

## PROPOSED FAR NORTH DISTRICT PLAN

### MINUTE 11 OF THE INDEPENDENT HEARINGS PANEL

#### Expert Conferencing for Hearing 1 – Contaminated Land Chapter

#### INTRODUCTION

1. Following the hearing of evidence for Hearing 1 – Part 1 and General / Miscellaneous topic, we received a written reply from the Council officer on evidence presented. A copy of that reply can be found here:

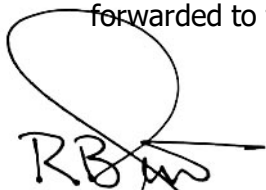
[Hearing 1 – Part 1 and General / Miscellaneous - Officer's Reply](#)

2. Section 3.3 of the Reply relates to the submission from BP Oil New Zealand Limited, Mobil Oil New Zealand Limited, Z Energy Limited (**Fuel Companies**) (Submission Point 335.006) requesting a new chapter in the Proposed District Plan relating to Contaminated Land. In the Reply the Council officer recommended that the submission be accepted in part and states:

*While I recommend that the abovementioned requested changes are accepted in part, I have not made amendments to the PDP. I consider the best approach from here would be to organise a meeting with The Fuel Companies to discuss the specific wording where there is scope to do so.*

3. The Hearings Panel agrees and directs expert conferencing as follows:
  - a. The Council and the Fuel Companies are to arrange expert conferencing to discuss the wording for the proposed Contaminated Land Chapter to the Proposed District Plan based on the wording submitted in evidence by the Fuel Companies.
  - b. The parties are to prepare a joint memorandum starting where they agree or disagree on the wording. Where there is disagreement, the reasons are to be set out in the joint memorandum.
  - c. Given that there will only be two parties to the expert conferencing, there is no need to have independent facilitation of the conferencing.
  - d. The parties are to file the responses to the Hearings Panel by Monday 4.00pm, 11 November 2024.

4. If you have any questions regarding this Minute, please contact the Hearings Administrator Alicia-Kate (AK) Taihia - Submissions & Hearings Administrator District Plan: [aliciakate.taihia@fndc.govt.nz](mailto:aliciakate.taihia@fndc.govt.nz) or (09)4015247 in the first instance and this will be forwarded to the Panel for consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Scott', with a large, loopy flourish above the name.

Robert Scott  
Hearings Panel Chairperson

14 October 2024