Proposed Marlborough Environment Plan

Minute of the Hearing Panel

Minute 15

- 1. On 14 March 2018 Mr James Bentley, the s42A report writer for the Natural Character and Landscape topic, provided responses to the Panel's Minutes 8 and 9, to which the Panel convey its appreciation.
- 2. The Panel has considered Mr Bentley's proposed reorganisation of landscapes according to a "visual catchment" approach. This includes what he termed "nested landscapes", in that the smaller landscape are nested within the existing Inner and Outer Sounds Landscapes.
- 3. In Mr Bentley's right of reply, it was indicated that the values identified within Appendix 1 of Volume 3 of the Marlborough Environment Plan (MEP) could be reasonably easily reorganised to reflect nested landscapes if the Panel was of a mind to adopt this alternative mapping approach.
- 4. In order to assist in its deliberations, the Panel requests from Mr Bentley that the values identified within Appendix 1 of Volume 3 of the MEP be reorganised in accordance with the mapped nested landscapes identified in his response to the relevant minute. In addition, the Panel also seeks that the resulting content makes a clear distinction between landscape values and feature values.
- 5. It would be helpful to the Panel if Mr Bentley could provide an indication of the time required to complete this task. This indication can be provided to Mr Hawes at the Marlborough District Council.

Dated 16 April 2018

Councillor Trevor Hook

Chair of the MEP Hearing Panel

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