

Agenda 2025

Regulation Hearing Committee

Date: Wednesday, 3 December 2025

Time: 8:30 am

Venue: Council Chamber
Environment Canterbury
200 Tuam Street, Christchurch



Regulation Hearing Committee

Membership

Committee Chair: Councillor Claire McKay

Committee Deputy Chair: Councillor John Faulkner

Members:

- Councillor Andrea Davis
- Councillor Sara Gerard
- Councillor Megen McKay
- Councillor Nick Moody
- Councillor Genevieve Robinson

REGULATION HEARING COMMITTEE

Terms of Reference

(Version 3.0 Adopted by Council on 26 March 2025)

Membership	Seven members (7)
Quorum	Three Councillors
Chairing	One Chair, one Deputy Chair
Meeting Frequency	As required to fulfil the purpose and responsibilities of the Committee

1. Purpose and Area of Scope

- (a) To make decisions on statutory and regulatory matters that fall within the Committee's delegations. The Committee will ensure that all decisions are made within the framework of the Council's regulatory policies, plans, strategies, and bylaws.

2. Responsibilities

- (a) This Committee will undertake the following:
 - (i) appoint Consent Hearing Committees;
 - (ii) appoint Hearing Commissioners;
 - (iii) consider and decide resource consent applications in accordance with delegated powers;
 - (iv) consider and provide feedback on Council's proposed responses to consents lodged under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 and nominate members for an expert panel;
 - (v) consider monitoring information in respect of:
 - consenting of resource consents and other permits, including statutory timeframes and other measures;
 - compliance and enforcement activities, including those relating to permitted activities and resource consents;
 - (vi) review and consider amendments to operational implementation policies and guidelines relating to consenting and compliance monitoring and enforcement matters;
 - (vii) facilitate an Advisory Panel to the Chief Executive (the Panel) in accordance with the Panel's Terms of Reference attached at Appendix A;
 - (viii) exercise such other powers as delegated by Council.

3. Delegated Powers

Authority to Act

- (a) Appoint Consent Hearing Committees from time to time comprising a minimum of three and a maximum of four members, one of whom shall be appointed Chairperson by the Regulation Hearings Committee, with the full powers of the Council as a consent authority under the Resource Management Act 1991. A committee so appointed may include any person who is not a member of the Council.
- (b) Appoint Hearing Commissioners to hear and decide resource consent applications including the determination of any preliminary matter relating to an application, with full powers of the Council as a consent authority under the Resource Management Act 1991.
- (c) Hear and decide resource consent applications for which the Council is obliged to hold a hearing.
- (d) Decide resource consent applications to which submissions were received and where there are no requests to be heard or any requests to be heard have been withdrawn.
- (e) Decide resource consent applications for notified non-complying activities irrespective of whether the Council is obliged to hold a hearing.
- (f) Make decisions on any review (under s132 of the Resource Management Act 1991) of a resource consent decision.
- (g) Decide notified resource consent applications to which no submissions were received and where the applicant has not requested to be heard.
- (h) The power to nominate members of an expert panel under Schedule 3 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024.
- (i) Authorise or prohibit the use in a clean air zone of any class of fuel.
- (j) Hear appeals to Council's contaminated site registration process under the Council's Contaminated Site Information Strategy.

Powers to Recommend to Council

- (k) The amendment of operational policies and guidelines relating to consenting and compliance, monitoring, and enforcement.
- (l) The recommendation to undertake action on any other of this Committee's responsibility.

4. Reporting

- (a) The Committee shall be accountable to the Council, in relation to the Committee's activities and responsibilities.
- (b) The Committee shall review the Terms of Reference at least every three years, or as circumstances require, and recommend any changes to the Council for approval.

Version	Date Approved	Approved By	Brief Description
1	23 August 2018	Council	Increase Committee membership to 6
2	29 April 2021	Council	Increase Committee membership to a maximum of 7
3	26 March 2025	Council	Change meeting frequency from weekly to as required, change to purpose and scope, addition of responsibilities 2(a) (iv) to (vii), increase delegated powers to include 3(h), addition of Powers to Recommend to Council and Reporting. Change in quorum to three members.

ADVISORY PANEL TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Terms of Reference

Purpose	To support the Chief Executive if requested when they are exercising their delegated authority regarding certain litigation decisions.
Membership	A maximum of three (3) members of the Regulation Hearing Committee, comprised as follows: • Chair of the Committee; and • Two members of the Committee who have obtained certification under the “Making Good Decisions Programme” to be appointed to the Panel by the Chair of the Committee in discussion with the Chief Executive. Ex officio: Chair of the Canterbury Regional Council.
Meeting Frequency	As required to fulfil the purpose of the Panel.
Scope of Advice	To discuss with the Chief Executive how the Council will respond in relation to certain litigation matters, such as decisions whether to commence or defend actions before a Court in relation to proceedings that originate from outside of Council’s specific statutory authority, for example, judicial review proceedings under the Judicial Review Procedure Act 2016 and declaration proceedings under the Declaratory Judgments Act 1908.
Process for Triggering	By email from the Chief Executive to the Panel members for each litigating matter.
Conflicts of Interest	Panel members are reminded to be vigilant and to stand aside from litigation matters when a conflict arises between their role as a representative and any private or other external interest they might have. If unable to appoint members from the RHC due to conflicts, the Chair of the Committee can nominate members from the wider Council.

Regulation Hearing Committee

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1. Karakia/Mihi Whakatau - Opening

The meeting will be opened with a karakia, followed by a member of the Regulation Hearing Committee with a mihi whakatau.

2. Apologies

At the time the agenda closed there were no apologies received.

3. Conflicts of Interest

Members are reminded to be vigilant and to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a representative and any private or other external interest they might have.

4. Public Forum, Deputations, and Petitions

4.1. Public Forum

There were no requests for public forum at the time the agenda was prepared.

4.2. Deputations and Petitions

There were no requests for deputations or petitions at the time the agenda was prepared.

5. Extraordinary and Urgent Business

The Chairperson will give notice of items requiring urgent attention not on the agenda as follows.

Matters Requiring Urgent Attention as Determined by Resolution of the Regulation Hearing Committee:

A meeting may deal with an item of business that is not on the agenda where the meeting resolves to deal with that item and the Chairperson provides the following information during the public part of the meeting:

1. The reason why the item is not on the agenda; and
2. The reason why discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

Items not on the agenda may be brought before the meeting through a report from either the chief executive or the Chairperson.

The item may be allowed onto the agenda by resolution of the Regulation Hearing Committee.

Minor Matters relating to the General Business of the Regulation Hearing Committee:

A meeting may discuss an item that is not on the agenda only if it is a minor matter relating to the general business of the meeting and Chairperson explains at the beginning of the public part of the meeting that the item will be discussed. The meeting may not make a

resolution, decision or recommendation about the item, except to refer it to a subsequent meeting for further discussion.

6. Notices of Motion

At the time the agenda closed there were no notices of motion received.

7. Report Items for Decision

7.1. Appointment of Hearing Commissioners - Christchurch City Council

Regulation Hearing Committee Report

Date of meeting	Wednesday, 3 December 2025
Author	Alison Cooper, Consents Coordinator
Responsible Director	Brett Aldridge, Director Operations

Purpose

1. To appoint Hearing Commissioners to hear and decide resource consent applications CRC260822, CRC260823, CRC260824, CRC260888 and CRC260889, and CRC260890 applied for by the Christchurch City Council (the “Applications”).

Recommendations

That the Regulation Hearing Committee:

1. In regard to resource consent applications CRC260822, CRC260823, CRC260824, CRC260888 and CRC260889, and CRC260890 applied for by the Christchurch City Council (the “Applications”):
 - 1.1 appoints Paul Rogers as a Hearing Commissioner, Chairperson and member of the Hearing Panel under s34A of the Resource Management Act 1991; and
 - 1.2 appoints Julianne Chetham as a Hearing Commissioner and member of the Hearing Panel under s34A of the Resource Management Act 1991; and
 - 1.3 delegates to Paul Rogers and Julianne Chetham, pursuant to s34A(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991, the function, powers and duties required to deal with any preliminary matters and hear and decide the Applications; and
 - 1.4 in the event of an inequality of votes provides the Chairperson of the Hearing Panel, Paul Rogers, with a casting vote.

Background

2. Christchurch City Council has applied for resource consents for the demolition and reconstruction of the Main Wharf at Akaroa, and construction of a temporary barge berth pocket adjacent to the Akaroa Boat Ramp.
3. The suite of consent applications includes the demolition and reconstruction of the main Akaroa wharf, including diversion of coastal waters and emittance of noise in a coastal marine area, and the discharge of construction-phase stormwater and contaminants to land.

4. A consent duration of 35 years is sought for the long-term occupation of the Coastal Marine Area at the wharf and associated structures. A duration of five years is sought for the construction-phase stormwater discharge.

