

Canterbury Regional Council (Environment Canterbury)

**Proposed Plan Change 7 to the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan and Proposed
Plan Change 2 to the Waimakariri River Regional Plan**

**MINUTE AND DIRECTIONS OF THE HEARING COMMISSIONERS
on expert witness caucusing**

[Minute 9]

1. The Hearing Commissioners have perused counsel's memorandum dated 31 July 2020 and noted its contents.
2. The memorandum contains proposals for attendance at the caucusing of additional witnesses (paragraphs 3 to 7); and for addition of further topics (paragraph 8). We approve those proposals, but only on the basis that they are accommodated within the time periods prescribed in Minute 6.
3. On the contents of paragraphs 9 and 10, we are content that the caucusing is not extended to include economics witnesses.
4. On the contents of paragraphs 11 and 12, we note that caucusing of planning witnesses is to be reviewed before 24 August 2020. We expect that if caucusing of planning witnesses is proposed, it will be done in the period ending on 4 September 2020, and any consequential joint statement of planning evidence lodged no later than that day.
5. We note with approval the caucusing arrangements described in paragraphs 13 to 15 of counsel's memorandum.
6. We commend counsel for their attention to these matters.

For the Hearing Commissioners:



David F Sheppard
Chair
5 August 2020