

IN THE MATTER

of the Resource Management Act
1991

AND

IN THE MATTER

of Proposed Plan Change 4 to the
Christchurch District Plan: Short-
Term Accommodation

**MINUTE 6 – REQUEST FOR CHANGE OF DIRECTIONS REGARDING AMENDED SECTION
42A REPORT, CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL – OPPORTUNITY FOR SUBMITTER
COMMENT**

1. Counsel for the Council has requested a change to the directions in the Panel's Minutes 3 and 5 concerning the content of the Council's amended section 42A report and the content of the submitters' evidence in response. This is as a result of the Council's engagement of a new planner to provide the Council's planning input for Plan Change 4 (PC4). I understand Counsel's memorandum has been provided directly to all submitters.
2. The purpose of this Minute is to provide submitters on PC4 with the opportunity to comment on this request, in particular the practical consequences of the request, prior to the Panel making its decision on the change to directions sought by the Council.
3. As a preliminary indication of the Panel's thoughts on the Council's request, we agree that (in accordance with the Environment Court's Practice Note¹) the Council's new planner, Mr Bayliss, needs to express his own expert professional opinion and inform the Panel where this differs from the views contained in the original section 42A report. We consider it would be helpful for the Panel and all parties to PC4 if Mr Bayliss' professional opinions were known in advance of the hearing, not only in relation to the economic assessment but also where his expert planning views differ from those of the original section 42A report planner. It is also the Panel's preliminary view, consistent with our determination in Minute 5, that the 4 weeks currently set down for submitter response to the updated s42A report is a reasonable and sufficient time period.
4. Any comments from submitters on the Council's request, in particular any practical

¹ Environment Court of New Zealand, Practice Note, 2014

consequences for a submitter, shall be in writing and provided to Lloyds Scully, the Hearing Administrator, at lloyds.scully@ccc.govt.nz, no later than **4pm on Thursday 5th August**.

Sarah Dawson (Chair)

2 August 2021