

## **TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL**

### **PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN CHANGES:**

**PLAN CHANGE 38: STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS**

**PLAN CHANGE 39: RESIDENTIAL BUILDING COVERAGE**

**PLAN CHANGE 40: TAUPŌ TOWN CENTRE**

**PLAN CHANGE 41: REMOVAL OF FAULT LINES**

**PLAN CHANGE 42: GENERAL RURAL AND RURAL LIFESTYLE ENVIRONMENTS**

**PLAN CHANGE 43: TAUPŌ INDUSTRIAL ENVIRONMENTS**

### **MINUTE 3 OF THE INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL**

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#### **Extension to the date of Evidence**

1. This Minute is being sent to you because you are either a submitter or a Council reporting officer to the above Plan Changes.
2. In Minute 2 we identified that the Section 42A reports for Plan Changes 38, 39, 40, 41 and 43 would be available on the Councils website by 10 July 2023. And the Section 42A report for Plan Change 42 would be available on 28 July 2023.
3. On Monday 10 July 2023 the Council requested an **extension** for the Section 42A report **for Plan Change 43 (Taupo Industrial)**. The reason for the request was that the National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity (NPS-IB) was gazetted on 7 July 2023 (coming into force on 4 August 2023) and due to some ecology related submissions for PC43 the reporting officer requests an extension **until Thursday 13 July 2023** to ensure that they have adequately considered the implications of the NPS-IB on the Plan Change.
4. We note that the Section 42A report for PC43 would still be available in excess of the required 10 working days and consider that this extension would not cause anyone any evidence timetabling issues. As a reminder any expert evidence called by submitters must be made available at least 5 full working days before the start of the hearing that being **noon on Wednesday 9 August 2023**.
5. The final Section 42A report being **PC42** (General Rural and Rural Lifestyle) is anticipated to be available on **28 July 2023** as proposed.
6. Accordingly we grant the extension for the Section 42A report for PC43 (Taupo Industrial) until **Thursday 13 July 2023**.
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 proposed plan changes and the hearing should be directed to the Hearing Administrators Hilary Samuel or Haydee Wood and can be contacted at [districtplan@taupo.govt.nz](mailto:districtplan@taupo.govt.nz).

**DATED** Tuesday 12 July 2023



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DJ McMahon

Chair - Independent Hearings Panel

For and on behalf of:

Commissioner Elizabeth Burge

Councillor Yvonne Westerman

Councillor Kevin Taylor