

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

MINUTE 6: UPDATE TO THE HEARING TIMELINE AS AT 23 AUGUST 2023

- [1] This is the sixth 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, pursuant to Part 5, subpart 5A and Part 6 of Schedule 1, of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA).
- [2] The purpose of this Minute is to advise all parties of amendments to the hearing timeline issued by the IHP on 15 August 2023.
- [3] On 18 August 2023 legal counsel on behalf of Carter Group Limited¹ and Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities² filed a memorandum of counsel seeking amendments to the hearing timeline.
- [4] The IHP agrees to the proposed amendments, with the exception of the date proposed for the filing of legal submissions, which remains at five working days before the submitter’s allocated speaking time.
- [5] The IHP also updates the timeline to require that evidence and documentation is required to be filed by 12 noon on the day it is due.
- [6] These amendments to the hearing timeline are detailed in Appendix 1 to this Minute which will be published on the IHP website³.
- [7] The IHP’s Hearing Procedures, available on the IHP website will be updated to reflect the changes detailed in this Minute.
- [8] Submitters are encouraged to file expert evidence in chief and other documentation in advance of the due date wherever possible.
- [9] The IHP reminds all parties that if evidence is not filed with the IHP Secretariat by 12noon on the day it is due then that party must ensure that evidence is pre-circulated to the Council and every other submitter to be heard on that hearing topic by alternative means.⁴

¹ Carter Group Limited, submitter #814, #824 and further submitter #2045

² Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities, submitter #834 and further submitter #2082, #2099

³ IHP website: chch2023.ihp.govt.nz

⁴ IHP Hearing Procedures, paragraph [93]

Dated 23 August 2023

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cindy Robinson', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Cindy Robinson

Chair

for Independent Hearings Panel

Appendix 1

Hearing Timeline

Updated 23 August 2023

Dates	Action/Duration
30 June 2023	Council to provide IHP with Plan Change Documentation required by Schedule 1, clause 97 (excluding 97(f), (g) and (h) relating to the further submission process)
19 July and 20 July 2023	IHP preliminary site visits/general location orientation
24 July 2023	Council to provide IHP with further submissions
1 August 2023	Pre-hearing meeting (procedural matters)
4 August 2023	Council to provide IHP with updated summary of submissions document
11 August 2023	Filing and service of s42A reports and Council evidence in chief
15 <u>20</u> September 2023	Filing and service of submitter and further submitter expert evidence in chief <u>by 12 noon</u>
18 <u>21</u> September – 29 September <u>3 October</u> 2023	Expert witness conferencing <u>Extension of this period to 3 October will be dependent upon facilitator availability</u>
<u>3 October 2023</u>	<u>Applications for rebuttal evidence due by 12 noon</u>
<u>4 October 2023</u>	<u>Decision on rebuttal applications by 5pm</u>
3 <u>5</u> October 2023	Filing of expert joint witness statements
<u>9 October 2023</u>	<u>Filing and service of submitter rebuttal evidence by 12 noon</u>
Five working days before allocated speaking time	Filing and service of brief opening legal submissions by all parties <u>by 12 noon five working days before speaking time</u>
10 October – 30 November 2023	Independent Hearings Panel Hearings IHP to generally sit Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, Mondays and Fridays with prior notice. Note Panel will sit Friday 13 October but not Tuesday 17 October Venue: Crowne Plaza, 764 Colombo Street, Christchurch
30, 31 January and 1 February 2024 13, 14 and 15 February 2024	Independent Hearings Panel Hearings - continuation and conclusion Venue: Te Hononga, Christchurch City Council Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street, Christchurch

29 February 2023	Filing of Council closing legal submissions, updated agreed provisions and s42A report officer recommendations
16 February – 29 April 2024	IHP deliberations and preparation of IHP Recommendations Report
By 30 April 2024	IHP Recommendations Report delivered to Council in accordance with Schedule 1, clause 99.

This timeline is indicative and will be subject to change and updated as hearings are scheduled.