WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT COUNCIL PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE 95

Pencarrow Estate Pongakawa

HEARING DIRECTION 5

This Direction follows from and is in addition to our first four directions, which were issued on the 16th of May 2024, the 20th of August 2024, 18th of November 2024 and the 3rd of December 2024 respectively. This minute requests the Applicant's right of reply.

Hearing Adjourned & Further Information

As Commissioner Kemble advised on Thursday the 14th of November at 5.10 pm, the hearing into Private Plan Change 95 was adjourned pending the supply of further information, the completion of the site visit and the completion of some preliminary deliberations (which occurred immediately following our site visit) to determine if we have all of the information we need to make a robust decision(s), or if we need further assistance from the parties.

The information sought in Minute's 3 and 4 has now all been supplied, and we have completed both our site visit and our preliminary deliberations regarding the adequacy of the information that is before us. Having done so, we have determined that we do not need any additional assistance from the experts who have been engaged in this proceeding by the parties.

Right of Reply

We **direct** that the **Applicant** now supplies its right of reply by no later than 5pm on Wednesday the 12th of February 2025.

Once we have the right of reply, we will determine if we need to hear from the Applicant If we do, we will reconvene the hearing. If we do not, we will close the hearing and move into the deliberations phase of this proceeding.

Please direct all enquires regarding this Direction, or related matters, should be sent to Council through Lauren Coyle – Hearing Manager at <u>DistrictPlan@westernbay.govt.nz</u>.

Govin Kemble , 05/02/2025

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