Canterbury Regional Council

Proposal for Canterbury Regional Pest Management Plan pursuant to the Biosecurity Act 1993

MINUTE AND DIRECTIONS OF HEARING PANEL

Release of interim draft Regional Pest Management Plan for comment

Minute 6

INTRODUCTION

- 1. This is the sixth Minute of the Hearing Panel.
- 2. This minute sets out details around the interim draft Regional Pest Management Plan that is being released for comment. We note that comment is not sought from new parties to the process.
- 3. The interim draft is a copy of the recommended interim draft RPMP provided to the Hearing Panel by Council Staff on 24 October 2017 which now incorporates specific changes directed by the Hearings Panel in Minute 5. These specific changes are shown in track changes in the interim draft document. The interim draft does not represent the Panel's decision, nor does it necessarily represent Council staff's position in relation to directions for changes we have made.
- 4. We expect that both submitters and the Council will provide comment on technical and workability matters in relation to this document.
- 5. The Panel will continue to work through the evidence presented to it, as well as consider the comments made by the parties in this next step in the process. This will all contribute to our decision making process before we direct the final draft to be prepared.
- 6. We re-iterate that comments on technical and workability matters are due by 6pm on *Monday, 20 November 2017*. We again indicate that we are unlikely to grant extensions to this date.

ISSUED by the Hearing Panel

10 November 2017