

**Before Councillors and Independent Commissioners appointed
by the Gore District Council**

Under

the Resource Management Act
1991 (**Act**)

And

In the Matter of

submissions and further
submissions on the Proposed Gore
District Plan

Memorandum of Counsel for Hokonui Rūnanga Incorporated

Dated: 19 December 2024

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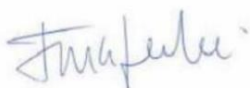
INTRODUCTION

1. We act for Hokonui Rūnanga Incorporated (**Hokonui Rūnanga**) in relation to their submission on the Proposed Gore District Plan (**PDP**).
2. The Sites and Areas of Significance to Māori (**SASM**) hearing commenced on 5 December 2024 and was adjourned to allow time for remaining submitters on the SASM chapter to file evidence. For clarity, the submitters on the SASM chapter of the PDP were given an extension of time to file evidence in the Panel's Minute 25.
3. At the hearing, the Panel directed Hokonui Rūnanga to undertake further work to address a "gap analysis" and file a response to questions raised by the Panel. A tentative timetable for this response was discussed at the hearing and subsequently proposed in a memorandum of counsel prepared on behalf of the Gore District Council (**Council**).¹ One of the steps in that timetable is for Hokonui Rūnanga to file a memorandum by 19 December 2024 informing the Panel on progress of Ms Beran's response to matters arising at the hearing.
4. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Panel with an update on progress and next steps.

Update on Progress and Next Steps

5. Ms Beran is undertaking further work in response to the Panel's questions. The matters arising are complex and touch on several chapters of the PDP so will require further time than the 19 December date initially indicatively proposed in order to be addressed by Ms Beran in full.
6. Ms Beran proposes to address these matters in her supplementary/rebuttal evidence that is tentatively due on 13 February 2025 (subject to the Panel's approval of the timetable proposed by Ms Chadwick).
7. We do not consider there is any procedural reason why Ms Beran should file this information prior to the submitters' evidence being filed on 28 January 2025 and consider there are no issues as to procedural fairness with this approach.

DATED 19 December 2024



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¹ Memorandum of counsel for Gore District Council dated 12 December 2024 at Appendix A.