IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991 (**RMA**)

AND

IN THE MATTER of <u>Private Plan Change 100</u> – Riverhead to the Auckland

Unitary Plan

HEARING DIRECTION #1 FROM THE HEARING PANEL

- 1. Pursuant to section 34A of the RMA, Auckland Council (the Council) has appointed the chair of the Hearing Panel Karyn Kurzeja (Chairperson). The hearing panel members will be appointed shortly. The Hearing Panel's function is to hear the application and submissions and make a decision on the Plan Change proposal, including any changes to it that are within scope of the notified Plan Change. It is also to deal with any procedural matters.
- 2. Plan Change 100, in summary, aims to rezone approximately 6 ha of land in Riverhead from Future Urban to Rural Mixed Rural zone and approximately 75.5 ha to a mixture of Residential Mixed Housing Suburban, Residential Terrace Housing and Apartment Buildings, Business Local Centre and Business Neighbourhood Centre zones with associated precinct provisions. The request also seeks to shift the Rural Urban Boundary to align with the boundary between the proposed Rural Mixed Rural zoning and the urban zones.
- 3. Before the hearing timetable is set down, the Chair directs the Applicant to file a memorandum outlining what, if any, changes they recommend to the proposal and outline which changes are in response to which submissions. This memorandum should be lodged with the Council's Hearings Manager, Julie McKee, by 4pm, Thursday 13 March 2025.
- 4. The reason for this is, in accordance with Part 2 of Schedule 1 of the RMA, any modifications to the plan change application must be made prior to the Local Authority considering the request under S25 of Schedule 1. As this private plan change has already been notified, the S42A report will be based on the private plan change as notified. The Chair, in setting the hearing timetable, will take into consideration the extent of any proposed changes to ensure all parties have sufficient time to prepare for the hearing.
- 5. Any enquiries regarding these Directions or related matters should be directed to the Council's Hearings Manager, Julie McKee, by email at julie.mckee@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz.

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