

Friday 17 December 2021

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To the Submitters

Tēnā koe

PLAN CHANGE – NOTICE OF HEARING

Applicant	KBS Design Group Limited
Private Plan Change	66 - SITE ADDRESS
Application description	to rezone 57 Schnapper Rock Road from Residential – Large Lot Zone to Residential – Single House Zone (2.11 ha) and Residential – Mixed Housing Suburban Zone (1.88 ha), and to remove the Greenhithe Precinct from 57 and 57A Schnapper Rock Road.

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. Please ensure you read the COVID-19 requirements for hearings at the bottom of this letter.

The above proposed private plan change will be heard by Hearing Commissioners **Cherie Lane (Chairperson), Nigel Mark-Brown and Trevor Mackie** at a hearing to be held as follows:

Date: Thursday 10 and Friday 11 February 2022

Time: 9.30am

**Venue: Boardroom
Ground Floor, Kaipātiki Local Board
90 Bentley Avenue, Glenfield, 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 by 12 noon Tuesday 1 February 2022.

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	Tuesday 18 January 2022 by 5pm
Applicant's evidence available	Tuesday 25 January 2022 by 5pm
Submitters expert evidence due	Wednesday 2 February 2022 by 12 noon
Applicant's supplementary evidence and legal submissions requested	Tuesday 8 February 2022 at 12 noon
Submitter non-expert evidence and legal submissions requested	Tuesday 8 February 2022 by 12 noon
Appearance forms returned	Wednesday 2 February 2022 by 12 noon
Hearing dates	Thursday 10 and Friday 11 February 2022, 9:30am start

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 Friday 14th January 2022**.
- (b) **The applicant** is required to provide all its briefs of evidence by 12 noon on **Tuesday 25 January 2022**. You will be advised once the evidence is available.
- (c) **Any submitter** proposing to call expert witnesses is required to provide briefs of their evidence by **12 noon Tuesday 1 February 2022**. An expert is a professional such as a planner, traffic engineer or similar.

Submitter non-expert evidence and legal submissions have been requested to be provided by **12 noon on Tuesday 8 February 2022**

The submitter is required to provide:

- 5 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.

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

(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) Email will be the address for service for the submitters unless advised otherwise.

If you wish to attend the hearing, please fill in the attached appearance form and return it to me by Wednesday 2 February 2022.

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.

At the date of this letter Auckland is in the red setting of the COVID-19 Protection Framework. There are restrictions with face-to-face hearings at this level that include:

- possible restrictions on the number of people who can attend the hearing in person. The Hearings Advisor will discuss this with the parties before the hearing to ensure number restrictions are adhered to. You may be requested to have some experts attend virtually
- all attendees must show their 'My Vaccine Pass' before entering the premises
- all attendees must use the QR code on arrival or complete a written sign-in document
- use of a face-covering is mandatory – there may be an opportunity for the speaker to remove their face-covering while they speak
- ensure the requirement for physical distancing between parties is adhered to
- no participants are to attend who have COVID-19 symptoms or who need to be in isolation/quarantine for any reason.

There will be alternative options available for those participants who cannot attend in person. Please contact the Hearings Advisor to discuss these options no later than Tuesday 1 February 2022.

Should it be determined at any time that it is not safe to hold the hearing face-to-face, the Hearings Advisor will contact you about how we will proceed with the hearing.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on 09 353 9587 if you have any questions in relation to this hearing.

Ngā mihi



Sam Otter
Kaitohutohu Mataamua Whakawā
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