

IN THE MATTER

of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER

of Submissions and Further Submissions
on the Proposed Hutt City District Plan

Minute 3

Proposed District Plan – Corrected Hearing Schedule

16 March 2026

Introduction

1. In my Minute 2 I outlined hearing procedures including a schedule of Hearing dates and the staggered process of receipt of officers reports, submitter evidence, submissions and representations.
2. It has been identified that there were some errors with the working days outlined for submission of documentation to the panel. I apologise for any confusion this may have caused. In addition, there has needed to be an amendment to the Hearing Dates for Hearing Stream 2 – Business due to venue availability.
3. Therefore, attached is the amended and corrected schedule.



Lindsay Daysh

Independent Commissioner

Chair Hutt City Proposed District Plan

Hearing Panel

16 March 2026

Appendix A
Revised Hearing Schedule

Programme

Hearing 1 – Opening

- **Hearing Dates – 29 and 30 April 2026.**
- Covers:
 - Introduction to the PDP and hearing process;
 - Presentation on the PDP and its approach;
 - Presentation on partial withdrawal and exemption, including issues on consequential amendments to the PDP and integrating the PDP with the Operative District Plan including legal advice;
 - How the Plan Works;
 - General Definitions;
 - Strategic Directions – Tangata Whenua;
 - Strategic Directions – Natural Environment; and
 - General briefing on other Strategic Directions that will be considered in relevant topic related Hearings.
- Estimated length: 2 days
- Commissioners – All.
- s42A Report – **Thursday 26 March 2026.**
- Submitters confirm request to be heard – **Thursday 2 April 2026.**
- Submitter evidence, requests for site visit, requests for submitter or specified witnesses to appear virtually – **Monday 13 April 2026.**
- Legal Submissions, written representations longer than 3 A4 pages, and power point presentations – **Thursday 23 April 2026.**

Hearing 2 – Business

- **Hearing Dates – 25 and 27-28 May 2026 (29 May before 11.30am Reserve).**
- Strategic Direction – Urban Form (Business) and Commercial Zone, Industrial Zone, Hazardous Substances and Contaminated Land chapters.
- Estimated length: 3-4 days.
- Commissioners: Daysh (Chair), Jones, McMahon, Muspratt.
- s42A Report – **Thursday 23 April 2026.**
- Submitters confirm request to be heard – **Friday 1 May 2026.**
- Submitter evidence, requests for site visit, requests for submitter or specified witnesses to appear virtually – **Friday 8 May 2026.**
- Legal Submissions, written representations longer than 3 A4 pages, and power point presentations – **Wednesday 20 May 2026.**

Hearing 3 – Residential / Rural

- **Hearing Dates – 22-23 and 25-26 June 2026.**
- Strategic Direction – Urban Form (Rural/Residential); and Residential Zone and Rural Zone chapters.
- Estimated length: 4 days.
- Commissioners: Daysh (Chair), Burge, Chetham, McMahon.
- s42A Report – **Thursday 21 May 2026.**
- Submitters confirm request to be heard – **Thursday 28 May 2026.**
- Submitter evidence, requests for site visit, requests for submitter or specified witnesses to appear virtually – **Friday 5 June 2026.**
- Legal Submissions, written representations longer than 3 A4 pages, and power point presentations – **Wednesday 17 June 2026.**

Hearing 4 – Other Zones

- **Hearing Dates – 21-22 July 2026 (23 July Reserve).**
- Open Space Zones, Tertiary Education Zone, Hospital Zone, Marae Zone and Quarry Zone chapters.
- Estimated length: 2-3 days.
- Commissioners: Daysh (Chair), Burge, Chetham, Muspratt.
- s42A Report – **Friday 19 June 2026.**
- Submitters confirm request to be heard – **Friday 26 June 2026.**
- Submitter evidence, requests for site visit, requests for submitter or specified witnesses to appear virtually – **Friday 3 July 2026.**
- Legal Submissions, written representations longer than 3 A4 pages, and power point presentations – **Thursday 16 July 2026.**

