Important information about the response from Council to procedural minutes 6 and 7

Explanation

The single largest group of submission points is those seeking a change to the zoning or precinct applicable to their property or seek to bring their property inside the Rural Urban Boundary (RUB).

The Panel recognises the importance of these points to individual submitters and the need to find an effective way to deal with these matters within the timeframe available to hold the hearings. To help with this the Panel asked Auckland Council for more information to get a better idea of the scale of these submission points, what issues may be able to be mediated and how many hearing days are likely to be required. Procedural minutes 6 and 7 (PM 6, PM 6 addendum, PM 7) on the aupihp website provide more detail about this.

Auckland Council has now provided this information to the Panel and it is made available here for anyone with an interest in the hearings on zones and precincts and how they might be run. *If you are a submitter on zones and precincts this is important information and you should read it.* If you have any questions you should contact the Independent Hearings Panel office at info@aupihp.govt.nz or phone us on 09 9795566.

The information is presented in five parts:

1. Response from Council – 16 February 2015

This document explains how the Council has grouped the submission points, what is contained in the appendices to the Council's response and lists some ways of dealing with the different groups of submission points.

2. Appendix B – Zone submission area maps

Maps showing submission points on **rezoning** grouped into 84 submission areas.

3. Appendix C – Unmapped rezoning requests

A spreadsheet that shows submission points on **rezoning** that can't be mapped.

4. Appendix D – Desktop analysis of existing precincts

Summary of key issues raised in submissions on existing precincts.

5. Appendix E - New precinct submissions

Summary of key issues raised in submissions proposing **new precincts**.

Next steps

The Panel will now consider this information and develop a logical and methodical way to address the issues raised in the submissions that makes best use of submitter and Panel time.

The Council will provide the Panel with more information in March and June of this year that will help refine its approach (see the Response from Council for details).

Information about how the Panel proposes to deal with the submissions on zones and precincts will be made available on the website and a confirmed schedule for the hearings on zones and precincts can be expected **no later than 31 July 2015**.

The panel office will contact you directly to confirm the details of the hearing process for your particular submission points.