

## Proposed Marlborough Environment Plan

### Minute of the Hearing Panel

#### Minute 13

E te Rangatira, Ngā mihi kau atu ana i roto i ngā tini āhuratanga o te wā, otira tēnā koe.

1. In response to your letter dated 21 February 2018, the Panel provide the following comments for Te Ātiawa o Te Waka-a-Māui Trust's consideration, in the hope that we continue to have constructive and meaningful input into the hearing process.
2. The Panel notes in your response that the Trust have sought to have a number of matters addressed in the Plan by way of a general comment in the submission to the iwi chapter. For example, on page 7 of your original submission on the iwi chapter you stated:

*Te Ātiawa seeks that the meaning of Kaitiakitanga is applied across the entire plan, not just one chapter.*

The Panel have noted this point, however relief sought in particular chapters goes well beyond the inclusion of kaitiakitanga within the relevant chapters, this creates a process challenge for the Panel regarding scope.

3. A number of submitters have also sought relief outside of the scope of original and further submissions, so a Minute has been issued by the Panel to all persons appearing before the Panel in the future (a copy is annexed for your information). The Panel encourages the Trust to follow this direction moving forward.
4. The Council is bound by the statutory provisions and regulations of the Resource Management Act 1991 and these are summarised in Council's Guidelines issued to all submitters at the beginning of these proceedings. The legal requirements imposed on Council, and all submitters, are to ensure relief sought is confined to the scope of the relief sought in an original submission. This is important for all parties involved.
5. All submitters and Council have to work under and comply with these legal requirements. The Council in its voluntarily issued Guidelines make this clear.
6. The hearing Panel look forward to continuing a positive and constructive relationship with Te Ātiawa o Te Waka-a-Māui Trust as we navigate our way through this hearing process.

Dated 6 April 2018



Councillor Trevor Hook

Chair of the MEP Hearing Panel