

**IN THE MATTER**

of the Resource Management

Act 1991

**AND**

**PLAN CHANGE 31**

Schedule 14.1

Historic Heritage Additions

**DIRECTIONS OF THE HEARING PANEL OF COMMISSIONERS  
PLAN CHANGE 31: PRE-CIRCULATION OF EVIDENCE**

1. The Auckland Council (the Council) has appointed Independent Hearing Commissioners David Mead and Shona Myers and Local Board Member Lisa Whyte pursuant to section 34A of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) to hear and determine submissions to Plan Change 31.
2. The hearing is to commence Wednesday 1 July 2020.
3. The Commissioners direct as follows:
  - (a) Pursuant to section 42A RMA, that the Council's section 42A report be made available on Council's web site by 12 noon, **Friday 5 June 2020**.
  - (b) Pursuant to section 41B(3) and (4) RMA, if any person who has made a submission intends to call expert evidence at the hearing (generally being evidence given by a professional with specialist qualifications and experience) then that party is to provide that evidence to the Council by 12 noon, **Friday 19 June 2020**.
  - (c) Pursuant to section 42A RMA, the Council may, in response to the expert evidence of submitters, provide an updated set of plan provisions (track changes) as an addendum to the section 42A report by 5pm, **Friday 26 June 2020**, with any supporting commentary as needed.
4. As soon as possible after receipt of any such evidence received pursuant to the above Directions, the Council is to place the evidence on Council's website. Evidence should be in PDF or Word format.
5. The purpose of these Directions is to provide the opportunity for the Commissioners and the parties to consider any technical evidence in advance of the hearing and to assist all parties in understanding that evidence.

6. The Directions do not apply to evidence to be presented by submitters who are “non-experts”, or persons who do not provide expert evidence at these types of proceedings. They will have the opportunity to present written or oral evidence at the hearing in the normal manner. They do not need to pre-circulate their own statements or representations before the hearing commences.
7. The date for this hearing has been set outside the anticipated COVID-19 Alert level 3 timeframes. However, should time frames or Alert levels be amended, and this hearing not be able to take place in person, then alternative arrangements will need to be put in place. These arrangements will be detailed in a Minute prior to the hearing.

Any enquiries regarding these Directions or related matters should be directed to Sidra Khan, Auckland Council Hearings Advisor: [sidra.khan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:sidra.khan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz)



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