

28 September 2022

File Ref: OIAP-7-25819

[REDACTED]
Your Bay Your Say

By email: [REDACTED]

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Request for information 2022-155

I refer to your request for information dated 13 September 2022, which was received by Greater Wellington Regional Council (Greater Wellington) on 13 September 2022. You have requested the following:

1. When was 4Sight Consulting Limited acquired by SLR group?
2. Will Commissioner Ashby continue to be Chair of the Panel? If not, then who will be subsequent Chair?
3. Please provide a copy of the legal advice referred to from Greater Wellington Regional Council legal counsel.
4. Please provide a copy of any other legal advice obtained.
5. Please provide the decision report that covers how the risk of potential conflict has been/is being managed, and any correspondence and meeting notes subsequent to the decision report. And any other relevant documents.

[6] We note that Council/s have discussed and agreed how to manage the conflict of interest with the applicant. However, it is the submitters who are most at risk of being adversely affected by the conflict. Please advise whether you will be consulting and seeking agreement of submitters."

Additionally, I refer to your further request dated 23 September 2022 which was received by Greater Wellington Regional Council (Greater Wellington) on 23 September 2022. You have requested the following:

7. Please provide Greater Wellington Regional Council's terms of reference for appointing the independent commissioners.

Greater Wellington's response follows:

You have requested that your request be treated with urgency and have provided the following reasons "this is a current and ongoing matter with restricted time frames, and the provision of this information is essential so all parties are treated fairly and with no partiality". Greater Wellington has assessed your request for urgency and has processed your request as soon as is reasonably practicable.

1. *When was 4Sight Consulting Limited acquired by SLR group?*

The date of settlement / completed acquisition of 4Sight was 26 August 2022. This was set out in Minute #10 as published on the Porirua Wastewater Treatment Plant notified consent application Have Your Say page.

2. *Will Commissioner Ashby continue to be Chair of the Panel? If not, then who will be subsequent Chair?*

Yes, Commissioner Ashby will continue to be Chair of the Panel;

3. *Please provide a copy of the legal advice referred to from Greater Wellington Regional Council legal counsel; and*

4. *Please provide a copy of any other legal advice obtained.*

In respect to requests 3 and 4, Greater Wellington did not receive legal advice on this matter. We are therefore refusing parts 3 and 4 of your request under section 17(g) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) on the basis that the information requested is not held by the Greater Wellington and we have no grounds for believing that the information is held by another local authority or a department of Minister of the Crown or organisation.

On the Have Your Say website it says "Greater Wellington has advised the Applicant's legal counsel of this situation, and the Applicant is comfortable that the potential for conflict can be managed". This means that we advised the Applicant's Legal Counsel of this development to check if the Applicant has concerns with this unforeseen development.

5. *Please provide the decision report that covers how the risk of potential conflict has been/is being managed, and any correspondence and meeting notes subsequent to the decision report. And any other relevant documents.*

Greater Wellington has not received any reports on managing potential conflict. We are therefore refusing this part of your request under section 17(g) of the Local Government

Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) on the basis that the information requested is not held by the Greater Wellington and we have no grounds for believing that the information is held by another local authority or a department of Minister of the Crown or organisation.

Please refer to **Attachment 1** for relevant correspondence.

- We note that Council/s have discussed and agreed how to manage the conflict of interest with the applicant. However, it is the submitters who are most at risk of being adversely affected by the conflict. Please advise whether you will be consulting and seeking agreement of submitters*

We will not be consulting and seeking agreement from submitters with regards to the decision for Commissioner Ashby to remain as the Chair of the Hearing Panel.

- Please provide Greater Wellington Regional Council's terms of reference for appointing the independent commissioners*

Please see **Attachment 2** for the completed "APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER(S) TO HEAR RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATIONS ON BEHALF OF WELLINGTON REGIONAL COUNCIL" document specific to the Porirua Wastewater Treatment Plant resource consent application. Further, please see **Attachment 3** the relevant section of the Greater Wellington delegations Manual.

If you have any concerns with the decision(s) referred to in this letter, you have the right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 27(3) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request will be published shortly on Greater Wellington's website with your personal information removed.

