

**IN THE MATTER OF** Resource Management Act 1991

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER OF** the hearing of submissions in relation to  
the Proposed Timaru District Plan

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**MINUTE 35**

**DIRECTIONS REGARDING S42A REPORT FILING FOR HEARING G – GROWTH AND  
DESIGNATIONS**

**DATED 13 MAY 2025**

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**INTRODUCTION**

[1] The Panel<sup>1</sup> has received a memorandum<sup>2</sup> from Counsel for Timaru District Council seeking to extend the timeframe of 21 May 2025 for the officers s42A Reports<sup>3</sup> for Hearing G to 6 June 2025; and the date for legal submissions to 30 June 2025, and the date for s42A summary statements to 3 July 2025.

The Panel has recently issued Minute 33 which directs the Council to publish and notify an updated Flood Assessment Area Overlay sought by Environment Canterbury (183.28) for further submissions and has requested Council provide a memorandum setting out the timeframes for the updated Overlay, notification and hearing process.

**DIRECTION**

[2] The Panel approves the request by Timaru District Council to extend the timeframes. Should this directly affect any submitter who is reliant on receiving the s42A Reports on the original date, they may request an extension of time from the Panel in writing.

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<sup>1</sup> The Timaru District Council ("the Council") appointed Cindy Robinson (Chairperson), Ros Day-Cleavin, Councillor Stacey Scott, Jane Whyte, Megan McKay, and Raewyn Solomon ("the Panel") to hear submissions and further submissions, and evidence to make decisions on the Timaru Proposed District Plan ("the Proposed Plan") pursuant to Section 34A(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991 ("RMA"). Our delegation includes all related procedural powers to conduct those hearings.

<sup>2</sup> Memorandum of Counsel on behalf of Timaru District Council – Hearing G – Hearing timetable, 9 May 2025.

<sup>3</sup> As per procedural requirements set out in Paragraph 5 of Minute 13 dated 5 August 2024.

[3] In anticipation of the memorandum from Council in response to Minute 33, one of the preliminary matters identified by s42A officer Mr Bonis for Hearing G was that submitters seeking growth rezonings need to demonstrate avoidance and management of inappropriate natural hazard risk.

[4] It may be that some submitters in Hearing G will find that they now need to consider the proposed updated Flood Assessment Area Overlay. Mr Bonis will need to give consideration to the linkages between the rezoning requests subject to Hearing G, and the implications of the renotified Flood Assessment Area Overlay. The Panel directs that Mr Bonis address these matters in his s42A report.

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025.

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C E ROBINSON - CHAIR ON BEHALF OF THE HEARINGS PANEL