

HUTT CITY COUNCIL
PROPOSED PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE 53:
190, 236 AND 268 STRATTON STREET, NORMANDALE
REZONING TO RURAL RESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY AREA

MINUTE 2 OF INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL

Introduction

1. As all PC53 parties will be aware, at 11:59pm on 7 September 2021, the country outside of the Auckland region will transit from Covid-19 Alert Level 3 to Alert Level 2. This minute outlines the implications of this for the proposed hearing into the Plan Change which, as per Minute 1 (dated 24 August 2021), is set down to commence at 9am on Friday 10 September 2021. We also take this opportunity to set out some responses to some administrative matters that the Panel canvassed in Minute 1.
2. The key message is that the hearing will continue as programmed and will function under Covid Level 2 protocols as directed by the Prime Minister this afternoon. This means that the Council Chambers is available for the hearing to be held in person. The Chambers will be setup with seating to comply with the physical distancing requirements and hand sanitiser will be made available. Attendees will need to sign in using the Covid Tracer app and may wish to wear mouth/ coverings such as masks.
3. Anyone not wishing to attend in person may participate by alternative video zoom conference – details of which will be supplied by the Hearings Administrator (Ms Asha Surrey). Ms Surrey will be in direct contact with the applicant and submitters over next 24 hours to ascertain preferences from parties as to attendance preferences (i.e. zoom or in person).
4. The above aside, and further to our requests in Minute 1 on certain responses from submitters in regard to expert witnesses and site visits, we can advise that:
 - a. The s42A report by the Council was received on 26 August and was posted on the Website the same day.
 - b. The expert evidence on behalf of the PC53 proponents, Judy and Neville Bannister, was filed with the Council on 2 September and was posted on the website the same day.
 - c. There was no advice received from submitters by the deadline of 31 August of any expert witnesses being retained by any submitter and therefore there was naturally no expert witness evidence pre-circulated by any submitter by the deadline of 2 September. This means any submitters that do attend will be presenting lay evidence on the day and this does not need to be pre-circulated. However, it would be appreciated that copies of any speaking notes or written presentations used by such submitters are made available to the Panel on the day of the hearing so that we have an accurate record of the matters being elaborated on by submitters attending either in person or by zoom. Copies can be either emailed to Ms Surrey or handed up to her on the day of the hearing whatever is the most convenient to each presenting submitter.
 - d. By the date nominated in Minute 1 (31 August 2021), one submitter (Matthew and Clare Willard) had requested a site visit. The request is that the Panel undertake a site inspection of Stratton Street from the intersection of Cottle Park Drive and Stratton Street (North). We will provide a further opportunity at the hearing for other submitters to request us to undertake any particular site visit. In the meantime, we

can confirm that the Panel will certainly visit this stretch of road either before or following the hearing (and possibly at both occasions). We do not require any accompaniment of any person to undertake that visit. We also record that the Willard's have also emailed a statement to be read at the hearing in response to traffic matters covered in the s42A report and the expert traffic evidence of the proponent. We direct the attention of the proponent and Council to that statement and request that there is a specific response to those matters by the traffic experts at the hearing.

e. Submitter who have, since Minute 1, advised that they no longer wish to attend the hearing are:

- Alan & Joanne Stevens
- Forest and Bird

f. On this basis, we understand that the following submitters will be attending the hearing:

- Peter and Sandra Matcham
- Friends of Belmont Regional Park
- Pam Guest

Next steps

5. All plans are in place for the hearing on **Friday 10 September** at Council Chambers as per the hearing notice dated 24 August 2021.
6. HCC hearing administrator, Asha Surrey, will be in touch with the remaining submitters to ascertain their preference for attendance. She can be reached at Asha.Surrey@huttcity.govt.nz

DATED this 7th day of September 2021



DJ McMahon
Chair - Independent Hearings Panel

For and on behalf of:
Commissioner EA Burge
Councillor Simon Edwards