**IN THE MATTER** of the Resource Management Act 1991 (**RMA**)

AND

IN THE MATTER of <u>Private Plan Change Plan Change 105</u> - 350, 400 &

**470 Oruarangi Road, 118 Montgomerie Road and 88 Pavilion Drive, Mängere** to the Auckland Unitary Plan

## **HEARING DIRECTION #3 FROM THE HEARING PANEL**

- 1. Pursuant to section 34A of the RMA, Auckland Council (the Council) has appointed a Hearing Panel consisting of three independent hearing commissioners James Whetu (Chairperson), Juliane Chetham and Glenn Wilcox. The Hearing Panel's function is to hear the application and submissions and make a decision on the Plan Change proposal, including any changes to it that are within scope of the notified Plan Change. It is also to deal with any procedural matters.
- 2. On 10 February 2025, the Hearing Panel received a memorandum from the Applicant advising their fundamental concerns with the approach taken by the Section 42A reporting officer in assessing PPC105 and have respectfully sought directions from the Hearing Panel to suspend the current timetabling and vacate the PPC105 hearing.
- 3. The panel have considered the Applicant's memorandum and request, and accordingly:
  - (a) Suspend the current timetable outlined in Hearing Direction #2; and
  - (b) Vacate the hearing of the application that was set down to start on Monday 3 March 2025.
- 4. Consistent with the Applicant's request, the Chair directs the Applicant to file a memorandum to report on progress of their further engagement with Council, and with iwi parties, regarding the issues raised in the Section 42A Report and within their memorandum. This memorandum should be lodged with the Council's Hearings Advisor, Chayla Walker, by 12pm, Monday 3 March 2025.
- 5. After receiving this memorandum, Council will work with the Applicant to set a new hearing schedule that is reasonable for all parties. More details regarding the date and times will be conveyed in a separate minute that will be issued by the Hearing Panel in due course.

6. Any enquiries regarding these Directions or related matters should be directed to the Council's Hearings Advisor, Chayla Walker, by email at Chayla.walker@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz.

James Whetu, Chairperson

12 February 2025