

**BEFORE THE CHRISTCHURCH REPLACEMENT
DISTRICT PLAN INDEPENDENT HEARINGS PANEL**

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management
Act 1991 and the Canterbury
Earthquake (Christchurch
Replacement District Plan) Order
2014

AND

IN THE MATTER of the Stage 2 Specific Purpose
Zone (part) Proposal

**APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL
SEEKING LEAVE TO FILE EVIDENCE OUT OF TIME**

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MAY IT PLEASE THE PANEL:

1. The purpose of this application is to respectfully seek leave to file the evidence of two Christchurch City Council (**Council**) witnesses out of time for the Specific Purpose Zone Hearing:
 - (a) Ms Glenda Dixon (providing planning evidence for the Specific Purpose (School) Zone and Specific Purpose (Tertiary Education) Zone); and
 - (b) Ms Josie Schroder (providing urban design evidence for the Specific Purpose (School) Zone, Specific Purpose (Tertiary Education) Zone and the Specific Purpose (Hospital) Zone).
2. The evidence was due to be filed by 5:00pm yesterday, Monday 5 October 2015.
3. The Council notes that the delay in filing this evidence has been caused by an unexpected change in witness late last week. Ms Dixon was not originally scheduled as the planning witnesses for the Tertiary Zone and School Zone, as although she was the author of those Zones she was also scheduled to be involved in a number of other Proposals in Stage 2 (the content of which has since been deferred to Stage 3). The Council intended for the original witnesses to continue his role as planner, however time constraints for that witness were apparent, and therefore the decision was made to reinstate Ms Dixon as planning witnesses.
4. The implication of this is that Ms Dixon was required to familiarise herself with the most recent developments, and it was expected that Ms Dixon would be in the position to file the evidence by the due date (ie yesterday). However, in order to ensure the evidence is accurate (including the Revised Proposal and amended Section 32) the Council considered that further time was necessary. A further implication of this, was that Ms Schroder's evidence was not able to be filed (as Ms Dixon relies on her evidence and it was necessary to ensure alignment).
5. The Council considers that, given the reasonably broad timeframes in the timetable for this hearing (and given the next event date is facilitated mediation), the late filing of this evidence will not prejudice any of the

submitters (mediation is scheduled for Monday 12 October, with submitter evidence due on Thursday 15 October).

6. The Council respectfully seeks leave for the evidence of Ms Dixon and Ms Schroder to be filed out of time. Those briefs of evidence and attachments have been filed alongside this application.

DATED this 6th day of October 2015



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