

**IN THE MATTER**

of the Resource Management Act 1991

**AND**

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of the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the  
Wellington Region

**MINUTE # 37**

**MEMORANDUM TO REQUEST FROM WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL**

**Hearing Stream 5**

1. The Hearing Panel, on Wednesday, 11 April 2018, received a request from Wellington City Council (Submission #286) seeking leave to allow representatives of Upper Hutt City Council, Hutt City Council, Porirua City Council, and Kapiti Coast District Council, to participate at Hearing, following the Wellington City Council, expert witness evidence presentation on Monday, 23 April 2018.
2. We understand the request is to extend to those parties the opportunity to participate in responding to any questions from the Hearing Panel directed to the expert witness from Wellington City Council. The Hearing Panel notes that at this point in time, the only questions the Panel can ask is of the evidence that has been pre-circulated by the expert, Ms Pascall. This is in line with Paragraph 30 of the Agreed Hearing Procedures.<sup>1</sup>
3. Accordingly, if Mr McSweeney, Place Planning Manager for Wellington City Council (who is not currently listed as a speaker for WCC) wishes to present additional information, he can either:
  - a) File a statement of expert evidence and seek a wavier from the procedures set down in paragraph 30 described above; or
  - b) Prepare written lay evidence and present that material on the day of the hearing.<sup>2</sup> The Panel notes that any such lay evidence is required to be filed with the Hearing Adviser at least three days prior to the hearing time.
4. Assuming that the other Territorial Authorities listed in paragraph 1 above, have lodged relevant submissions to this matter, then the same procedural arrangement as described in paragraph 3 of this memorandum would apply.



Mark St. Clair

**Panel Chair**

Date: 17 April 2018

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<sup>1</sup> Hearing Panel Minute 2: Final Procedures for Hearing of Submissions, 9 December 2016.

<sup>2</sup> As described in Paragraph 33 of Hearing Panel Minute 2: Final Procedures for Hearing of Submissions, 9 December 2016.