Notification

5. The s95 notification report provides a full description of the proposed activities, existing environment, consultation undertaken, legal and planning matters, and a recommendation to publicly notify the application because the applicant requested the application be publicly notified.
6. The decision was to publicly notify the applications as requested by the applicant.
7. The application has been jointly publicly notified with the Christchurch City Council. At the time of writing this report the submission period is still open and one submission in support has been received.
8. Hearing Commissioner(s) are required to be appointed to decide the application as the application was publicly notified. It is not yet known if a hearing is required. If so, it will be held jointly with the Christchurch City Council as the applications are for the same proposal.

Proposed Hearing Commissioner

9. The Council's Hearing Policy outlines the criteria for selection of Hearing Commissioners:
 - (a) Scale, complexity and nature of the hearing.
 - (b) Suitable experience.
 - (c) Ability to understand and evaluate the key issues associated with the application.
 - (d) Availability of hearing and decision-making.
 - (e) No conflicts of interest.
 - (f) Ministry for the Environment (MfE) Making Good Decision certification.
 - (g) Chair endorsement for a proposed Chairman.
10. It is recommended that a panel of two hearing commissioners be appointed to hear and decide the Applications, and to bring appropriate experience in hearings with the ability to understand the key issues and concerns of coastal processes.
11. For the hearing we are seeking a chairperson who is experienced in managing and chairing a robust and transparent hearing process and ensuring all parties to the process feel comfortable when making their submission to the hearing panel.
12. A list of potential candidates was prepared and screened against the selection criteria outlined in paragraphs 9, 10 and 11. The Ministry for the Environment website was checked to confirm 'Making Good Decisions' certification. On this basis, the following commissioners are recommended. The recommended hearing commissioners will also be appointed by the Christchurch City Council.

Chairperson and panel member

13. Paul Rogers is a very experienced accredited hearing commissioner with Chair endorsement. He is a specialist resource management legal practitioner and is currently practicing as an independent hearing commissioner.
14. Mr Rogers has chaired independent hearing panels including the following for Environment Canterbury:
 - a. 104 Upper Waitaki group water consent applications;
 - b. Oceania Dairy Limited for the discharge of wastewater from a milk processing facility;
 - c. Fonterra Limited for various consents for the milk processing facilities at both Darfield and Studholme;
 - d. Silver Fern Farms discharge of factory wastewater at Pareora; and
 - e. Taggart Earthmoving Limited application for the establishment and operation of a gravel quarry at Rangiora.
15. He has also sat on plan and plan review and resource consent application hearings around New Zealand.

Panel member

16. Juliane Chetham is an accredited and experienced hearing commissioner with over two decades of experience specialising in coastal and environmental management with particular expertise in planning, environmental science, coastal and marine ecology and management; geography, cultural impact assessment, tikanga Māori and Mātauranga Māori. She is a director of Chetham Consulting Limited.
17. She is a past Māori advisor to the Whangarei District Council, and a Tai Tokerau Māori Advisory Committee representative for the Northland Regional Council.
18. Ms Chetham has sat on Auckland Council hearings for plan changes and resource consent activities including sand mining, stadium development and a mooring extension. She is currently appointed by Environment Canterbury as a panel member to the Christchurch City Council – Southshore erosion and inundation protection project resource consent applications hearing.

Conflicts and Availability

19. Mr Rogers and Ms Chetham have identified they have no conflicts of interest with the parties and are available to hear and decide this application.
20. Paul Rogers and Juliane Chetham have satisfied staff they fit the necessary criteria including hearing experience, MfE accreditation, availability, no conflicts of interest and timeframe commitments to carry out the required duties.

Cost, Compliance, and Communication

Financial implications

- 21. Processing of resource consent applications are at cost to the applicant.
- 22. The Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) provides for financial penalties to apply should the application not be processed within the required timeframe.

Risk assessment and legal compliance

- 23. Section 100 of the RMA provides an obligation to hold a hearing when a person who has made a submission in relation to an application or the applicant has requested to be heard.
- 24. Section 34A of the RMA allows the Council to delegate functions to Hearing Commissioners appointed by the Canterbury Regional Council.
- 25. The Regulation Hearing Committee appoints Hearing Commissioners in relation to consent authority matters under the RMA.

Engagement, significance, and Māori participation

- 26. The decision set out in this report is of low significance as assessed against the criteria in the Engagement, Significance and Māori Participation Policy as it concerns the delegation of the Council's authority to an appointed Hearing Commissioner to decide and hear a resource consent application.
- 27. Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and relevant Papatipu Rūnanga are identified and engaged with during the processing of the resource consent application.

Consistency with Council policy

- 28. The appointment of Hearing Commissioners is consistent with the Council's Hearings Policy where the Regulation Hearing Committee appoints Hearing Commissioners in relation to consent authority matters under the Resource Management Act 1991.

Climate change impacts

- 29. Not applicable to the decision sought in this report.

Communication

- 30. Not applicable to the decision sought in this report.

Next Steps

- 31. The Hearing Commissioners will be advised of their appointments, and a hearing held.

Attachments

Nil

Legal review	Robyn Fitchett, General Counsel
Peer reviewers	Henry Winchester, Consents Planning Manager

7.2. Appointment of Hearing Commissioner - Christchurch City Council

Regulation Hearing Committee Report

Date of meeting	Wednesday, 3 December 2025
Author	Alison Cooper, Consents Coordinator
Responsible Director	Brett Aldridge, Director Operations

Purpose

1. To revoke the appointment of a Hearing Commissioner and to appoint an existing panel member as Chairperson to hear and decide resource consent applications CRC235038, CRC235039, CRC235040 and CRC235041 applied for by the Christchurch City Council (the “Applications”).

Recommendations

That the Regulation Hearing Committee:

1. In regard to resource consent applications CRC235038, CRC235039, CRC235040 and CRC235041 applied for by the Christchurch City Council (the “Applications”), revokes the appointment of David Caldwell as Hearing Commissioner, Chairperson, and panel member in relation to the Applications (as per resolution RHC/2024/31 from the 9 October 2024 Regulation Hearing Committee meeting).
2. In regard to resource consent applications CRC235038, CRC235039, CRC235040 and CRC235041 applied for by the Christchurch City Council (the “Applications”):
 - 1.1 appoints Dean Chrystal as Chairperson, Hearing Commissioner and member of the Hearing Panel under s34A of the Resource Management Act 1991; and
 - 1.2 in the event of an inequality of votes, provides the Chairperson of the Hearing Panel, Dean Chrystal, with a casting vote.

Background

2. The Christchurch City Council (the “Applicant”) has applied to the Canterbury Regional Council and itself (as a consent authority) to establish and operate a wastewater treatment scheme and associated discharges to land and air as part of the Akaroa Treated Wastewater Irrigation Scheme at 80 Old Coach Road, Akaroa; 11 Sawmill Road, Duvauchelle; 6583 Christchurch Akaroa Road, Akaroa; and Jubilee Park, Akaroa.
3. Mr David Caldwell, Mr Dean Chrystal, and Mr Nathan Capper were appointed by the Regulation Hearing Committee on 9 October 2024 to hear and decide the resource consent applications made to the Canterbury Regional Council.

4. The Christchurch City Council also appointed the same hearing commissioners as applications were received by both consenting authorities.
5. The hearing commenced in November 2024, and after hearing submitters, was adjourned for the Applicant to lodge applications for the Duvauchelle wastewater scheme and for treated wastewater discharges from the Akaroa scheme.
6. Mr Caldwell now advises he has been appointed as an Environment Court Judge and has therefore resigned from his appointment to hear the Christchurch City Council Applications.
7. Mr Caldwell's appointment is required to be formally revoked by resolution.
8. As the hearing has commenced, a new hearing commissioner cannot be appointed to replace Mr Caldwell because any new hearing commissioner would not have heard the evidence already provided. The alternatives are that the hearing panel continue to hear and decide the Applications; or the hearing panel determine they are unable to continue which would require a new panel to be appointed and the hearing be reheard.
9. Mr Chrystal and Mr Capper have agreed to continue as the Hearing Panel as a hearing panel of two members. It is recommended that, as Mr Chrystal has chair endorsement and experience in chairing hearing panels, he be appointed as Chairperson in addition to his current delegation as a Hearing Commissioner and a member of the Hearing Panel, and with the function and powers to deal with any preliminary matters and hear and decide the Applications.

Availability

10. Mr Chrystal and Mr Capper have advised they are available to continue to hear and decide these Applications.

Cost, Compliance, and Communication

Financial implications

11. Processing of resource consent applications are at cost to the applicant.
12. The Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) provides for financial penalties to apply should the application not be processed within the required timeframe.

Risk assessment and legal compliance

13. Section 100 of the RMA provides an obligation to hold a hearing when a person who has made a submission in relation to an application or the applicant has requested to be heard.
14. Section 34A of the RMA allows the Council to delegate functions to Hearing Commissioners appointed by the Canterbury Regional Council.
15. The Regulation Hearing Committee appoints Hearing Commissioners in relation to consent authority matters under the RMA.

Engagement, significance, and Māori participation

16. The decision set out in this report is of low significance as assessed against the criteria in the Engagement, Significance and Māori Participation Policy as it concerns the delegation of the Council's authority to an appointed Hearing Commissioner to decide and hear a resource consent application.
17. Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and relevant Papatipu Rūnanga are identified and engaged with during the processing of the resource consent application.

