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Dear Phill

# FURTHER RESPONSE TO DIRECTIONS IN PROCEDURAL MINUTES NO.6 AND NO.7 — REZOING AND PRECINCTS

This letter sets out the second part of the council's response to the relevant parts of Procedural Minutes 6 and 7 from the Auckland Unitary Plan Independent Hearings Panel (the Panel).

In addition to the information provided to the Panel on 16 February 2015, the following is provided:

- 1. Desktop analysis of rezoning requests by spreadsheet
- 2. Updated maps incorporating corrections to rezoning submissions
- 3. Updated unmapped zoning requests spreadsheet
- 4. A desktop analysis of requests for new precincts
- 5. New map showing geographical location of all new precinct requests (and also showing those where a rezoning submission has been made) and existing precincts with submissions

The information is available via the Auckland Council network at:

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### Rezoning request spreadsheets

A spreadsheet of submission data and preliminary desktop analysis is provided for each of the 84 submission areas. The following information is recorded:

- Submitter number(s)
- Affected property address
- Panel Hearing Topic (Rezoning central, Rezoning north, Rezoning west, Rezoning south, Rezoning coastal)
- Submission area
- Submission summary
- Zone change requested
- PAUP zone

#### Theme

The council's ongoing analysis will record relevant overlays and other information pertinent to the submissions.

The spreadsheets identify all affected sites recorded against each submission. The submission area maps provided on 16 February 2015 have been replaced to provide the Panel with the latest versions incorporating corrections and a number of sites which were previously held in the 'unmapped zoning requests' spreadsheet. This has reduced the number of submissions that could not mapped.

#### **Precincts**

The new precincts spreadsheet records:

- Precinct name
- Area (central, north and islands, west, south, Auckland-wide and coastal)
- Number of primary submitters and submission points
- Summary of key issues raised
- Significance of the issues raised, based on the range and complexity of issues, and the nature and number of submitters.

To assist the Panel and submitters, a map has been provided which shows both existing and new precincts (where the location of the new precinct is clear in the submission).

## Pre-hearing meeting

In your memo of 26 February 2015, the council is advised that the Panel has scheduled a pre-hearing meeting for 24 March 2015. At this meeting the council is required to set out its proposed approach to:

- granularity of its approach (particularly in relation to rezoning)
- any changes needed to the number and content of hearing topics related to rezoning and precincts
- the joining of hearings on rezoning and precincts
- the timeline and reporting programme across these constituent topics

The council is also requested to provide a report to the Panel by 16 March on its proposed programme, identifying its preferred number and split of hearing topics and the proposed schedule for these topics from pre-hearing to hearing (including desired dates for mediation).

The council is not in a position to provide this report with the information referred to in this letter, as it is still assessing the information it has collated for over 20,000 submission points. The council previously advised that it would be able to provide this level of detail on 15 June 2015 and is on track to do so. Notwithstanding this, our understanding of the nature and extent of submissions is now sufficiently advanced to assist the Panel's consideration of process matters at the pre-hearing meeting. It is the council's intention to set out its approach at the pre-hearing meeting and to provide the Panel with a preliminary report at that time.

If you have any queries, please contact Celia Davison, Team Leader Unitary Plan or Michele Perwick, Principal Planner.

Yours sincerely

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