

DIRECTIONS OF THE HEARINGS PANEL

MINUTE 4

PLAN CHANGE 2 – HOUSING AND CODE OF PRACTICE

DIRECTIONS CLOSING THE HEARING

1 INTRODUCTION

- [1] The hearing for Plan Change 2 was held on Wednesday 20 May 2026.
- [2] At the hearing, the Hearings Panel heard from Council officers, expert witnesses, submitters, and legal counsel. The Panel also asked questions of those who appeared.
- [3] Minute 1 anticipated that the Section 42A Report author would provide a written Reply Report following the hearing. At the conclusion of the hearing, Council provided an oral reply.
- [4] The Panel asked Council whether it intended to provide a written reply. Council advised that the only further material to be provided was a final set of recommended provisions from the Section 42A Report author, following a consistency check in light of matters raised at the hearing.
- [5] The Panel has now received and considered the updated recommended provisions and any further material properly provided in response to matters raised at the hearing.
- [6] Before the hearing was adjourned, the Panel checked whether any further procedural matters had arisen during the hearing. No further procedural matters were raised.
- [7] The Panel is satisfied that it has sufficient information and that no further hearing process is required.

2 CLOSURE OF HEARING

- [8] The hearing for Plan Change 2 is formally closed as at Monday 8 June 2026.
- [9] No further evidence, submissions, or other material may be provided to the Panel unless specifically requested by the Panel.

3 DECISION

- [10] The Panel will now complete its deliberations and decision drafting.
- [11] The Panel anticipates that its decision will be released by the end of June 2026.
- [12] Once finalised, the decision will be released in accordance with the usual statutory process.



Megan McKay

Independent Commissioner – Chair, on behalf of the ICC Plan Change 2 Hearing Panel
8 June 2026