

BEFORE THE CANTERBURY REGIONAL COUNCIL AND ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL

IN THE MATTER OF the Resource Management Act 1991 ('the RMA')

AND

IN THE MATTER OF A RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATION by Rangitata
Diversion Race Management Limited under section 88
of the RMA for Klondyke Water Storage Facility

FOURTH MINUTE OF THE HEARINGS PANEL

18 APRIL 2018

INTRODUCTION

- 1 The purpose of this minute is to:
 - (a) issue a draft Hearing Schedule;
 - (b) provide information regarding the Panel's site visit; and
 - (c) disclose information relating to my previous involvement in providing advice to a submitter.

INFORMATION / DIRECTIONS

- 2 **Hearing:** The hearing shall commence at 9 am on Monday 23rd April 2018 at the Ashburton Trust Events Centre. At this stage, the hearing is scheduled for nine days, concluding on Friday 4th May 2018. The hearing will not take place over the course of Wednesday 25th April, Anzac Day. **Attached** to this minute is a draft hearing schedule to be used as a guide for the hearing process.
- 3 If any parties have any issues with the draft hearing schedule, please communicate with Alison Cooper, Hearings Officer as soon as possible and we will do our best to accommodate your needs. The draft hearing schedule may be amended as we get closer to the hearing and as the hearing proceeds to accommodate for the reasonable needs of participants.
- 4 **Site visit:** The Panel shall undertake a site visit on the afternoon of Friday 27th April 2018. At this stage the Panel intends to visit the Klondyke Pond site, the access-ways to the Rakaia River, proposed sites of the fish screen options and viewpoints of the proposed pond site as provided by the landscape experts.
- 5 Should any parties have suggestions as to the matters the Panel should consider on the site visit, please send these suggestions to Alison Cooper, Hearings Officer as soon as possible, but no later than 12 noon Friday 27th April 2018.
- 6 **Disclosure:** I wish to disclose that I and Adderley Head has previously carried out instructions for the River Engineering team at the Canterbury Regional Council. This is relevant because the River Engineering team made a submission relating to CRC170657.
- 7 The submission requests that when an emergency release is to occur that the Canterbury Regional Council Flood Controller and relevant Canterbury Regional Council Area Engineer be informed by the Applicant of the pending emergency release prior to it occurring.

- 8 The submission also requests that the Canterbury Regional Council Flood Controller and Canterbury Regional Council Area Engineer are included within the relevant conditions of consent (36-43) so that they can have input into the Emergency Action Plan requirements.
- 9 The two key projects I have previously been involved in with the River Engineering team at the Canterbury Regional Council include:
- (a) The Ashburton Flood Protection project which commenced 2002 and completed 2004; and
 - (b) The Waimakariri Flood Protection project which commenced 2006 and concluded 2009,
- both of which included resource consenting for flood protection works for Waimakariri and Christchurch City.
- 10 Following from the above resource consent instructions, I acted, providing advice relating to property works agreements enabling the location of stop banks on privately held land. Those instructions were completed in 2015 with the exception of one matter (concerning one Christchurch property) which concluded in July 2017.
- 11 I consider the submission made by the River Engineering team at Canterbury Regional Council on CRC170657 to be a limited and discreet matter and I do not consider that my prior involvement, as outlined above, with the River Engineering team causes any issues in relation to its submission.
- 12 At the time of preparing this minute, I am not aware that the issue as described above has been resolved, and it may well have been, but alternatively, it seems a simple matter capable of resolution between the submitter and Applicant.
- 13 Should any party have any issue with the above disclosure, please urgently advise the Panel.

Any correspondence to the Panel should be directed through Alison Cooper, Hearings officer at CRC. Email: Hearings@ecan.govt.nz or Private Bag 345, Christchurch, Phone 027 549 7661.



Paul Rogers

Independent Commissioner – Chair

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