Consistency with Council policy

18. The appointment of a Hearing Commissioner is consistent with the Council's Hearings Policy, where the Regulation Hearing Committee appoints Hearing Commissioners in relation to consent authority matters under the RMA.

Climate change impacts

19. Not applicable to the decision sought in this report.

Communication

20. Not applicable to the decision sought in this report.

Next Steps

21. The Hearing Commissioner will be advised of their appointment, and a hearing held.

Attachments

Nil

Legal review	Robyn Fitchett, General Counsel
Peer reviewers	Henry Winchester, Consents Planning Manager

7.3. Appointment of Hearing Commissioners - NALG (NZ) Limited

Regulation Hearing Committee Report

Date of meeting	Wednesday, 3 December 2025
Author	Alison Cooper, Consents Coordinator
Responsible Director	Brett Aldridge, Director OperationsOperations

Purpose

1. To appoint Hearing Commissioners to hear and decide resource consent applications CRC253560, CRC253561, CRC253562 and CRC260733 applied for by NALG (NZ) Limited (the “Applications”).

Recommendations

That the Regulation Hearing Committee:

1. **In regard to resource consent applications CRC253560, CRC253561, CRC253562 and CRC260733 applied for by NALG (NZ) Limited applied (the “Applications”):**
 - 1.1 **appoints Rob Enright as a Hearing Commissioner, Chairperson and member of the Hearing Panel under s34A of the Resource Management Act 1991; and**
 - 1.2 **appoints Andrew Henderson as a Hearing Commissioner and member of the Hearing Panel under s34A of the Resource Management Act 1991; and**
 - 1.3 **appoints John Iseli as a Hearing Commissioner and member of the Hearing Panel under s34A of the Resource Management Act 1991; and**
 - 1.4 **delegates to Rob Enright, Andrew Henderson and John Iseli, pursuant to s34A(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991, the function, powers and duties required to: deal with any preliminary matters; and hear and decide the Applications.**

Background

2. NALG (NZ) Limited has applied for resource consents for the use of land and discharges to land and air from the construction, operation and maintenance of a facility that will take organic waste material and process it via a Dry Anaerobic Digestion to produce methane for electric power and heat, CO₂ production, liquid digestate/nitrogen and matured compost, at part of 233 Old West Coast Road, Yaldhurst.
3. The suite of consents includes the use of land for deposition of fill, and to discharge stormwater to land and contaminants to air.

4. A 35-year duration is sought for the land use, operational discharge of stormwater and contaminants to air. No specific duration is proposed for the discharge of the construction-phase stormwater.

Notification

5. The s95 notification report provides a full description of the proposed activities, existing environment, consultation undertaken, legal and planning matters, and a recommendation to publicly notify the application because it was considered that the effects being found to be more than minor and that there were significant uncertainties in the proposal.
6. The decision was to publicly notify the application the proposal because the adverse effects on the environment potentially being more than minor due to uncertainty in what is being proposed.
7. The application was jointly publicly notified with the Christchurch City Council.
8. There were 139 submissions received to the joint notification. A total of 45 submitters wish to speak to their submission. The majority of submitters are in opposition to the proposal because of concerns about groundwater contamination, odour, air discharge, increased traffic, noise, and impact on amenity values.
9. A hearing is required to be held as there are submitters to be heard. The hearing will be held jointly with the Christchurch City Council as the applications are for the same proposal.
10. Some submitters have requested under section 100A of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) that the function, powers and duties to hear and decide the applications be delegated to one or more hearing commissioners who are not members of the authority.

Proposed Hearing Commissioner

11. The Council's Hearing Policy outlines the criteria for selection of Hearing Commissioners:
 - (a) Scale, complexity and nature of the hearing
 - (b) Suitable experience
 - (c) Ability to understand and evaluate the key issues associated with the application
 - (d) Availability of hearing and decision-making
 - (e) No conflicts of interest
 - (f) Ministry for the Environment (MfE) Making Good Decisions certification
 - (g) Chair endorsement for a proposed Chairman.
12. A hearing is required to be held before independent hearing commissioners and is estimated to take at least five days due to the number of submitters to be heard.
13. It is recommended that a panel of three hearing commissioners be appointed to hear and decide the application because of the number of submitters to be heard; and to bring appropriate expertise and experience in hearings, and technical ability to

understand the key issues and concerns about the impact of traffic and amenity values; odour and contaminants into the air and groundwater.

14. For the hearing we are seeking a chairperson who is experienced in managing a hearing, chairing a robust and transparent hearing process and ensuring that all parties to the process feel comfortable when making their submission to the hearing panel.
15. A list of potential candidates was prepared and screened against the selection criteria outlined in paragraphs 11, 13 and 14. The Ministry for the Environment website was checked to confirm 'Making Good Decisions' certification. On this basis the following commissioners are recommended. The recommended panel will also be appointed by the Christchurch City Council.

Chairperson and panel member

16. Rob Enright is a very experienced hearing commissioner with Chair endorsement, capable of serving as either a sole commissioner, panel member or in a chair role. He is a barrister with over 25 years specialist experience in resource management, environmental and public law.
17. He also has extensive experience in drafting consent decisions and has undertaken the hearing of both district and regional consent applications over a variety of activities.
18. Mr Enright has held hearing commissioner appointments for Canterbury Regional Council, including the objection to a decision raised by South Island Resource Recovery Ltd, and has sat as panel chair for the P & J Everest water take application and Woodstock Quarries Limited and Protranz International Limited landfill applications.

Panel members

19. Andrew Henderson is an accredited and experienced hearing commissioner also with Chair endorsement. He has over 30 years experience as a planner in both local government and private consultancies throughout this time. He has worked on various projects including renewable energy, water projects, and linear infrastructure, and has a depth of experience in land use consenting and policy development.
20. He has an active interest in Māori values and is an independent director on the board of Aoraki Environmental Consultancy Limited. He is also a board member for the New Zealand Planning Institute.
21. His hearing experience consists of both sole capacity and as a panel member. Mr Henderson has heard objections to decisions and notified applications on a variety of resource management activities for Canterbury Regional Council, including Wangan Hills Limited – land use associated with a dairy conversion; Yoursection FV Limited – discharge of stormwater; Port Blakely Limited and Mount Whitnow Station Limited – applications to use land for afforestation purposes; Road Metals Limited – land use to establish an aggregate quarry; and Fereday Island Limited – an application to take, use and discharge water for electricity generation purposes.
22. He has also sat on land use and subdivision consent hearings for the Central Otago and Queenstown Lakes District Councils and the Christchurch City Council.

23. John Iseli is also an accredited and experienced hearing commissioner with Chair endorsement. He has sat as either the chair, as a sole commissioner or as a panel member. He has extensive experience in resource consent and plan hearings and providing decisions on both regional and district applications over a range of activities. He is a director of Specialist Environmental Services with expertise in air quality matters, as well as experience in water quality and other activities.
24. He has held appointments for Canterbury Regional Council including as a panel member for the Ecogas Limited discharge to air application and Fonterra NZ Limited applications to expand the milk processing facility at Studholme; as a sole commissioner for Point Lumber Limited discharge to air application and Lyttelton Port Company application to discharge to air from the coal yard application; and as panel chair to the Burnham 2020 Limited applications to establish a new aggregate quarry.

Conflicts and Availability

25. All have identified they have no conflicts of interest with the parties and are available to hear and decide this application.
26. Rob Enright, Andrew Henderson and John Iseli have satisfied staff they have the necessary criteria including hearing experience, MfE accreditation, availability, no conflicts of interest and timeframe commitments to carry out the required duties.

Cost, Compliance, and Communication

Financial implications

27. Processing of resource consent applications are at cost to the applicant.
28. The RMA provides for financial penalties to apply should the application not be processed within the required timeframe.

Risk assessment and legal compliance

29. Section 100 of the RMA provides an obligation to hold a hearing when a person who has made a submission in relation to an application or the applicant has requested to be heard.
30. Section 34A of the RMA allows the Council to delegate functions to hearing commissioners appointed by the Canterbury Regional Council.
31. The Regulation Hearing Committee appoints hearing commissioners in relation to consent authority matters under the RMA.

Engagement, significance, and Māori participation

32. The decision set out in this report is of low significance as assessed against the criteria in the Engagement, Significance and Māori Participation Policy as it concerns the delegation of the Council's authority to an appointed Hearing Commissioner to decide and hear a resource consent application.
33. Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and relevant Papatipu Rūnanga are identified and engaged with during the processing of the resource consent application.

Consistency with Council policy

34. The appointment of a Hearing Commissioner is consistent with the Council's Hearings Policy where the Regulation Hearing Committee appoints Hearing Commissioners in relation to consent authority matters under the Resource Management Act 1991.