Nāku iti noa, nā



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Kaiwhakahaere Matua Taiao | General Manager Environment

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED] [Jude Chittock](#)
Cc: [REDACTED] [Joshua Knowles](#); [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: 4Sight / SLR
Date: Monday, 29 August 2022 8:54:55 am
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.jpg](#)
[image004.png](#)

Thanks Team

Ngā mihi

[Mark Ashby](#)

Manager Wellington, Principal Planning and Policy Consultant

Mobile: [REDACTED]

[4Sight.Consulting](#)



From: Shane Kelly [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 29 August 2022 8:09 am
To: Liz Burge [REDACTED]; Mark Ashby [REDACTED]; Jude Chittock <jude.chittock@gw.govt.nz>
Cc: Nigel Mark-Brown [REDACTED]; Joshua Knowles <joshua.knowles@gw.govt.nz>; Michael Lindgreen [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: 4Sight / SLR

Hi Mark,

Thanks for alerting us to this. I agree with Liz.

Regards

Shane

Dr Shane Kelly

Ph. [REDACTED]

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Sent: Sunday, 28 August 2022 2:43 PM
To: Mark Ashby [REDACTED]; Jude Chittock <jude.chittock@gw.govt.nz>
Cc: Nigel Mark-Brown [REDACTED]; Shane Kelly [REDACTED]; Joshua Knowles <joshua.knowles@gw.govt.nz>; Michael Lindgreen [REDACTED]
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Kia ora Mark

Thanks for your email - I appreciate you letting us know of your changed work situation.

I agree with the actions that you have detailed in the bullet points **below**; it certainly seems like a sensible and fair way forward to manage this situation and like you indicate the earlier the better to ensure that it is publicised to all parties.

Liz

From: Mark Ashby [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 26 August 2022 4:44 p.m.
To: Jude Chittock <jude.chittock@gw.govt.nz>
Cc: Liz Burge [REDACTED]; Nigel Mark-Brown [REDACTED]; Shane Kelly [REDACTED]; Joshua Knowles <joshua.knowles@gw.govt.nz>; Michael Lindgreen [REDACTED]
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Dear Jude, Josh, and fellow commissioners

Yesterday it was finalised that 4Sight has joined the international SLR consulting group of companies. We are taking the opportunity to inform key contacts, as opposed to you hearing about it from any other source. More communications are likely in due course.

SLR has three offices in NZ, with one of those being in Wellington. Dr Claire Conwell, who has provided expert advice / evidence to the regional council in the Porirua Wastewater Treatment Plant hearing, is an SLR Wellington team member.

In effect, Dr Conwell and I are now colleagues, although the 4Sight and SLR offices remain physically separate for now.

I was unaware of the potential for this outcome when I took on the role of Commissioner / Chair for the PWWTP hearing. I became aware of it on 22 July but, for obvious commercial reasons, have been unable to let you know until today.

The new circumstances of SLR/4Sight have the potential to be seen as a conflict of interest, in that I could be assumed to favour the evidence of Dr Conwell over that of other persons. I propose the following actions to avoid or minimise the perception of potential bias:

- GWRC to immediately inform the Applicant's legal counsel of the circumstances
- After consulting with the Applicant, GWRC to upload a suitable statement to the application webpage (with wording to be agreed between GWRC, the Applicant and myself)
- In deliberations and decision writing, the panel to ensure that I do not play a determinative part in discussions / decision making / writing where the evidence of Dr Conwell is a key factor
- The decision report to include a suitable statement that covers the matters outlined above

Jude – thanks for our phone call earlier today about these matters.

Please let me know if you agree with those actions, or if you have other suggestions. With the news now out in the public domain, it is important that the Council and panel's management of the issue is settled and appropriately publicised.

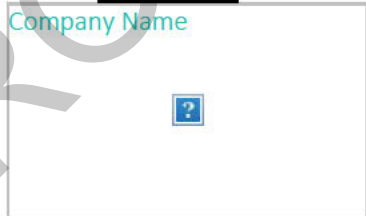
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PROACTIVE RELEASE

From: [Shaun Andrewartha](#)
To: [Jude Chittock](#)
Subject: RE: 4Sight / SLR: draft webpage statement for review
Date: Tuesday, 30 August 2022 12:11:04 pm
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)

Looks good to me. Well managed!

From: Jude Chittock <Jude.Chittock@gw.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 30 August 2022 9:26 am
To: Shaun Andrewartha <Shaun.Andrewartha@gw.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: 4Sight / SLR: draft webpage statement for review

Hi Shaun
Are you happy with this statement?

