

6 March 2024

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To the Submitters

Tēnā koe

NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT APPLICATION – NOTICE OF HEARING

Address	Thirteen Notices of Requirement for the North Project
Requiring Authority	Te Tupu Ngatahi - Supporting Growth Alliance
Proposed activity	See attached appendix A

The above application will be heard by Hearing Commissioners **Richard Blakey (Chairperson), Mark Farnsworth and Vaughan Smith** at a hearing to be held as follows:

Date: **Monday 17 to Thursday 20 June**
Monday 24 to Thursday 27 June and
Monday 1 to Thursday 4 July 2024
 (Note: not all days may be required)

Time: **9.30am**

Venue: **North Lounge (17-20 June), South Lounge (24-27 June and 1-4 July) North Harbour Stadium, Stadium Road Albany, Auckland**

The chair has directed that evidence is to be pre-circulated for this hearing. See the attached Direction #1. In accordance with the Direction, evidence is due to be received by the Hearings Advisor as follows:

Key Dates for this hearing (for more information, see below)	
Council S42a report available	Thursday, 11 April 2024, 5pm
Requiring Authority's evidence due	Wednesday, 1 May 2024, midday
Submitters expert evidence due	Monday, 20 May 2024, midday
Requiring Authority's rebuttal evidence	Friday, 7 June 2024 by 12 noon
Submitter's non-expert evidence requested	Friday, 7 June 2024 by 12 noon
Requiring Authority's legal submissions	Wednesday, 12 June 2024 by 12 noon
Appearance forms returned	Friday, 7 June 2024

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

Please note the commissioners may 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 officer's report and accompanying information will be made available within 24 hours of receipt or as soon as is practicable and this can be found:

<https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/have-your-say/hearings/find-hearing/Pages/find-auckland-unitary-plan-hearing.aspx>

The following apply:

- (a) **The council** report will be available on the council website no later than 5pm on **Thursday, 11 April 2024**.
- (b) **The Requiring Authority** is required to provide all its briefs of evidence by **Wednesday, 1 May 2024**. You will be advised once the evidence is available.
- (c) **Any submitter** proposing to call expert witnesses is required to provide briefs of evidence from those experts by **midday, Monday, 20 May 2024**. An expert is a professional such as a planner, traffic engineer or similar.

The expert witness is required to provide:

- 1 hard copy of the evidence at the hearing
 - 1 soft copy - briefs of evidence to be provided via email or on a data stick, each file should be less than 10Mb.
- (d) Following the receipt of submitters expert evidence, **the Requiring Authority** is required to provide any rebuttal statements of evidence electronically to the Hearings Advisor by **midday, Friday, 7 June 2024**. You will be advised once the evidence is available.
 - (e) **Submitters** are requested to provide their non-expert evidence/statements by **midday, Friday, 7 June 2024**.
 - (f) **The Requiring Authority** is required to provide their opening legal submissions by **midday, Wednesday 12 June 2024**.
 - (g) 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.
 - (h) Email will be the address for service for the applicant and submitters, unless advised otherwise.

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.

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

Please fill in the attached appearance form and return it to me by Friday, 7 June 2024 if you would like to appear at the hearing, so that we can schedule your appearance and inform you of your approximate speaking time.

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 Friday 7 June 2024 (or as soon as possible before the hearing) and they will send you a MTeams link prior to the hearing.

The hearing panel has also issued Direction #2 which accepts a late submission for NoR8. This is also attached for your information.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on 098902009 if you have any questions in relation to this hearing.

Ngā mihi

Chayla Walker
Kaitohutohu Whakawātanga
Hearings Advisor

APPENDIX A

The North Projects are thirteen individual transport projects in Auckland's North, located between Albany and Ōrewa, in the growth areas of Dairy Flat, Redvale, Stillwater, Silverdale and Wainui East. Te Tupu Ngātahi Supporting Growth Alliance has lodged a package of thirteen notices of requirement with the Council for route protection of the Projects, which will allow for future construction at a later date. These Projects include a new Rapid Transit Corridor, new rapid transit stations, improvements to State Highway 1, new connections, and upgrades to key existing routes

The thirteen NoR's are:

NOR1 - NORTH: NEW RAPID TRANSIT CORRIDOR, INCLUDING A WALKING AND CYCLING PATH – WAKA KOTAHI (NZTA)
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Notice of requirement lodged by Waka Kotahi (New Zealand Transport Agency) for a designation for a new Rapid Transit Corridor between Albany Bus Station and Milldale, via Dairy Flat, including a cycleway and/or shared path.

