

14 March 2025

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To the Submitters

Tēnā koe

PLAN CHANGE – NOTICE OF HEARING

Applicant	Riverhead Landowner Group
Private Plan Change	Plan Change 100 - Riverhead
Application description	to rezone 6 ha of land in Riverhead from Future Urban to Rural-Mixed Rural zone and 75.5 ha to a mix of Residential – Mixed Housing Suburban, Residential – Terrace Housing and Apartment Building, 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

The above proposed private plan change will be heard by Hearing Commissioners **Karyn Kurzeja (Chairperson)**, **Nigel Mark-Brown** and **Vanessa Wilkinson** at a hearing to be held as follows:

Date: **Monday 19 to Wednesday 21 May 2025**
(with Thursday 22 May as an overflow day if required)

Time: **9.30am**

Venue: **Henderson Chamber**
Level 2, 1 Smythe Road
Henderson, Auckland

You are invited to attend the hearing where the Hearing Commissioners will consider submissions in support of/or opposing the application. Attendance via MSTeams is available on request, by contacting the hearings advisor.

Please note the commissioners will carry out a site visit, individually or together, either before, during or after the hearing which may involve them going on to the application site and, if necessary, submitters' sites. During the site visit, the commissioners will not speak to any of the parties directly about the application's merits.

The chair has directed that evidence is to be pre-circulated for this hearing. See the attached Direction. In accordance with the Direction, evidence is due to be received by the Hearings Advisor as follows.

Key Dates for this hearing	
Council S42A report available	Monday, 17 March 2025 by 5pm
Applicant's evidence due	Monday, 31 March 2025 at 12 noon
Council addendum S42A report available	Monday, 14 April 2025 at 5pm
Submitters expert evidence due	Thursday, 1 May 2025 by 12 noon
Applicant's supplementary evidence requested	Monday, 12 May 2025 by 12 noon
Submitter non-expert evidence requested	Wednesday, 14 May 2025 by 12 noon
Applicant's legal submissions requested	Wednesday, 14 May 2025 by 12 noon
Appearance forms returned	Monday, 5 May 2025 by 12 noon
Hearing dates	Monday 19 to Wednesday 21 May 2025 (Thursday 22 May as an overflow day if required)

The officer's report and evidence will be made available on council's website at:
<https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/have-your-say/hearings/find-hearing/Pages/find-auckland-unitary-plan-hearing.aspx>

As per the direction the following apply:

- (a) **The council** officer's report (section 42A) and any evidence will be available on the council website no later than **5pm on Monday, 17 March 2025**.
- (b) **The applicant** is required to provide all its briefs of evidence by 12 noon on **Monday, 31 March 2025**. You will be advised once the evidence is available.
- (c) **The council** officer's addendum report and any evidence will be available on the council website no later than **5pm on Monday, 14 April 2025**. This addendum report will be in response to any amendments the applicant proposes in its evidence.
- (d) **Any submitter** proposing to call expert witnesses is required to provide briefs of their evidence by **12 noon Thursday, 1 May 2025**. An expert is a professional such as a planner, traffic engineer or similar.

Submitter non-expert evidence have been requested to be provided by **12 noon on Wednesday, 14 May 2025**

The submitter is required to provide:

- 1 hard copy of the evidence
- 1 soft copy - briefs of evidence to be provided via email or on a data stick, each file should be less than 10Mb.

Electronic copies of evidence can be sent to the Hearings Advisor at DS-Hearings@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz, Attn: Julie McKee

If you have not provided your statement electronically in advance of the hearing, please bring 10 hard copies with you to the hearing.

- (e) A short-written summary for briefs of evidence in excess of 10 pages is helpful. It is likely the commissioners will request that this at least is read at the hearing.
- (f) Email will be the address for service for the submitters unless advised otherwise.

- (g) If the hearing is held virtually, or you plan to attend virtually, please ensure your evidence is provided to the Hearings Advisor electronically before the hearing commences. The panel members will have already read your original submission and they will have that in front of them at the hearing.

If you wish to attend the hearing, please fill in the attached appearance form and return it to me by Monday, 5 May 2025.

The safety and wellbeing of our customers, team members and communities in Auckland is important to us. If you are sick or have COVID-19 symptoms, please do not attend the hearing in-person.

For those participants who cannot attend in person or who wish to attend virtually, please let the Hearings Advisor know by Monday, 12 May 2025 (or as soon as possible before the hearing) and they will send you a MSTeams link prior to the hearing.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on 09 977 6993 if you have any questions in relation to this hearing.

Ngā mihi

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Julie McKee'.

Julie McKee
Kaiwhakahaere Whakawātanga
Hearings Manager