

**PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE 17: TE RAPA NORTH INDUSTRIAL**  
**DIRECTION #5**  
**INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL**

**PURPOSE**

1. The purpose of Direction #5 is to confirm the timeframes and next steps we directed at the close of the hearing on 3 December 2025.

**TIMEFRAMES AND NEXT STEPS**

2. During Fonterra Limited's presentation, the applicant produced a further version of Plan Change 17, responding to the version in the section 42A addendum report.
3. We considered that we would be assisted by the applicant and the section 42A reporting team engaging with each other over the plan change provisions, and producing a further version of the plan change which resolved drafting matters and/or clearly identified where matters remained outstanding.
4. The applicant and the section 42A reporting team agreed to do this by 12 December 2025.

**DIRECTIONS**

5. The applicant and the section 42A reporting team are to produce a further version of the plan change which resolves drafting matters and/or clearly identifies where matters remain outstanding, by 12 December 2025.
6. At that time they will also propose timeframes for next steps in the process, which we anticipate will involve a final response from the section 42A reporting team, followed by the applicant's right of reply. We will make further directions in due course after 12 December 2025.

**COMMUNICATIONS TO THE HEARING PANEL**

7. All communications to the Panel, including all general enquiries, procedural requests and documents required by any direction of the Panel, are to be emailed to the Hearing Administrator at [planchange@hcc.govt.nz](mailto:planchange@hcc.govt.nz).



Vanessa Hamm (Chairperson)  
Independent Hearing Panel  
4 December 2025