

24 November 2020



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To the submitters

Tēnā koe

PLAN MODIFICATION – NOTICE OF HEARING

Applicant	Stonehill Trustees Ltd
Plan modification number	Private Plan Modification 43
Application description	to rezone land from a Quarry zone to a Light Industrial zone and amend boundaries for an outstanding natural feature, significant ecological area and archaeological features at McLaughlin's Road, Wiri.
Site address	McLaughlin's Quarry

The safety and wellbeing of our customers, team members and communities in Auckland is always our utmost priority. We want to assure you that we're taking the necessary precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19. We're dedicated to protecting against COVID-19. For the most up to date information on COVID-19 please visit www.covid19.govt.nz. For the most up to date information about council's services please visit www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz.

Auckland is at COVID-19 alert level 1 at the time of this hearing notification. While most participants will be attending the hearing in person, there are alternative options to attend virtually if required. Please contact the Hearings Advisor to discuss these options no later than (add day appearance form is due).

Attendees at a hearing under COVID-19 Alert level 1 are still encouraged to:

- maintain good hygiene practices
- keep track of where you have been using the QR code on arrival
- keep your distance from people you don't know
- use a face-covering if desired
- no participants are to attend who have COVID-19 symptoms or who need to be in isolation/quarantine for any reason.

Should the COVID-19 Alert Level retract to level 2 or above at the time this hearing is scheduled to be held, the Hearings Advisor will contact you about how we will proceed with the hearing.

The above proposed plan modification will be heard by Hearing Commissioners Greg Hill (Chairperson), Peter Reaburn and Mark Farnsworth at a hearing to be held as follows:

Dates: Wednesday 14 April, Thursday 15 April 2021 (Friday 16 April if required)

Time: 9.30am

Venue: Totara room
Level 2, Manukau Civic Building,
33 Manukau Station Road, Auckland 2104

You are invited to attend the hearing where the hearing commissioners will consider submissions in support of, or opposing, the application. Please note that 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 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	Friday, 19 March 2021
Applicant's evidence due	Friday, 26 March 2021 at 12 noon
Submitters expert evidence due	Tuesday, 6 April 2021 at 12 noon
Appearance forms returned	Tuesday 6 April 2021 at 12 noon
Non – expert evidence and opening legal submissions are encouraged	Thursday 8 April 2021 at 5pm
Hearing dates	Wednesday 14 April, Thursday 15 April 2021 (Friday 16 April 2021 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?Year=2021>

The following apply:

- (a) **The council** is directed to provide its officer's reports and any evidence at least 15 working days prior to the date of the hearing. This report will be available on the council website no later than 5pm on **Friday 19 March 2021**.
- (b) **The applicant** is directed to provide all its briefs of evidence at least 10 working days prior to the date of the hearing. You will be advised once the evidence is available.
- (c) **Any submitter** proposing to call expert witnesses is directed to provide briefs of evidence from those experts at least five working days before the hearing. An expert is a professional such as a planner, traffic engineer or similar.

To ensure this evidence is available on council's website at least five working days prior to the hearing, it is required by midday, **Tuesday 6 April 2021**. It must be sent to the applicant at the same time. The applicant's contact email address is sukhi.singh@babbage.co.nz

The expert witness is required to provide:

- 10 hard copies 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.

We encourage any submitter who is providing a personal statement to read at the hearing, to provide this electronically to the Hearings Advisor by midday, two working day prior to the hearing. The requirement to bring 10 hard copies of these statements to the hearing remains.

- (d) 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.
- (e) The council will make available all reports and evidence on its website within 24 hours of receipt or as soon as is practicable. The link to the website is:

<https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/have-your-say/hearings/find-hearing/Pages/find-resource-consent-hearing.aspx>

- (f) Email will be the address for service for the applicant and submitters, unless advised otherwise.

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

Please fill in the attached appearance form and return it to me no later than Tuesday 6 April 2021 at 12 noon if you would like to appear at the hearing.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on 09 352 2616 if you have any questions in relation to this hearing,

Ngā mihi



Prasta Rai
Hearings Advisor