I am just checking the scope of Claires expertise in this consent is covered by what Mark has said below... Otherwise im happy and agree with the proposed approach

Cheers
Jude

From: Mark Ashby [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 29 August 2022 5:56 pm
To: Jude Chittock <Jude.Chittock@gw.govt.nz>
Cc: Shane Kelly [REDACTED]; Nigel Mark-Brown [REDACTED]; Elizabeth Burge [REDACTED]
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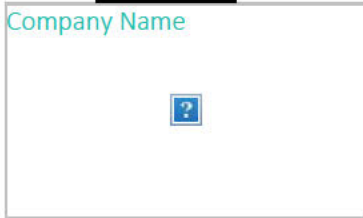
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Cc: [REDACTED]; [Joshua Knowles](#)
Subject: RE: WGN200229: Draft statement for webpage - potential conflict of interest re hearing commissioner [KS-KSNational.FID408944]
Date: Wednesday, 31 August 2022 12:46:10 pm
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.jpg](#)
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That seems sensible to me – it will be well covered off then.

Liz

From: Mark Ashby [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 31 August 2022 12:44 p.m.
To: Shane Kelly [REDACTED]; Jude Chittock <Jude.Chittock@gw.govt.nz>
Cc: Elizabeth Burge [REDACTED]; [REDACTED] Joshua Knowles <Joshua.Knowles@gw.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: WGN200229: Draft statement for webpage - potential conflict of interest re hearing commissioner [KS-KSNational.FID408944]

Thanks Shane

I agree.

Perhaps it would be a good thing to include in the statement, regardless of the fact that it won't physically possible for either of us to directly access each other's relevant folders until next year.

Ngā mihi

Mark Ashby

Manager Wellington, Principal Planning and Policy Consultant

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Subject: RE: WGN200229: Draft statement for webpage - potential conflict of interest re hearing commissioner [KS-KSNational.FID408944]

Hi Mark,

I'm happy with the suggested amendment – noting that you also don't see a problem with locking folders if it is necessary.

Cheers

Shane

Dr Shane Kelly

Ph. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Joshua Knowles

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Subject: RE: WGN200229: Draft statement for webpage - potential conflict of interest re hearing commissioner [KS-KSNational.FID408944]

Hi everybody

I foresee no risk in that regard.

SLR and 4Sight project folders will not be integrated and visible across the company until approximately end of Q1 next year. So there is no particular need to lock folders, although it can certainly be easily done.

Ngā mihi

Mark Ashby

Manager Wellington, Principal Planning and Policy Consultant

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From: Jude Chittock <Jude.Chittock@gw.govt.nz>

Sent: Wednesday, 31 August 2022 10:06 am

To: Mark Ashby [REDACTED]

Cc: Shane Kelly [REDACTED]; Elizabeth Burge

[REDACTED] Joshua Knowles

<Joshua.Knowles@gw.govt.nz>

Subject: FW: WGN200229: Draft statement for webpage - potential conflict of interest re hearing commissioner [KS-KSNational.FID408944]

Hi Mark

The applicant has come back to us (see email below). Is it possible to put information barriers in place when SLR and 4Sight start sharing systems? Or will they remain separate?

I spoke to Tim Baker at SLR earlier this week, and he said it is still early stages but agreed there would be ways to lock access to Claires files for example if needed.

Can you please confirm if you agree to the updated statement wording?

Thanks

Jude

From: Hudspith, Ezekiel [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, 31 August 2022 9:30 am

To: Jude Chittock <Jude.Chittock@gw.govt.nz>

Subject: FW: WGN200229: Draft statement for webpage - potential conflict of interest re hearing commissioner [KS-KSNational.FID408944]

Hi Jude

Thanks for this, and your call the other day. I've now received feedback on this from Wellington Water and they are also comfortable in the circumstances. Can we just add something about information barriers (or equivalent measures) as mentioned over the phone (suggested text **highlighted** below); it is how we would handle it as lawyers if involved for more than one party in something. Let me know if that is problematic/not straightforward. If they don't even have access to the same systems then it could simply record that instead.

Kind regards,

Zeke



Ezekiel Hudspith
Partner

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From: Jude Chittock <Jude.Chittock@gw.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 30 August 2022 11:21 a.m.

To: Hudspith, Ezekiel [REDACTED]

Cc: Shaun Andrewartha <Shaun.Andrewartha@gw.govt.nz>; Joshua Knowles <Joshua.Knowles@gw.govt.nz>

Subject: WGN200229: Draft statement for webpage

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Hi Zeke

As discussed yesterday, please see the draft statement below outlining the situation and proposed approach. Please discuss this issue with the applicant and let me know if they agree with the approach and statement wording.

Thanks

Jude

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The approach to conflict management, and the above statement, has been discussed and agreed with the Applicant.”

Ngā mihi

Jude

makaurangi



Jude Chittock

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Subject: can you please remove the notice from the website??
Date: Wednesday, 31 August 2022 2:30:28 pm
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Importance: High

Hi Jude / Josh

Can you please remove the conflict notice from the website, until later this week.

