

**Western Bay of Plenty District Council
DIRECTIONS OF THE COMMISSIONERS**

Introduction

- [1] The Hearing Panel issued Minute 1 on 6 March 2025 setting out the various timeframes and dates leading up to the Hearing.
- [2] The Hearing date has been changed and so this Minute 2 sets out the new timeframes and dates.
- [3] All other directions and requests set out in Minute 1 remain unchanged.
- [4] The Hearing is now scheduled to commence on **Monday 11 August 2025**.
 - (a) A Section 42A Report from the Council will be available on or before **Friday 18 July 2025**;
 - (b) Pursuant to section 41B(2) of the RMA, the applicant is directed to provide their expert evidence (if any) to the Hearings Administrator by **4.00pm** on **Friday 25 July 2025**.
 - (c) Pursuant to section 41B(3) of the RMA, submitters who intend to call expert evidence in support of their submissions are directed to provide a written statement of that evidence to the Hearing Administrator no later than **4.00pm** on **Friday 1 August 2025**.
 - (d) If submitters intend to provide written evidence themselves, or have non-expert people appear on their behalf, then they are requested and strongly urged to also provide a written statement of that evidence to the Hearings Administrator no later than **4.00pm** on **Friday 1 August 2025**.
 - (e) If the applicant or any submitters propose to have legal counsel present legal submissions, they are requested to provide those legal submissions to the Hearings Administrator no later than **4.00pm** on **Wednesday 6 August 2025**.
 - (f) Should any submitter wish to speak in Te Reo, utilise Sign Language, or utilise visual aids (PowerPoint, etc) they are requested to liaise directly with the Hearings Administrator, as soon as possible, but prior to **Friday 25 July 2025** regarding their needs.
 - (g) If any participant intends to attend the Hearing remotely (e.g. by way of Zoom) then they must ensure that a copy of all written material that they will refer to or read from (including speaking notes) during their presentation is provided to the Hearings Administrator no later than **4.00pm** on **Wednesday 6 August 2025**.



Rob van Voorthuysen
Commissioner (Hearing Chairperson)
8 April 2025