IN THE MATTER OF Resource Management Act 1991

AND

**IN THE MATTER OF** Proposed Plan Change 14 Housing and

Business Choice pursuant to Part 5, subpart 5A and Part 6 of Schedule 1 of the Resource

Management Act 1991

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## MINUTE 37: CROSS-EXAMINATION REQUESTS BY KĀINGA ORA - HOMES AND COMMUNITIES AND CARTER GROUP LIMITED

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[1] This is the thirty seventh procedural Minute to be issued by the Independent Hearings Panel (IHP) established by the Christchurch City Council (the Council) to conduct the hearing of submissions on proposed Plan Change 14 Housing and Business Choice (PC 14) notified by the Council and to make recommendations to the Council, after the hearing of submissions is concluded.

[2] The purpose of this Minute is to respond to Memoranda of Counsel from two submitters seeking leave to cross-examine Council witnesses.

## **Cross Examination**

[3] On 2 April 2024 Counsel for Kāinga Ora - Homes and Communities #834 #2082 #2099, filed a memorandum<sup>1</sup> seeking leave to cross-examine Council witnesses appearing at hearings in week 9.

[4] The memorandum sought leave to undertake cross-examination of two Council witnesses:

- (a) Sarah Oliver in relation to her analysis of the Tsunami Risk Management QM; and
- (b) Anita Hansbury in relation to the proposed financial contributions rules for the Tree Canopy QM.
- [5] On 4 April 2024 Counsel for Carter Group Limited #814 #824 #2044 filed a memorandum<sup>2</sup> seeking leave to cross-examine Council witnesses appearing at hearings in week 9.
- [6] The memorandum sought leave to undertake cross-examination of two Council witnesses:
  - (a) Brittany Ratka relating to significant trees; and
  - (b) Anita Hansbury relating to tree canopy and financial contributions.
- [7] For the reasons outlined in the memorandum leave is granted for Counsel for Kāinga Ora Homes and Communities and Carter Group Limited to cross-examine the witnesses detailed above, for up to ten minutes per witness, during the scheduled appearance of the witness.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Memorandum-of-counsel-for-Kainga-Ora-834-2082-2099-Cross-Examination-2-April-2024.pdf (ihp.govt.nz)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Memorandum-of-Counsel-for-Carter-Group-Limited-814-824-2044-Cross-Examination-4-April-2024.pdf (ihp.govt.nz)

[8] Where possible, if Counsel determines in advance of the scheduled appearance that they no longer wish to cross-examine a witness notice should be given to Counsel for the Council and the IHP Secretariat.

Dated 5 April 2024

Cindy Robinson

Chair

for Independent Hearings Panel