NOR2 – NORTH: NEW RAPID TRANSIT STATION AT MILLDALE – WAKA KOTAHI (NZTA)

Notice of requirement lodged by Waka Kotahi for a designation for a new Rapid Transit Station in Milldale, including transport interchange facilities and active mode facilities.

NOR3 – NORTH: NEW RAPID TRANSIT STATION AT PINE VALLEY ROAD – WAKA KOTAHI (NZTA)

Notice of requirement lodged by Waka Kotahi (New Zealand Transport Agency) for a designation for a new rapid transit station at Pine Valley Road, Dairy Flat, including transport interchange facilities, active mode facilities and park and ride facilities.
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NOR4 – NORTH: STATE HIGHWAY 1 IMPROVEMENTS – ALBANY TO ŌREWA AND ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING DESIGNATIONS 6751, 6760, 6759, 6761 – WAKA KOTAHI (NZTA)
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Notice of requirement lodged by Waka Kotahi to alter Designations 6751 State Highway 1 - Albany, 6759 State Highway 1 – Silverdale, 6760 State Highway 1 – Redvale to Silverdale, and 6761 State Highway 1 – Silverdale to Puhoi for State Highway 1 improvements from Albany to Ōrewa.

NOR5 – NORTH: NEW STATE HIGHWAY 1 CROSSING AT DAIRY STREAM – AUCKLAND TRANSPORT (AT)

Notice of requirement lodged by Auckland Transport for a designation for a new urban arterial corridor with active mode facilities and State Highway 1 motorway overbridge in the vicinity of Dairy Stream, between Top Road in Dairy Flat and East Coast Road in Stillwater.

NOR6 – NORTH: NEW CONNECTION BETWEEN MILLDALE AND GRAND DRIVE, ŌREWA – AUCKLAND TRANSPORT (AT)

Notice of requirement lodged by Auckland Transport for a designation for a new urban arterial corridor with active mode facilities between Wainui Road in Milldale and Grand Drive in Upper Ōrewa.
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NOR7 – NORTH: UPGRADE TO PINE VALLEY ROAD – AUCKLAND TRANSPORT (AT)

Notice of requirement lodged by Auckland Transport for a designation for an upgrade to Pine Valley Road in Dairy Flat to an urban arterial corridor with active mode facilities between Argent Lane and the rural-urban boundary.

NOR8 – NORTH: UPGRADE TO DAIRY FLAT HIGHWAY BETWEEN SILVERDALE AND DAIRY FLAT – AUCKLAND TRANSPORT (AT)

Notice of requirement lodged by Auckland Transport for a designation for an upgrade to Dairy Flat Highway to an urban arterial corridor with active mode facilities between Silverdale Interchange and Durey Road in Dairy Flat.

NOR9 – NORTH: UPGRADE TO DAIRY FLAT HIGHWAY BETWEEN DAIRY FLAT AND ALBANY – AUCKLAND TRANSPORT (AT)

Notice of requirement lodged by Auckland Transport for a designation for an upgrade to Dairy Flat Highway between Durey Road in Dairy Flat and Albany village, including active mode facilities and safety improvements.

NOR10 – NORTH: UPGRADE TO WAINUI ROAD – AUCKLAND TRANSPORT (AT)

Notice of requirement lodged by Auckland Transport for a designation for an upgrade to Wainui Road to an urban arterial corridor with active mode facilities, between Lysnar Road in Wainui, and the State Highway 1 northbound Wainui Road offramp.

NOR11 – NORTH: NEW CONNECTION BETWEEN DAIRY FLAT HIGHWAY AND WILKS ROAD – AUCKLAND TRANSPORT (AT)

Notice of requirement lodged by Auckland Transport for a designation for a new urban arterial corridor with active mode facilities between Dairy Flat Highway (at the intersection of Kahikatea Flat Road) and Wilks Road in Dairy Flat.

NOR12 – NORTH: UPGRADE AND EXTENSION TO BAWDEN ROAD – AUCKLAND TRANSPORT (AT)

Notice of requirement lodged by Auckland Transport for a designation for for an upgrade and extension to Bawden Road to an urban arterial corridor active mode facilities, between Dairy Flat Highway and State Highway 1.

NOR13 – NORTH: UPGRADE TO EAST COAST ROAD BETWEEN SILVERDALE AND REDVALE – AUCKLAND TRANSPORT (AT)

Notice of requirement lodged by Auckland Transport for a designation for an upgrade to East Coast Road to an urban arterial corridor with active mode facilities, between Hibiscus Coast Highway in Silverdale and the Ō Mahurangi Penlink (Redvale) Interchange.