Hearing 5 – Natural Hazards

- **Hearing Dates – 18-21, 26-27 August 2026.**
- Strategic Direction – Climate Change and Natural Hazards and Natural Hazards and Coastal Environment chapters.
- Estimated length: 6 days.
- Commissioners: Daysh (Chair) Burge, Jones, McMahon.
- s42A Report – **Monday 20 July 2026.**
- Submitters confirm request to be heard – **Monday 27 July 2026.**
- Submitter evidence, requests for site visit, requests for submitter or specified witnesses to appear virtually – **Monday 3 August 2026.**

- Legal Submissions, written representations longer than 3 A4 pages, and power point presentations – **Thursday 13 August 2026.**

Hearing 6 – Infrastructure

- **Hearing Dates – 22-24 September 2026.**
- Strategic Direction – Infrastructure, Infrastructure Chapter Protection of Infrastructure, Renewable Electricity Generation, Three Waters and Transport chapters.
- Estimated length: 3 days.
- Commissioners: McMahon (Chair), Chetham, Jones, Muspratt.
- s42A Report – **Monday 24 August 2026.**
- Submitters confirm request to be heard – **Monday 31 August 2026.**
- Submitter evidence, requests for site visit, requests for submitter or specified witnesses to appear virtually – **Monday 7 September 2026.**
- Legal Submissions, written representations longer than 3 A4 pages, and power point presentations – **Thursday 17 September 2026.**

Hearing 7 – Other Topics

- **Hearing Dates – 14-16 and 20 October 2026.**
- Activities on the Surface of Water, Earthworks, Financial Contributions, Light, Noise, Notable Trees, Papakāinga, Signs, Subdivision, Tangata Whenua, Temporary Activities and Wind.
- Estimated length: 4 days.
- Commissioners Daysh (Chair), Burge, Jones, Muspratt.
- s42A Report – **Tuesday 15 September 2026.**
- Submitters confirm request to be heard – **Tuesday 22 September 2026.**
- Submitter evidence, requests for site visit, requests for submitter or specified witnesses to appear virtually – **Tuesday 29 September 2026.**
- Legal Submissions, written representations longer than 3 A4 pages, and power point presentations – **Friday 9 October 2026.**

Hearing 8 – Benmore Crescent

- **Hearing Dates – 11-13 November 2026 (18 November Reserve).**
- Submissions on the Benmore Crescent development site.
- Estimated length: 4 days
- Commissioners: Daysh (Chair), Burge, Chetham, McMahon.
- s42A Report – **Monday 12 October 2026.**
- Submitters confirm request to be heard – **Monday 19 October 2026.**

- Submitter evidence, requests for site visit, requests for submitter or specified witnesses to appear virtually – **Tuesday 27 October 2026.**
- Legal Submissions, written representations longer than 3 A4 pages, and power point presentations – **Friday 6 November 2026.**

Hearing 9 – Designations

- **Hearing Dates – 23-24 November 2026.**
- All Designations.
- Estimated length: 2 days.
- Commissioners: Daysh (Chair), Chetham, Jones, Muspratt.
- s42A Report – **Thursday 22 October 2026.**
- Submitters confirm request to be heard – **Friday 30 October 2026.**
- Submitter evidence, requests for site visit, requests for submitter or specified witnesses to appear virtually – **Friday 6 November 2026.**
- Legal Submissions, written representations longer than 3 A4 pages, and power point presentations – **Wednesday 18 November 2026.**

Hearing 10 – Wrap-up

- **Hearing Dates – 8-9 December 2026.**
 - Final reporting from reporting officers to the Panel;
 - Final questions from Panel to reporting officers;
 - Reporting officers coming back with responses to earlier questions;
 - Opportunity to address matters from earlier hearings that needed to be pushed back;
 - Opportunity to revisit topics from earlier in the process, including for integration and Strategic Directions.
- Estimated length: 2 days.
- Commissioners: All.
- Directions on scope, content and any additional representations or evidence will be outlined via a minute closer to the time.