Climate change impacts

35. Not applicable to the decision sought in this report.

Communication

36. Not applicable to the decision sought in this report.

Next Steps

37. The Hearing Commissioners will be advised of their appointment, and a hearing held.

Attachments

Nil

Legal review	Robyn Fitchett, General Counsel
Peer reviewers	Henry Winchester, Consents Planning Manager

8. Report Items for Information

8.1. Consenting and Compliance Activity Report

Regulation Hearing Committee Report

Date of meeting	Wednesday, 3 December 2025
Author	Paul Hulse, General Manager Regulatory Implementation
Responsible Director	Brett Aldridge, Director Operations

Purpose

1. To provide a dashboard of regulatory consenting and compliance activity (Attachment 9.2.1) for the year-to-date to give assurance to the Committee that core service functions are being delivered as set out in the Council's Long-Term Plan 2024-34/ Te Mahere Pae Tawhiti 2024-34, and Annual Plan 2025/26/Mahere ā-Tau 2025/26.

Recommendations

That the Regulation Hearing Committee:

1. **Receives the consenting and compliance activity dashboard for the period 1 July to 20 August 2025.**

Background

2. The Regulation Hearing Committee Terms of Reference states that the Committee will consider monitoring information in respect of:
 - 2.1. Consenting of resource consents and other permits, including statutory timeframes and other measures
 - 2.2. Compliance and enforcement activities, including those relating to permitted activities and resource consents.
3. On 18 June 2025 a draft dashboard of consenting and compliance data and information was presented to a Councillor briefing.
4. It was agreed that a dashboard be brought to a Regulation Hearing Committee meeting every two months, or when practicable.

Overview of regulatory activity

5. Attachment 9.2.1 provides a dashboard report that covers Environment Canterbury's activity for consent processing and compliance monitoring/incident response services. These services are part of the Environmental Regulation and Protection Core Service. Where service measures are mentioned, full details of what the measure means is found in the Council's Long-Term Plan 2024-34/ Te Mahere Pae Tawhiti 2024-34 (<https://www.ecan.govt.nz/document/download?uri=5175516>). [Long-Term Plan 2024-34](#).

6. The dashboard includes activity for the current financial year, with activity for the previous financial year provided for comparison. The information and data included in the dashboard for the current year may be updated as internal review processes are undertaken.
7. Introductory notes are included to assist with interpreting the information.
8. The report is largely automated.

Cost, Compliance, and Communication

Financial implications

9. The dashboard has been created using existing budgets and there are no further financial implications.

Risk assessment and legal compliance

10. The introductory pages include a note that Environment Canterbury does not guarantee that the information and data provided is fit for a particular purpose, and is not responsible for any losses, damages, or costs resulting from the use of the information and data provided.

Engagement, significance, and Māori participation

11. No engagement has taken place in the production of this report. The activities reported include engagement as appropriate.

Consistency with Council policy

12. The report is consistent with the Long-Term Plan 2024-34/Te Mahere Pae Tawhiti 2024-34 and Annual Plan 2025/26/Mahere ā-Tau 2025/26.

Next Steps

13. A further update will be provided to the Regulation Hearing Committee in two to three months.

Attachments

1. Report to RHC 3 December 2025 [8.1.1 - 10 pages]

Legal Review	Not submitted for legal review.
Peer reviewers	Adrienne Lomax, Principal Strategy Advisor

Consents and compliance dashboard

Report for the period 1 July to 20 November 2025

This dashboard provides an overview of Environment Canterbury's activity for consent processing and compliance monitoring/incident response services. These services are part of the Environmental Regulation and Protection Core Service. Where service measures are mentioned, full details of what the measure means can be found in the [Long-Term Plan 2024-34](#).

The information and data included in the dashboard may be updated as internal review processes are undertaken.

Consent processing

Page

1 This information relates to the current financial year 2025/26.

Across the top of the page there is information relating to service measure 3: *Ratio of the number of resource consent applications in process at the start of the financial year (the first number shown) compared to the number in process at the end of the reporting period (the second number)*. The ratio is expressed as a whole number, and the target for 2025/26 is for the number to be equal to or greater than 1.

There is also a pie chart that shows a snapshot in time of our timeframe compliance. It shows in light green/dark green the number of consents in process with a positive number of statutory days remaining. It also shows the number of consents in process that have exceeded the statutory days allowed and how many are in each category (-10 to -1 days, -11 to -20 days etc). The sections are arranged clockwise, ordered by the number of consents in the category.

The bar graph on the left shows the number of in-process applications by month and the trend. The colour coding gives a breakdown of the number of applications at different stages of the process. The bar graph on the right shows a breakdown of the in-process applications by age category, i.e. the amount of time elapsed since the application was lodged.

2 This information relates to the previous financial year 2024/25 and mirrors the information on page 1.

3 This information relates to the current financial year 2025/26.

The three bar graphs show total number of applications received, total number of decisions issued and total number and breakdown of the number of applications withdrawn, returned, not required or annulled.

On the right side of the page is the average percentage of resource consent applications processed in accordance with statutory timeframes for the year to date. This is service measure 2. For 2025/26, the target for service measure 2 is 95% or more. There is a table showing the breakdown by month and a graph showing the average number of actual days (working days, excluding holidays)

used for processing an application through to completion (fulfilment) over the current financial year. When older applications are fulfilled, there will be an increase in the average number days.

- 4 This information relates to part of the previous Financial Year, 2024/25. The content mirrors the information on page 3.

Incident response and compliance monitoring

Page

- 5 This information relates to the current financial year 2025/26.

The pie chart on the left of the page provides information on the number and type of reports of environmental harm incidents we have received, and the table above shows what we have found as we responded to these incidents. If an instance of significant non-compliance (SNC) is found for a consented activity, it is also included in the number of SNC compliance inspections (the table on the right).

The pie chart on the right of the page provides information on the number and type of consents we have proactively monitored. The table above shows what we have found as we inspected these consents. Some consents, particularly those found to be non-compliant, have received more than one inspection.

- 6 This information relates to the current financial year 2025/26 and expands on the information on page 5.

On the left, tables show the year-to-date results for incident response service measures 7 and 8.

On the right, at the top is a bar graph showing the total number and a breakdown of the types of all instances of significant non-compliance. The graph includes permitted activities.

All instances of significant non-compliance have at least one action plan (service measure 6) and the pie chart shows a breakdown of their status.

- 7 This information relates to the previous Financial Year, 2024/25 and mirrors the information on page 5.
- 8 This information relates to the previous Financial Year, 2024/25 and mirrors the information on page 6.



In Process Applications Current FY (YTD)

MEASURE DATE

Thursday, November 20, 2025

Applications In Process
at start of FY

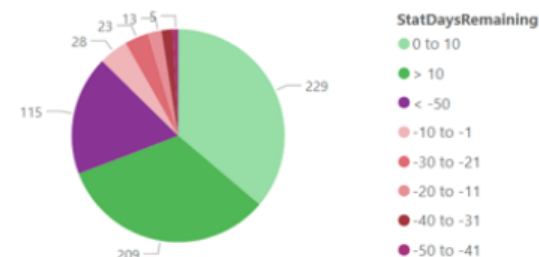
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Applications Currently In
Process

633

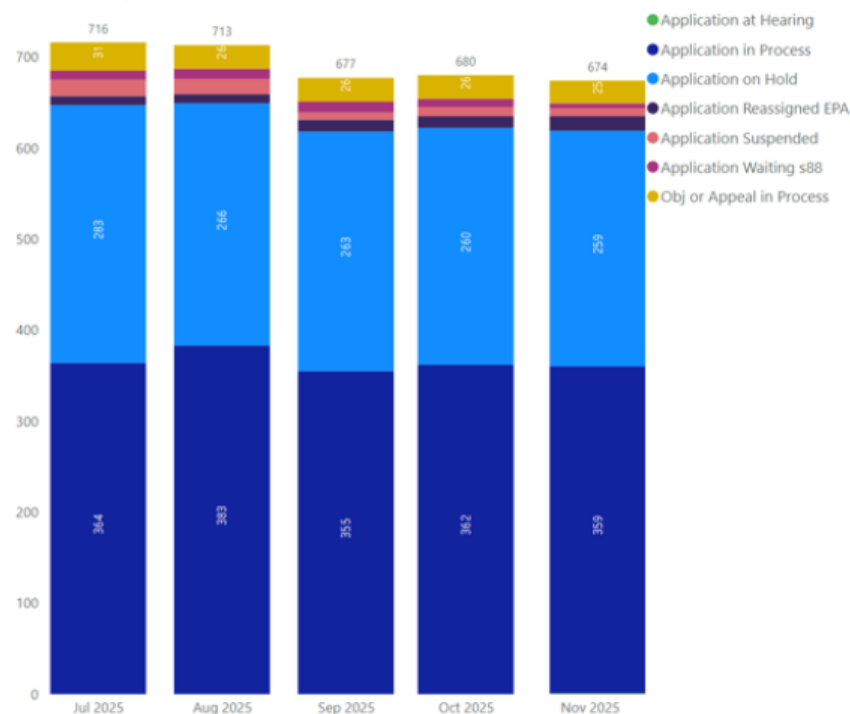
Ratio between start of FY
and currently In Process

