

**TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN CHANGE:**

**PLAN CHANGE 38: STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS**  
**PLAN CHANGE 42: GENERAL RURAL AND RURAL LIFESTYLE ENVIRONMENTS**  
**PLAN CHANGE 43 – TAUPŌ INDUSTRIAL**

**MINUTE 14 OF THE INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL**

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1. This Minute is being sent to you because you are either a submitter or a Council reporting officer to **Plan Change 38: Strategic Directions, Plan Change 42 General Rural and Rural Lifestyle Environments** and **Plan Change 43: Taupō Industrial** to the District Plan.

**Minute Purpose**

2. This is a brief Minute and largely repeats the request associated with Minute 12 (dated 19 August 2023) regarding PC38 Strategic Directions but looks to formalise the inclusion of PC42 General Rural and Rural Lifestyle Environments in that request.
3. During the first day of the hearing for the General Rural and Rural Lifestyle Environments it became apparent to the Panel that there are commonalities across the 'Energy Cohort' regarding the provisions for PC42 as there was with PC38. We discussed this briefly with Ms Hayley Stronge (Mercury) who informed us that the Cohort had anticipated our request to 'add' PC42 to the requirements of Minute 12 – we certainly appreciate this.

**Outputs**

4. As detailed in Minute 12 the following outputs are required:
  - An agreed version of Strategic Direction, General Rural and Rural Lifestyle Environments, and Industrial Environment provisions
  - An agreed s32AA analysis for all the above, and
  - (As part of the above), a wiring diagram or table showing the relevant higher order documents and their provisions, and the lower order provisions to ensure that they work together for each plan change i.e., that there is a 'line of sight' with no gaps or orphans.
5. Mr Rowe had the role of putting together a programme setting out the terms of the deliverables (detailed in the above paragraph) and to lodge this with the Hearings Administrator by **1pm today (Tuesday 22 August 2023)** for the Panels confirmation. This has now occurred.
6. We confirm that the Terms of Reference is appropriate. We also accept the revised date for the deliverable to be **Friday 8 September 2023** due to the addition of PC42.

### **Next steps**

7. The Panel will provide subsequent Minutes on any further updates in relation to the hearing's proceedings in due course.
8. Any submitter enquiries relating to the above content and the hearing should be directed to the Hearing Administrators in the first instance Hilary Samuel or Haydee Wood and can be contacted at [districtplan@taupo.govt.nz](mailto:districtplan@taupo.govt.nz).

**DATED** Tuesday 22 August 2023



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DJ McMahon

Chair - Independent Hearings Panel

For and on behalf of:

Commissioner Elizabeth Burge

Councillor Kevin Taylor