## **IN THE MATTER** of the Reserves Act 1977 (the Act)

## AND

**IN THE MATTER** of Auckland Council's proposal to revoke the reserve status of 2R Tī Rākau Drive, Pakūranga

## HEARING DIRECTIONS FROM THE HEARING PANEL

- 1. Auckland Council (the Council) has appointed a Hearing Panel consisting of a sole commissioner, Kitt Littlejohn, to hear submissions on the proposal to revoke the reserve status of 2R Tī Rākau Drive, Pakūranga and make a recommendation to the Planning, Environment & Parks Committee (now known as the Policy and Planning Committee).
- 2. The hearing has been set down on **Wednesday 27 November 2024.** This is to provide the objectors with an opportunity to be heard in relation to their objections.
- 3. In terms of procedural matters, section 120(3) of the Act allows the hearing panel to set its own procedures. The panel is aware that the council is preparing a report and considers that pre-circulating submissions ahead of the hearing would assist in understanding the case being presented.
- 4. The Chairperson has considered whether any directions are appropriate and makes the following directions:
  - (a) The hearing report being prepared by council officers shall be provided to the Council's Hearing Advisor no later than 9.00am, <u>Monday 4 November 2024</u> and be placed on the Council's website no later than 5.00pm <u>Wednesday 6 November</u> <u>2024</u>.
  - (b) Submissions in support of objections shall be provided to the Council's Hearing Advisor no later than midday <u>Wednesday 20 November 2024</u> and be placed on the Council's website no later than 5.00pm that same day.
- 5. The purpose of these Directions is to provide the opportunity for the Hearing Panel and the other parties to have read and considered all information in advance of the hearing to assist in understanding the case being presented. As the Hearing Panel will have read all the pre-circulated material before the hearing, there will be no need for it to be read out. An executive summary may be read out or the key points highlighted.

Any enquiries regarding these Directions or related matters should be directed to the Council's Hearing Advisor, by email at julie.mckee@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz.

Kitt Littlejohn, Chairperson 19 September 2024