

PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 1: INCREASING HOUSING SUPPLY AND CHOICE

MINUTE 3 OF INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL

1. This Minute follows up from Minute 2 dated 28 July which set the Panel has decided to open the hearing slightly earlier than previously foreshadowed in order consider some preliminary legal issues regarding scope. Minute 2 set out a timetable for the receipt of Council legal submissions
2. The combined directions from Minute 1 and Minute 2 required the following:
 - a. Expert evidence from submitters to be filed with the Council by 4pm 8 August 2025
 - b. The Council to provide legal submissions to the Panel by 11 August 2025, addressing the reasons the submission points noted in Ms Jenkin's 42A report as 'out of scope' have been identified as such, and it is to attend the hearing on 18 August 2025 to speak those submissions.
 - c. If the submitters listed In the Minute 2¹ wish to attend, they are to advise the Hearing Administrator as such by 4pm on 13 August 2025. If they intend to present legal submissions on the question of scope, these are to be filed with the Hearing Administrator by 4pm on 15 August 2025.
3. Since Minute 2, I have received a request from Counsel for Kāinga Ora (SO 199) requesting leave for Kāinga Ora to extend the date of lodgment of its technical evidence from 8 August to 11 August, given that it now must consider and prepare for the scope issue. I granted that request. As a consequential amendment I also now extend the time for the Council filing their legal submission to 4pm on Wednesday 13 August 2025. The timeframe for legal submission set out in para 2c above is unchanged.
4. As a reminder, if it is not practicable or convenient for any of the listed submitters to attend on 18 August, they may instead address these matters during their primary presentation on 1 September, and an appropriate time allocation will be provided for them to do so.
5. The Hearing Administrator is Mckayla Jaggard and can be reached at mckayla.jaggard@pncc.govt.nz.

DATED this 7th day of August 2025



DJ McMahon

Chair - Independent Hearings Panel

On behalf of the Hearing Panel

1. Samuel Hill (SO 48), Geneva Housing Ltd (SO 76), Susanne Aldrich (SO 114), Horizons Regional Council (SO 194), Crest Hospital Ltd (SO 197), Kāinga Ora (SO 199), Enviro NZ Services Ltd (SO 203) and Gillian Rapson (SO 214)