Ngā mihi

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From: [Jude Chittock](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [Michelle Conland](#)
Subject: FW: Update to Have Your Say Page
Date: Wednesday, 31 August 2022 2:09:00 pm
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Hi Tim

As discussed yesterday, a statement has been prepared and uploaded to our website outlining the situation with SLR/4Sight and how this will be managed to ensure Commissioner Ashby can remain independent.

Let me know if you have any questions or comments

Thanks
Jude

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Kia ora,

Please be aware that a new action '**4Sight Consulting Limited acquired by SLR Group**' has been added to the 'Recent Actions' table on the Porirua Wastewater Treatment Plant notified consent application Have Your Say Page.

Find more details here <https://haveyoursay.gw.govt.nz/poriruawwtp>

Ngā mihi



Josh Knowles (he/ him)

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Subject: Re: Update to Have Your Say Page
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Hi Jude

The acquisition has not been publicly announced yet, would it be possible to removed the statement until next Tuesday please?

Thanks
Tim

Sent from my iPhone

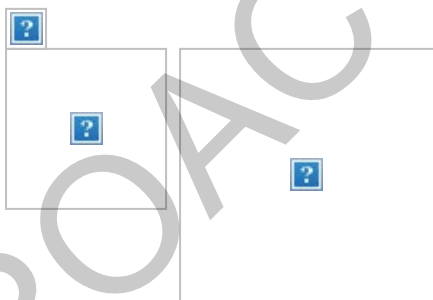


Tim Baker

Principal Consultant - Water Resources
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To: [REDACTED] [Jude Chittock](#)
Cc: [REDACTED] [Joshua Knowles](#)
Subject: Re: WGN200229: Draft statement for webpage - potential conflict of interest re hearing commissioner [KS-KSNational.FID408944]
Date: Wednesday, 31 August 2022 2:35:13 pm
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)

Sounds fine to me

Regards

Nigel

On 31/08/2022 12:17 pm, Mark Ashby wrote:

Hi everybody

I foresee no risk in that regard.

SLR and 4Sight project folders will not be integrated and visible across the company until approximately end of Q1 next year. So there is no particular need to lock folders, although it can certainly be easily done.

Ngā mihi

Mark Ashby

Manager Wellington, Principal Planning and Policy Consultant

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From: Jude Chittock <jude.Chittock@gw.govt.nz>

Sent: Wednesday, 31 August 2022 10:06 am

To: Mark Ashby [REDACTED]

Cc: Shane Kelly [REDACTED]; Elizabeth Burge

[REDACTED]; [REDACTED] Joshua Knowles

<Joshua.Knowles@gw.govt.nz>

Subject: FW: WGN200229: Draft statement for webpage - potential conflict of interest re hearing commissioner [KS-KSNational.FID408944]

Hi Mark

The applicant has come back to us (see email below). Is it possible to put information barriers in place when SLR and 4Sight start sharing systems? Or will

they remain separate?

I spoke to Tim Baker at SLR earlier this week, and he said it is still early stages but agreed there would be ways to lock access to Claires files for example if needed.

Can you please confirm if you agree to the updated statement wording?

Thanks
Jude

From: Hudspith, Ezekiel [REDACTED] >
Sent: Wednesday, 31 August 2022 9:30 am
To: Jude Chittock <Jude.Chittock@gw.govt.nz>
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Zeke



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Sent: Tuesday, 30 August 2022 11:21 a.m.

To: Hudspith, Ezekiel [REDACTED]

Cc: Shaun Andrewartha <Shaun.Andrewartha@gw.govt.nz>; Joshua Knowles <Joshua.Knowles@gw.govt.nz>

Subject: WGN200229: Draft statement for webpage

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Jude

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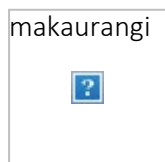
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Ngā mihi

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From: [Joshua Knowles](#)

Bcc:

[Redacted]

Subject: Update to Have Your Say Page

Date: Wednesday, 31 August 2022 2:05:00 pm

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Kia ora,

Please be aware that a new action '**4Sight Consulting Limited acquired by SLR Group**' has been added to the 'Recent Actions' table on the Porirua Wastewater Treatment Plant notified consent application Have Your Say Page.

