

**IN THE MATTER OF** the Resource Management Act 1991  
**AND**  
**IN THE MATTER OF** Proposed Private Plan Change 7:  
Rotokauri North (PC7) to the  
Hamilton City Operative District Plan.

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**SECTION 41 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991**  
**DIRECTION / MINUTE #7**  
**INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL**

1. In Direction #6, the Hearing Panel indicated that it would advise which of the applicant's witnesses it would excuse from appearing at the hearing. The reason for not requiring an appearance is either because the Hearing Panel has no questions for the witness and/or because the matters covered are not in contention as between the experts. This is in the interest of conducting an efficient hearing.
2. In each case, the witness should remain on stand-by in the event that matters are raised by other parties within their area of expertise for which answers may be sought by the Hearing Panel.
3. Regardless, should the applicant consider that any of the witness identified below ought to present to the Hearing Panel, leave is granted to make application for the same (with stated reasons).
4. The expert witnesses excused are as follows:
  - Arden Cruickshank – Archaeology.
  - Teresa Nicholson – Contamination.
  - Dean Miller – Ecology.
  - Timothy Heath – Economics.
  - Andrew Holland – Geotechnical.
5. We also note that, depending on the s42A report author's updating comments at the commencement of the hearing, we may not need to hear from the following:
  - Rob Pryor – Landscape.
  - Bernie Milne – Surveying.

But we are not able to advise definitively until then.

6. Any queries or correspondence related to this Direction should be sent through the Hearing Administrator, Mr Steve Rice: [steve@riceres.co.nz](mailto:steve@riceres.co.nz).



David Hill (Chairperson)  
Independent Hearing Panel