1.13

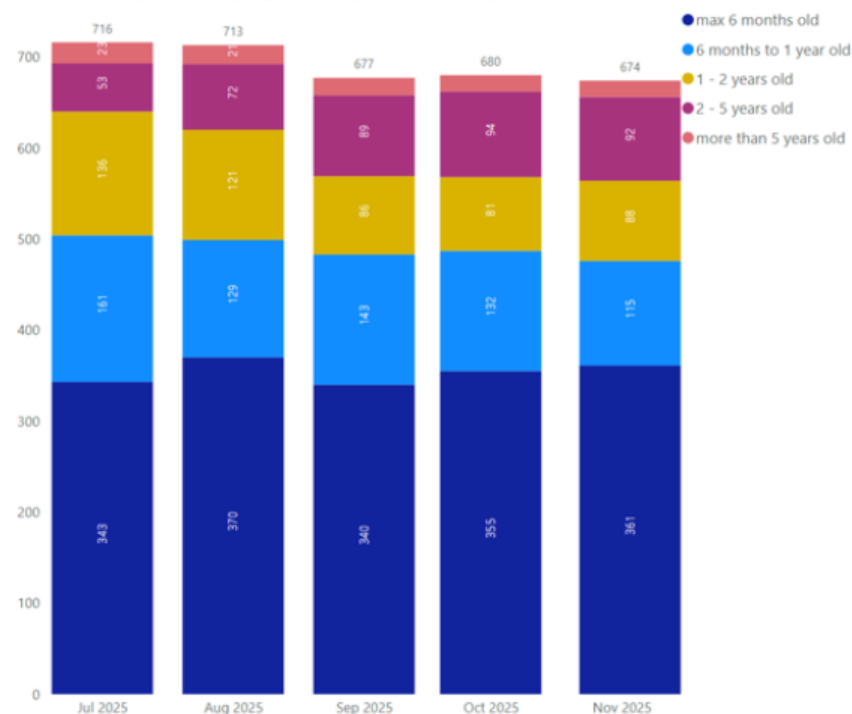


TRENDS

In Process Applications by Status on 1st workday of the month



In Process Applications by AgeCategory on 1st workday of the month





In Process Applications (Previous FY)

MEASURE DATE

Monday, June 30, 2025

Applications In Process
at start of Previous FY

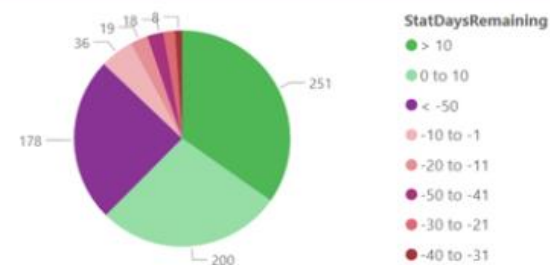
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Applications In Process
at end of Previous FY

722

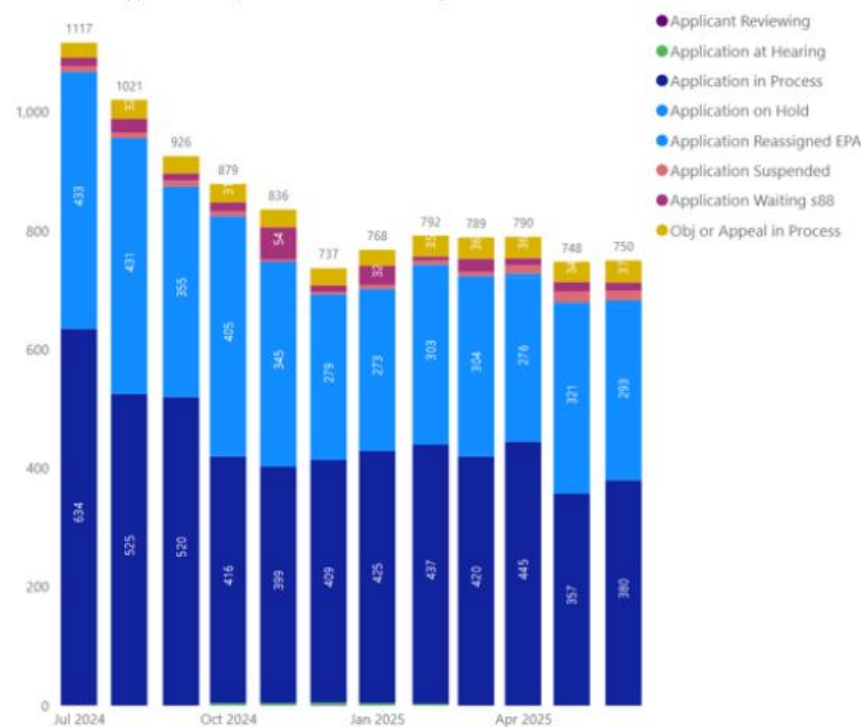
Ratio between start and
end of Previous FY

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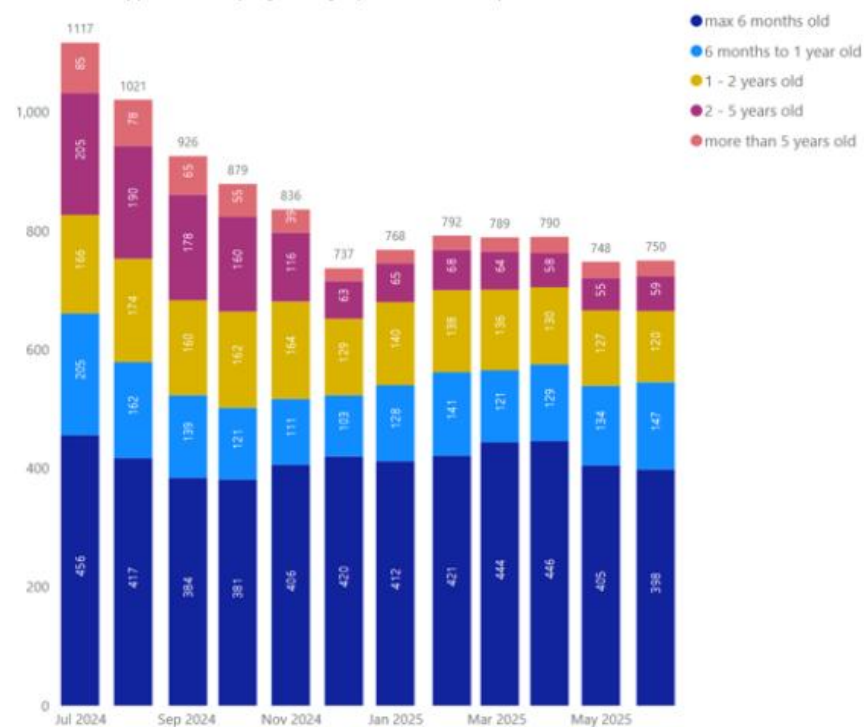


TRENDS

In Process Applications by Status on 1st workday of the month



In Process Applications by AgeCategory on 1st workday of the month





Timeframe Compliance Current FY (YTD)

Applications Received

618

Decisions Issued

647

Withdrawn, Returned,
Not Required, Annulled

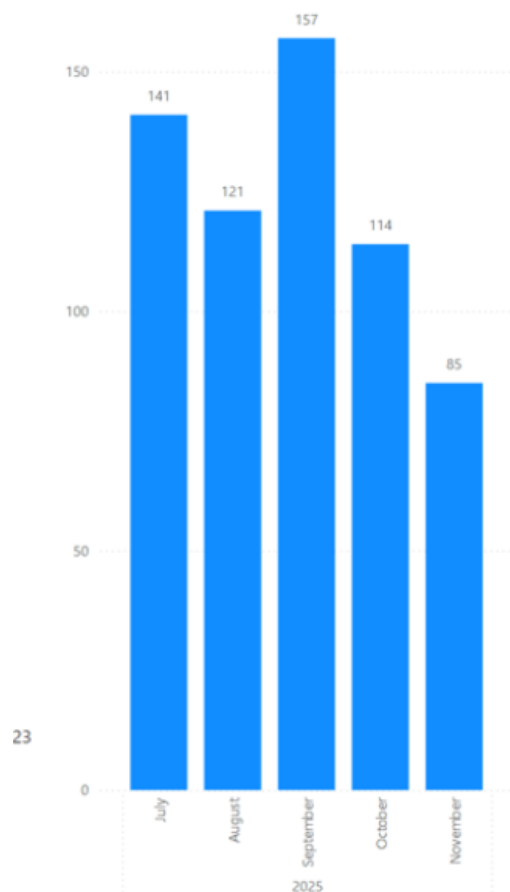
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Status
● Application Not Required
● Application Returned
● Application Withdrawn
● Terminated - Annulled

