read aloud on the day that the relevant party appears at the hearing. Please provide a minimum of ten copies of any written submissions, statements or other information that are to be tabled at the hearing.

### **4. Enquiries or Correspondence**

Any enquiries or correspondence on the hearing should be directed through Charlie Hopkins via –

[charlie@thecatalystgroup.co.nz](mailto:charlie@thecatalystgroup.co.nz)



**Robert Schofield**  
Independent Commissioner

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020

## Schedule for Rangitikei Plan Change Hearing 17-19 June 2020 (as at 15 June 2020)

| <b>Wednesday 17 June 2020</b> |   |
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| 0900                          | Commissioner opens hearing (15 min)   |
| 0915                          | Mayor, Andrew Watson (15 min)   |
| 0930                          | Council Chief Executive, Peter Beggs (15 min)   |
| 0945                          | Council legal representative, Nick Jessen (15 min)  |
| 1000                          | Council reporting officer, Greg Carlyon (30 min)  |
| 1030                          | Break (15 min)  |
| 1045                          | KiwiRail and NZTA calling one planner each (Rebecca Beals and Natasha Reid) and one safety expert (60 min)                                |
| 1145                          | Horizons (15 min)   |
| 1200                          | Lunch (60 min)  |
| 1300                          | Submitter Interested Residents of Marton and the Rangitikei (IROMAR) with counsel (60 min)  |
| 1400                          | Submitters David and Joy Dean (15 min)  |
| 1415                          | Submitters William and Carol Sinclair (15 min)  |
| 1430                          | Submitter Kathleen Reardon (15 min)   |
| 1445                          | Submitter Jenni Anderson (15 min)   |
| 1500                          | Break (30 min)  |
| 1530                          | Submitter Walsh: Counsel (60 min)   |
| 1630                          | Submitter Walsh: <b>Note: Zoom link for Mr. Wright for Wednesday 17 June 2020 at 4:30PM (1630)</b>  |
| 1700                          | End   |
| <b>Thursday 18 June 2020</b>  |   |
| 0900                          | Submitter Fraser Auret with counsel, planning and equine expert (60 min)<br><b>Note: zoom call for Dr Millerick-May 9:15AM (0915 min)</b> |
| 1000                          | Submitter Robert Snijders (15 min)  |
| 1015                          | Submitter Randal McIlwaine (15 min)   |
| 1030                          | Break (15 min)  |
| 1045                          | Further submitter Gretta Mills (15 min)   |
| 1100                          | Submitter Robert Gunn (15 min)  |
| 1115                          | Submitter NZ Bio Forestry (15 min)  |
| 1130                          | Counsel Nick Jessen on behalf of Council (60 min)   |
| 1230                          | Lunch (60 min)  |
| 1330                          | Reporting officer Greg Carlyon (60 min)   |
| 1430                          | 2.5 hours contingency   |
| 1700                          | End   |
| <b>Friday 19 June 2020</b>    |   |
| Tbc                           | Tbc   |