

Additional Topic¹ Allocation Form

Submitter name	
Submission number	
Further submission number	
Date	

This form is to be completed by submitters who wish to have their submissions allocated to additional hearing topics. Please use the [Guide to creating topic and subtopic parties lists](#) to determine your current hearing topics.

You must send your Additional Topic Allocation Form (Form) to the Hearing Advisor npsudhearings@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz, as soon as possible or no later than 10 working days before the council's evidence is due.

On receipt of your Form, the Independent Hearing Panel (IHP) chair will determine whether to allow the request.

The IHP will make all Forms and its decision available on the Independent Hearing Panel webpage.

Note: Submitters will retain allocation of original hearing topics whether or not the chair grants the request.

Additional Topic Allocation Criteria

The allocation request will only be permitted where:

- The primary submission is directly 'on' the requested topic, or if indirectly 'on' the requested topic reasons are to be provided why the additional allocation should be granted.
- The requested topic has not already been heard.
- The request is received no later than 10 working days prior to the council evidence exchange for the hearing topic (generally 25 working days before the hearing)
- The decision is consistent with the principles set out in [IHP Hearing Procedures](#) document dated December 2022 and any other Panel document.

Please complete the table(s) below:

¹ Topic in this context means topic or subtopic depending on specificity of the request.



Request 1

Submission point number (if any)	
Requested topic allocation	
Requested subtopic allocation	
Reasons	
Text of submission 'on' the topic	

Request 2

Submission point	
Requested topic allocation	
Requested subtopic allocation	
Reasons	
Text of submission 'on' the topic	

You are welcome to attach additional pages if more space is required.

Panel Decision – if granted in part, please specify below.			
Granted 	Declined	Date: 21 March 2024	Signature: 

Reason:

The requested topics have not been heard. The requests were received more than 10 working days prior to the council's exchange of evidence.

Request 1 is Granted submission point 830.24 is additionally allocated to Topics 016C – Business – Town Centre Zone Provisions, 016D – Business – Local Centre Zone Provisions, and 016E Business – Neighbourhood Centre Zone Provisions, as it is 'on' those topics.

While Topic 014 is the primary topic for addressing height, there are submission points which seek relief relating to height coded to Topics 016C, D, and E. The inclusion of the submission points means that for the purposes of the hearings, Topics 16C, D and E will address matters including potential changes to height in addition to other provisions in the respective Business centres zones.

Ockham Group Limited has identified within their primary submission, relief which directly relate to increasing town centre zoning heights and indirect requests on the local and neighbourhood centre zones. Section 9.1 of requester's submission explicitly refers to seeking additional height to the Mt Albert Town Centre Zone. With regards to local and neighbourhood centre zones, para 9.2.1 and the general thrust of the requester's submission have sought to increase height of development within walkable centres to 27m. While the request does not specifically refer to the centre zones, we agree with the requester that the Business – Town, Local and Neighbourhood centres are captured within the spatial definition of RTN walkable catchments. On this basis, it is said the requester's submission is 'on' heights within the Town, Local and Neighbourhood centres zones. Therefore, considering it is 'on' height and the nature of height being addressed in Topics 016C, D, and E, the submission is 'on' those topics.

For the administrative purposes, submission point 830.24 is selected for additional topic allocation as:

- it best aligns with the substantive matter raised in the allocation request; and
- to avoid unnecessary confusion created by allocating all submission points [most of which do not relate to the 016 topics] within Ockham Group Limited's primary submission.