

Proposed Marlborough Environment Plan

Minute of the Hearing Panel

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On 13 December 2017, the Proposed Marlborough Environment Plan Hearing Panel (the Panel) received a request from the Marine Farming Association Incorporated (MFA) and Aquaculture New Zealand Limited (AQNZ) to split their appearance time between two days, being 1 and 2 March 2018.

Counsel for MFA and AQNZ explained that their witness Mr Hudson would be involved in an Environment Court hearing in Auckland until 2 March 2018 and would therefore be unavailable to present to the Panel in person on the hearing dates for Topic 5: Natural Character and Landscape.

As 2 March 2018 was not a hearing day, the Panel were not minded to consider reconvening to accommodate this request. While refusing it, they did note that there are alternatives available, such as Skype facilities or other remote contact methods. The Panel would also consider a later time slot of 4:00pm to hear Mr Hudson on any of the hearing days for that week (26 February – 1 March 2018), if required.

Dated 14 December 2017

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T Hook', with a small dot at the end.

Councillor Trevor Hook

Chair of the MEP Hearing Panel