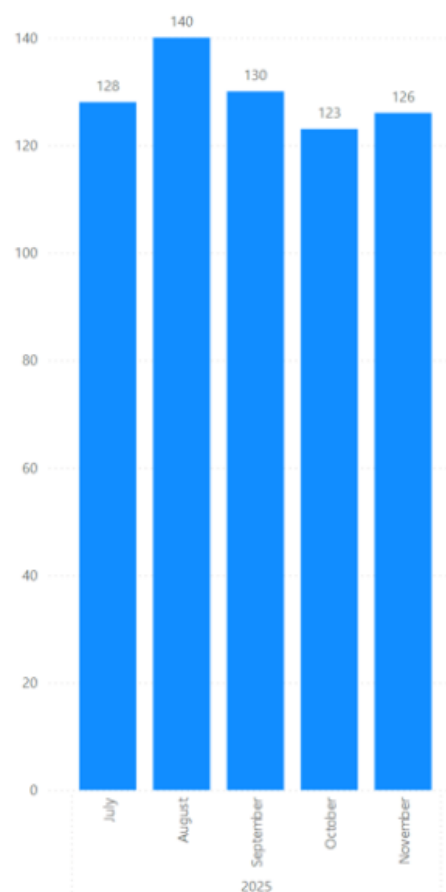
Timeframe Compliance %:
Decisions Issued within Statutory Days Allowed, as
a percentage of all Decisions Issued*

*Changes made to Timeframe data more than 30 days
after Decision Issued can not be captured in this report

Received



Decisions Issued



Withdrawn, Returned, Not Required



Timeframe Compliance %
average for selected period

79.6

Timeframe Compliance %

Year	Month	Timeframe Compliance
2025	July	79.7
2025	August	82.0
2025	September	86.9
2025	October	71.5
2025	November	77.0

Average of ActualDaysUsed for Fulfilled
by Fulfilment Date





Timeframe Compliance Previous FY

Applications Received

1606

Decisions Issued

1629

Withdrawn, Returned,
Not Required, Annulled

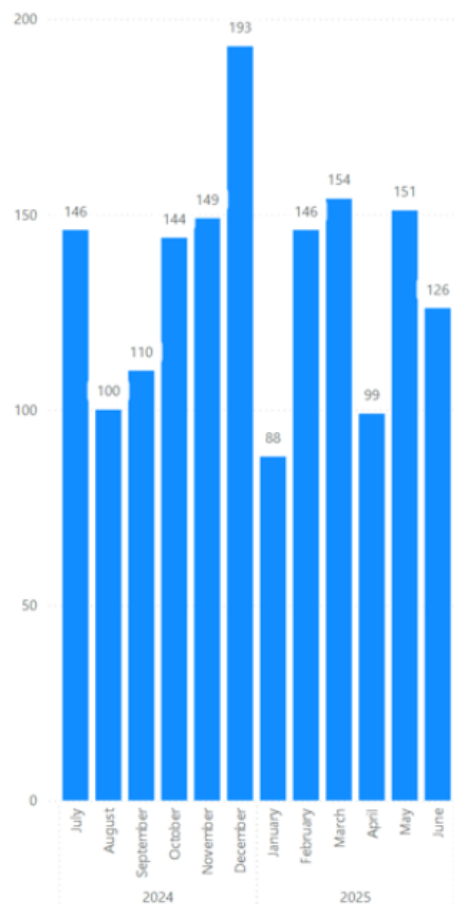
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Status
● Application Not Required
● Application Returned
● Application Withdrawn
● Terminated - Annulled

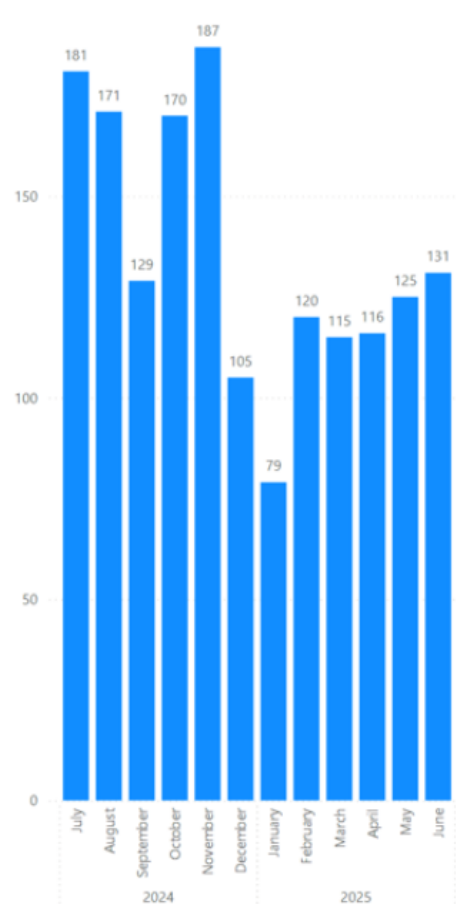
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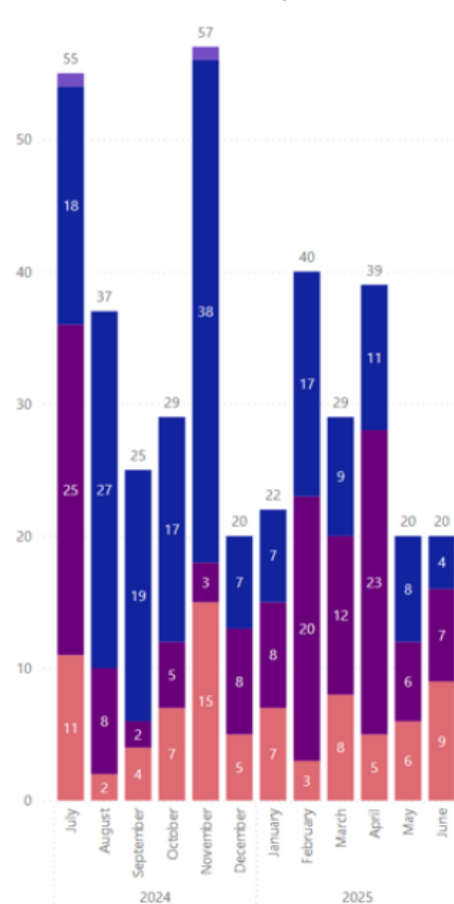
Received



Decisions Issued



Withdrawn, Returned, Not Required



Timeframe Compliance %
average for selected period

62.1

Timeframe Compliance %

Year	Month	Timeframe Compliance
2024	July	55.2
2024	August	50.9
2024	September	39.5
2024	October	45.3
2024	November	47.1
2024	December	68.6
2025	January	83.5
2025	February	70.0
2025	March	87.8
2025	April	74.1
2025	May	80.8
2025	June	74.8

Average of ActualDaysUsed for Fulfilled
by Fulfilment Date





Compliance Delivery Current FY YTD

Quarter

Select all

Q1

Q2

Clear all slicers

Filter set to select all, to remove a quarter click on it.

INCIDENT RESPONSE

Incidents Reported - Closed

Status	Count	%
Full Compliance	170	24.96%
Low-risk Non-Compliance	476	69.90%
Moderate Non-Compliance	33	4.85%
Significant Non-Compliance	2	0.29%
Total	681	100.00%

Closed Incidents

681

In process Incidents

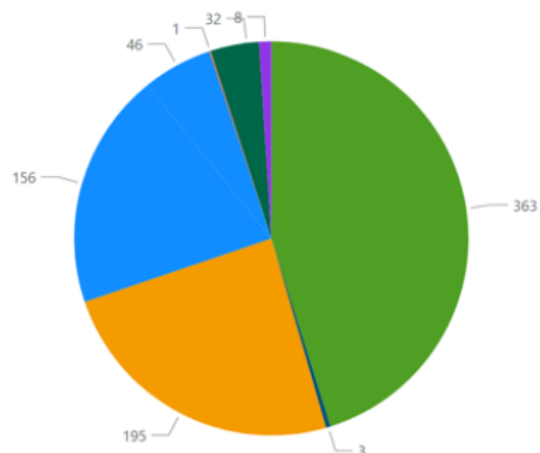
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Note: Not all incidents result in a inspection

Incident by Pollutant

Pollutant

- Discharge to air (s15)
- Discharge to coastal marine area (s15)
- Discharge to land (s15)
- Discharge to water (s15)
- Use of beds of lakes and rivers (s13)
- Use of coastal marine area (s12)
- Use of land (s9)
- Use of water (s14)



All Incidents

804

COMPLIANCE

Compliance Inspections

Status	Count	%
Full Compliance	608	71.61%
Low-risk Non-Compliance	56	6.60%
Moderate Non-Compliance	168	19.79%
Significant Non-Compliance	17	2.00%
Total	849	100.00%

Note: The table on the left is based on graded inspections. Each inspection ID is counted once.

