IN THE MATTER of

the Resource Management Act 1991

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MINUTE 24 – RESPONSE TO SUBMITTER MEMORANDUM ON ECONOMIC CONFERENCING

- This Minute responds to the Memorandum of Counsel received from Woodwater Limited/ Carter Group Property Limited/Rolleston Industrial Developments Ltd/ Momentum Land Limited/Mike Greer Homes (Nz) Limited / Bellgrove Rangiora Limited / Ohoka Farms Limited / Doncaster Developments Limited (submitter memo) dated 22 April 2024, received by the Council on 23rd April at 5pm and provided to the Hearings Panel at 9:35am on 24th April 2024.
- 2. In short, the Submitter Memo relates to the provision of economic evidence and the timing of conferencing. The submitters are seeking that the Hearings Panel direct the Council/Mr Yeoman to provide evidence that the submitters consider should be provided and an alternative date for conferencing to occur after the information has been provided. The Submitter Memo is available on the <u>Council's website</u>.
- 3. The submitters are reminded of what we have previously set out in our Minutes, specifically that the Hearings Panel can only <u>request</u> conferencing to occur in advance of a hearing. The Hearings Panel is also limited under sections 41, 41B and 41C as to what information it can direct be provided in advance of a hearing. As such, we simply cannot issue the directions the submitters have requested.
- 4. The Hearings Panel would be grateful for our questions set out in Minute 20 be addressed through conferencing in advance of Hearing Stream 12 proceeding. We request that the submitters continue to liaise with the Council directly in respect of the provision of evidence and the timing of conferencing and that the Council officers to be as responsive to this as possible. We note that any limitations on the conferencing and what can be agreed or not should be clearly set out in any joint witness statement produced. We can indicate, however, that we would not consider it necessary or appropriate for the submitters to have develop their own economic models.
- 5. We request that the submitters and Council provides us with an update on this matter no later than **4pm Wednesday 8th May 2024.**

CORRESPONDENCE

6. Submitters and other hearing participants must not attempt to correspond with or contact the Hearings Panel members directly. All correspondence relating to the hearing must be addressed to the Hearings Administrator on 0800 965 468 or <u>developmentplanning@wmk.govt.nz</u>.

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Gina Sweetman Independent Commissioner – Chair - on behalf of the PDP and IHP Hearings Panel members 24 April 2024