

MINUTE 7**WITNESS APPEARANCES****Introduction**

- [1] We have attempted to facilitate an efficient hearing process by posing written questions to both the TDC section 42A authors / experts and the Incorporation witnesses / experts in advance of the hearing. For some of those participants we had no or very few written questions and so they need not attend the hearing in person on our account (unless their client wishes them to attend of course). It will be sufficient to have them on 'stand by' to answer queries on the day.
- [2] We have also received a request from counsel for the Incorporation¹ to excuse Ms Sian Keith from giving evidence at the hearing, with her being available by Zoom to answer any questions from the Panel.
- [3] Counsel for the Incorporation also noted that Ms Phillips, a geotechnical engineer advising TDC, is relocating to the South Island this week. Counsel sought directions that Ms Phillips can attend the hearing to answer any questions by Zoom or other electronic means.

Witnesses Who Need Not Attend the Hearing in Person

- [4] In light of the above requests and discussion, at this stage² we consider that the following witnesses may be excused from attending the hearing in person provided they remain available by Zoom (or similar) or telephone to answer questions on the day if they are not resident in Taupō. If resident in Taupō they should be available 'on call' to come to the hearing at short notice if required.

Incorporation Witnesses:

- Tony Kelly - Stormwater
- Sian Keith - Archaeology

TDC witnesses

- Kenneth Phillips - Archaeology
- Maddison Phillips - Geotechnical
- Johan Hansson - Traffic
- Thomas Swindells – Drinking water
- Michael Cordell - Wastewater
- Roger Stokes- Stormwater
- Nathan Mourie - Reserves

Feedback

- [5] We invite feedback from the Incorporation and the TDC regarding whether any witnesses / experts should either be added to, or removed from, this list (with reasons).



Rob van Voorthuysen

Independent Commissioner - Chair - on Behalf of the Commissioners

Dated: 27 May 2020

¹ Memorandum of Counsel on Behalf of Applicant in Opposition to Adjournment of Plan Change Request and Deferral of Current Timetable, 26 May 2020, paragraph 29.

² We have yet to view any JWS and the Incorporation's rebuttal evidence. Our view on witness attendance may change once we have viewed that further material.