All Inspections

1074

Graded Inspections

849

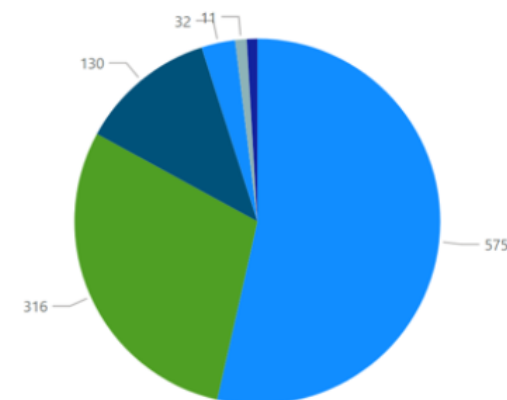
In process Inspections

225

Inspections per consent Type

Consent Type

- Water Permit (s14)
- Discharge Permit (s15)
- Land Use Consent (s9)
- Land Use Consent (s13)
- Coastal Permit (s12)
- Coastal Permit (s15)



Consents

With open and/or graded inspections

986

Note: Unable to determine compliance inspections have been excluded.



Compliance Delivery Previous FY

Quarter

Select all Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4

Clear all slicers

Filter set to select all, to remove a quarter click on it.

INCIDENT RESPONSE

Incidents Reported - Closed

Status	Count	%
Full Compliance	640	20.41%
Low-risk Non-Compliance	2276	72.60%
Moderate Non-Compliance	209	6.67%
Significant Non-Compliance	10	0.32%
Total	3135	100.00%

Closed Incidents

3135

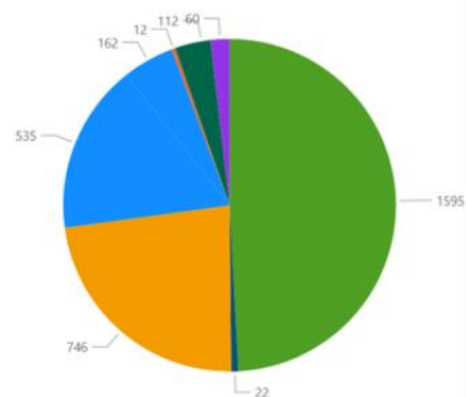
In process Incidents

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Incident by Pollutant

Pollutant

- Discharge to air (s15)
- Discharge to coastal marine area (s15)
- Discharge to land (s15)
- Discharge to water (s15)
- Use of beds of lakes and rivers (s13)
- Use of coastal marine area (s12)
- Use of land (s9)
- Use of water (s14)



All Incidents

3244

COMPLIANCE

Compliance Inspections

Status	Count	%
Full Compliance	2448	74.86%
Low-risk Non-Compliance	228	6.97%
Moderate Non-Compliance	509	15.57%
Significant Non-Compliance	85	2.60%
Total	3270	100.00%

Note: The table on the left is based on graded inspections. Each inspection ID is counted once.

All Inspections

3558

Graded Inspections

3270

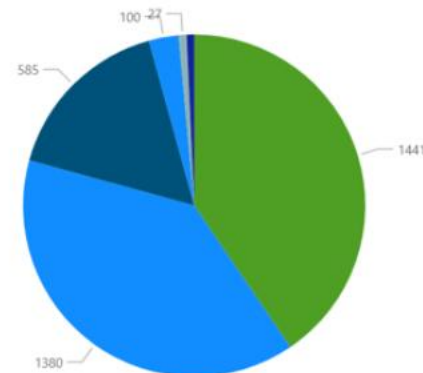
In process Inspections

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Monitoring per Consent Type

Consent Type

- Discharge Permit (s15)
- Water Permit (s14)
- Land Use Consent (s9)
- Land Use Consent (s13)
- Coastal Permit (s12)
- Coastal Permit (s15)



Consents

With open and/or graded inspections

2870

Note: Unable to determine compliance inspections have been



Compliance Measures Current FY YTD

Select all

Q1

Q2

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Filter set to select all, to remove a quarter click on it.

INCIDENT RESPONSE

Service Measure 7: Percentage of reports of elevated environmental harm incidents assessed and assigned within two hours - **Target:** 75% or more.

Assigned Within	#	%
less than 2 hours	107	74.31%
more than two hours	37	25.69%
Total	144	100.00%

Calculated using the total that happens just during working hours and by everything that was assigned within 2 hours

Service Measure 8: Percentage of reports of all environmental harm incidents assessed and assigned within 24 hours - **Target:** 90% or more

Assigned within	#	%
less than one day	766	95.27%
Over one day	38	4.73%
Total	804	100.00%

90% of all incidents, that are to be assigned to IRO/RMOs, are done so within one day • Under Achieving – below 90% • Achieving 90 – 96.4% • Exceeding above 96.5%

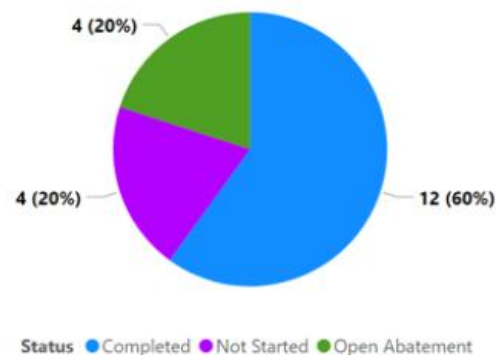
COMPLIANCE

Significantly Non-Compliant Consent Types



As part of the Compliance Improvement Project, how we track and report our work is being reviewed. The number of consents found to be significantly non-compliant was under-reported in quarter one and has been amended in this report. In Q1, the number provided did not include those consents graded significantly non-compliant initially, but then graded differently, ie with an improved compliance status, on a subsequent inspection.

Action Plan by Status



Service Measure 6: Percentage of instances of significant non-compliance where we take action. **Target:** 100%

% of significant non-compliance cases with an action plan

100%



Compliance Measures Previous FY

Quarter

Select all

Q1

Q2

Q3

Q4

Clear all slicers

Filter set to select all, to remove a quarter click on it.

INCIDENT RESPONSE

Service Measure 7: Percentage of reports of **elevated environmental harm** incidents assessed and assigned within two hours - Target: 75% or more.

Assigned within	#	%
less than 2 hours	418	82.94%
more than two hours	86	17.06%
Total	504	100.00%

Calculated using the total that happens just during working hours and by everything that was assigned within 2 hours

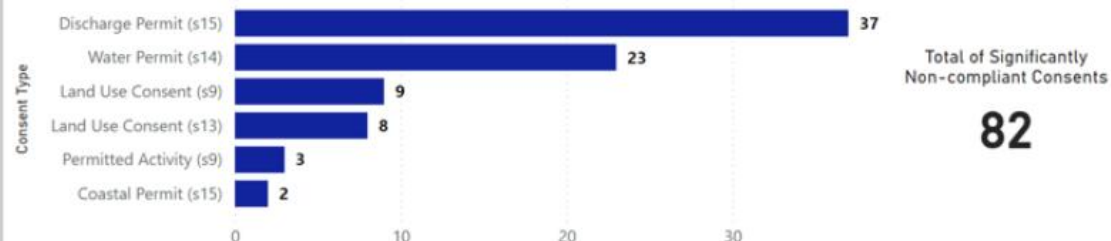
Service Measure 8: Percentage of reports of all environmental harm incidents assessed and assigned within 24 hours - Target: 90% or more

Assigned within	#	%
less than one day	3023	93.19%
Over one day	221	6.81%
Total	3244	100.00%

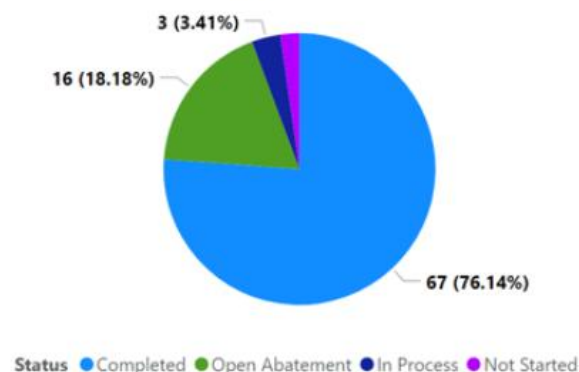
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COMPLIANCE

Significantly Non-Compliant Consent Types



Action Plan by Status



Service Measure 6: Percentage of instances of significant non-compliance where we take action. **Target: 100%**

% of significant non-compliance cases with an action plan

100%

8.2. Hearing Appointment and Nomination Status Report - 3 December 2025

Regulation Hearing Committee Report

Date of meeting	Wednesday, 3 December 2025
Author	Alison Cooper, Consents Coordinator
Responsible Director	Brett Aldridge, Director Operations

Purpose

1. To provide visibility of the status of resource consent hearings where Hearing Commissioners have been appointed and nominations of panel members under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 have been approved by the Regulation Hearing Committee (the Committee).

Recommendations

That the Regulation Hearing Committee:

1. **Notes the status of resource consent application hearings and Fast-track panel member nominations as provided in the Hearing Appointment and Nomination Status Report as of 3 December 2025.**

Status Reporting

2. The status of resource consent application hearings that are still to be heard or where a decision has been issued and nominations of Fast-track panel members will be reported at each ordinary Committee meeting.

Cost, Compliance, and Communication

Financial implications

3. The report was compiled using existing staff resources; therefore, there are no additional financial implications.

Risk assessment and legal compliance

4. This gives the Committee visibility of resource consent hearings where Hearing Commissioners have been appointed and where Fast-track panel member nominations have been approved by the Committee.

Engagement, significance, and Māori participation

5. The decision sought in this report is of low significance as assessed against the criteria set out in the Engagement, Significance, and Māori Participation Policy as it concerns internal governance assurance reporting.

Consistency with Committee policy

6. Under the Council's Standing Orders 28.3, discussion of minutes is limited to their correctness. This report allows members to be updated on the status of resource consent hearings held under the Resource Management Act 1991.

Climate change impacts

7. Not applicable to the decision sought in this report.

Communication

8. Not applicable to the decision sought in this report.

Next Steps

9. An updated report will be provided for the next Regulation Hearing Committee meeting.

Attachments

1. Hearing Appointment and Nomination Status Report for 3 December 20 (1) [8.2.1 - 4 pages]

Legal review	Robyn Fitchett, General Counsel
Peer reviewers	Henry Winchester, Consents Planning Manager

Appointments and Nominations Status Report – from meetings as at 3 December 2025

Meeting Date	Report	Resolution	Complete [Yes/No]
9 October 2024	7.4 Appointment of Hearing Commissioners	CRC235038, CRC235039, CRCC235040 and CRC235041 applied for by Christchurch City Council – David Caldwell (Chair), Dean Chrystal and Nathan Capper as the Hearing Commissioners	No. Hearing commenced 25 November 2024 and adjourned 28 November 2024 after hearing applicant's evidence; reconvened 28 and 29 January and 10 and 11 February 2025 to hear submitters. Hearing now deferred for applicant to apply for new consents.
19 February 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC241975 held by Whyte Farming Co. Ltd – Jayne Macdonald as Hearing Commissioner	No. Application in process.
26 February 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC240322, CRC240323 and CRC240324 applied for by Waimakariri Irrigation Limited – Andrew Henderson as Hearing Commissioner	Yes. Granted with conditions. https://www.ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/resource-consents/notifications-and-submissions/notified-decisions/2025/waimakariri-irrigation-limited
26 February 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC223604 CRC223608 CRC233077 and CRC233419 applied for by D R McIntyre – Jayne Macdonald and Nathan Capper as Hearing Commissioners	No. Hearing held and currently adjourned for further information and the applicants right of reply.
5 March 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC240739 CRC240740 applied for by McCain Foods (NZ) Ltd – Ken Gimblett as Hearing Commissioner	No. Hearing deferred for further information.
12 March 2025 30 April 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioners 8.3 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC243699 – CRC243706 applied for by Protranz International Ltd – Rob Enright (Chair), Greg Ryder and Mark St Clair as Hearing Commissioner. Revocation of appointment of Greg Ryder, and appointment of Craig Welsh as Hearing Commissioner	No. Application suspension extended to 30 November 2025 for acknowledgement of Fast-Track acceptance.

Meeting Date	Report	Resolution	Complete [Yes/No]
19 March 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioners	CRC122860 applied for by G & G Coats Ltd – Reginald Proffit as Hearing Commissioner	No. Hearing deferred to enable applicant to provide response to s92 request which requires testing at beginning of irrigation season.
19 March 2025	8.3 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC244535 applied for by Claremont Farms Ltd – Reginald Proffit as Hearing Commissioner	Yes. Application granted with conditions. https://www.ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/resource-consents/notifications-and-submissions/notified-decisions/2025/claremont-farms-limited
19 March 2025	8.4 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC094206 applied for by Mr DD & Mrs DM Galletly – David Caldwell as Hearing Commissioner	Yes. Application granted with conditions. https://www.ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/resource-consents/notifications-and-submissions/notified-decisions/2025/mr-dd-and-mrs-dm-galletly
9 April 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC224165, CRC224166, CRC233767, CRC235440 and CRC251497 applied for by Mr SR & Mrs LT Shirtcliff – Michael Durand as Hearing Commissioner	Yes. Application granted with conditions. https://www.ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/resource-consents/notifications-and-submissions/notified-decisions/2025/s-and-l-shirtcliff
9 April 2025	8.3 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC120988, CRC121181 and CRC253441 applied for by Selwyn District Council – Ken Gimblett as Hearing Commissioner	No. Hearing date to be confirmed –prehearing meeting to be held 3 December 2025.
30 April 2025	8.2 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC251472 applied for by R & P McIntosh Ltd - Cindy Robinson as Hearing Commissioner	No. Hearing held 24 October and adjourned for further information.
14 May 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC202303 applied for by Pahau Dairy Farm Ltd – Mark St Clair as Hearing Commissioner	Yes. Application granted with conditions. https://www.ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/resource-consents/notifications-and-submissions/notified-decisions/2025/pahau-dairy-farm-limited

Meeting Date	Report	Resolution	Complete [Yes/No]
28 May 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioners	CRC203988 applied for by PG & JA Everest - Rob Enright and Shane Roberts as Hearing Commissioners	No. Hearing commenced 6 October 2025 and adjourned for Applicants right of reply due 19 December 2025.
28 May 2025	8.2 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC190008 applied for by Belborough Holdings Ltd – Cindy Robinson as Hearing Commissioner	No. Hearing commenced 19 August 2025 and adjourned for additional information. Decision due 5 December 2025.
4 June 2025	8.2 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC252944 applied for by Frews Contracting Ltd – Craig Welsh as Hearing Commissioner	Yes. Application to change conditions granted. https://www.ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/resource-consents/notifications-and-submissions/notified-decisions/2025/frews-contracting-limited
4 June 2025	8.3 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC244964 CRC244965 and CRC244866 applied for by Taepu Land Ltd – Michael Durand as Hearing Commissioner	No. Hearing vacated for decision to be made on papers. Further information requested.
9 July 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC244979 CRC245051 CRC245052 CRC250012 and CRC250013 applied for by Glenturret Farm Ltd – Ngaire Phillips as Hearing Commissioner	No. Application suspended to 28 January 2026.
23 July 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC251483 applied for by Waimakariri District Council – Michael Durand as Hearing Commissioner	Yes. Granted with conditions. https://www.ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/resource-consents/notifications-and-submissions/notified-decisions/2025/waimakariri-district-council-2
23 July 2025	8.2 Appointment of Hearing Commissioners	CRC241381 applied for by North Canterbury Quarries Ltd – Greg Ryder and Nathan O'Connell as Hearing Commissioners	No. Hearing commenced 15 October 2025 and adjourned for further information.
23 July 2025	8.3 Appointment of Hearing Commissioners	CRC241977 held by Mount Arrowsmith Ltd and PW & WF Wareing; CRC190617 applied for by Lake Heron Station Ltd and CRC213738 applied for by Castleridge Station Ltd – Jayne Macdonald, Reginald Proffit and Ngaire Phillips as Hearing Commissioners	No. Lake Heron Station Ltd - hearing commence 3 rd November and adjourned for the applicants right of reply 12 December 2025. Hearing date to be confirmed for the remaining applications.

Meeting Date	Report	Resolution	Complete [Yes/No]
23 July 2025	8.4 Appointment of Hearing Commissioners	CRC240750 – CRC240764 applied for by Amuri Irrigation Co. Ltd – Trevor Robinson and Anthony Cussins as Hearing Commissioners	Yes. Application granted with conditions. https://www.ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/resource-consents/notifications-and-submissions/notified-decisions/2025/amuri-irrigation-company-ltd
30 July 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioners	CRC242267, CRC242268, CRC242269 and CRC251999 applied for by Christchurch City Council – Gina Sweetman, Amy Robinson and Yvette Couch-Lewis as Hearing Commissioners	No. Joint hearing to commence 8 December 2025.
10 September 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	Revocation of appointment of Yvette Couch-Lewis, and appointment of Megan McKay as Hearing Commissioner. Megan McKay appointment revoked, and Julianne Chetham appointed	
3 September 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC242328 CRC242330 and CRC242331 applied for by Isaac Construction Ltd – Graham Taylor as Hearing Commissioner	No. Hearing deferred with decision to be made on the papers.
3 September 2025	8.2 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC230188 and CRC230189 applied for by Fereday Island Ltd – Andrew Henderson as Hearing Commissioner	No. Hearing deferred with decision to be made on the papers
24 September 2025	8.1 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC233952 CRC233953 CRC233954 and CRC233955 applied for by Bowenvale GCO Ltd – In Receivership – Andrew Henderson as Hearing Commissioner	No. Hearing held 17 November. Decision due 12 December 2025.
24 September 2025	8.2 Appointment of Hearing Commissioners	CRC254346 – applied for by Whyte Farming Co. Ltd – Jayne Macdonald as Hearing Commissioner to decide notification; Jayne Macdonald, Reginald Proffit and Ngaire Phillips as Hearing Commissioners to consider, hear and decide the application	No.
24 September 2025	8.3 Appointment of Hearing Commissioner	CRC253048 – applied for by Wongan Hills Limited – Cindy Robinson as Hearing Commissioner	No. Hearing to be held February 2026

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Regulation Hearing Committee will be publicly advertised and updated on the Environment Canterbury website.

10. Mihi Whakakapi - Closing

A karakia will be provided later in the day at the close of Council business.