Find more details here <https://haveyoursay.gw.govt.nz/poriruawwtp>

Ngā mihi



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Date: Wednesday, 31 August 2022 9:57:00 am
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Hi Zeke

Good point thank you for adding that in. I spoke to Tim Baker at SLR about this and he said they are a way off having access to each others filing systems (and will be in separate offices for a while) but he agreed to ensure barriers are put in place to prevent Commissioner Ashby and Dr Conwells work on this consent being visible to each other.

I'll confirm the new statement wording with the hearing panel and let you know before it goes live.

Cheers
Jude

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Subject: RE: SLR statement
Date: Thursday, 1 September 2022 9:27:00 am
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[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)

Josh – not your problem at all.

Totally on my head but all good at the end of the day.

Ngā mihi

[Mark Ashby](#)

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From: Joshua Knowles <Joshua.Knowles@gw.govt.nz>
Sent: Thursday, 1 September 2022 9:23 am
To: Mark Ashby [REDACTED]; Jude Chittock <Jude.Chittock@gw.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: SLR statement

Thanks Mark,

Sorry for the mix up there.

Ngā mihi



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Sent: Thursday, 1 September 2022 8:53 am

To: Jude Chittock <Jude.Chittock@gw.govt.nz>; Joshua Knowles <Joshua.Knowles@gw.govt.nz>

Subject: SLR statement

Hi there

No need for any further action on this. We are happy to let it stand as is.

Ngā mihi

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12 April 2022
File WGN200229

APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER(S) TO HEAR RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATIONS ON BEHALF OF WELLINGTON REGIONAL COUNCIL

Application to the Wellington Regional Council: WGN200229 [36816] and [36727]

Pursuant to section 34A of the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act), the General Manager, Environment Management under authority delegated by the Wellington Regional Council, and in consultation with the Chair of the Environment Committee and Council Chair, appoints the following Commissioner(s) in relation to the discharge of contaminants to the coastal marine area and to air associated with the operation of the Porirua Wastewater Treatment Plant:

Independent Commissioner - Mark Ashby (Chair)
Independent Commissioner – Elizabeth Burge
Independent Commissioner – Dr Shane Kelly
Independent Commissioner – Nigel Mark Brown

In the unlikely case of a split decision the Chair has the casting vote.



General Manager, Environment Management
Greater Wellington Regional Council

Date: 12 April 2022

Delegation

Council has delegated the following powers to a commissioner or panel of commissioners appointed to determine a particular matter:

All of the powers, functions and duties of the Council under the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act) to:

- Hear, consider and make decisions on any application for a resource consent under the Act, including the determination of any preliminary matters and matters necessary for the conduct of the hearing
- Hear and determine a review of a resource consent
- Hear and determine an application to change or cancel conditions of a consent
- Hear and determine an objection made under the Act
- Hear and determine coastal activity applications.

Explanatory note: The above delegations encompass the following:

- Directions to provide evidence within time limits under section 41B
- Directions and requests before or at hearings under section 41C
- Strike out submissions under section 41D
- Defer the notification or hearing of an application for resource consent (section 91)
- Decide whether to publicly or limited notify an application for resource consent or change or cancellation of conditions (sections 95, 95A, 95B, 95D, 95F, 95G, and 127)
- Arrange pre-hearing meetings and decide whether to decline to process a person's application or consider a person's submission if they fail to attend a pre-hearing meeting (section 99)
- Refer an applicant for resource consent to mediation (section 99A)
- Conduct a mediation (section 99A)
- Determine that a hearing of an application is necessary (section 100)
- Hear and decide a notified or non-notified application for resource consent, change of conditions, cancellation of consent including anything required for the purpose of processing the application and conducting the hearing (sections 104 to 108AA)
- Fix a commencement date and time, and the place, of a hearing (section 101)
- Determine that applications to two or more consent authorities for the same proposal are sufficiently unrelated that a joint hearing is unnecessary (section 102)
- Determine that applications for resource consents for the same proposal are sufficiently unrelated so that it is unnecessary for GWRC to hear the applications together (section 103)
- Decline an application for a resource consent on the grounds that it has inadequate information to decide the application (section 104(6))
- Determine a restricted coastal activity and determine conditions (section 117(1))
- Determine an application for extension of the lapse date of a consent (section 125)
- Make decisions on a review of resource consent conditions (section 132)
- Approve the transfer of a water permit in whole or in part to another person on another site or to another site (section 136)
- Approve the transfer of a discharge permit in whole or in part to another site and to any person (section 137)
- Determine a request for a certificate of compliance (section 139)
- Determine a request for an existing use certificate (section 139A)
- Hear and determine an objection made under sections 357, 357A and 357B.

11. Delegation to commissioners appointed by the Chief Executive or General Manager Environment Management

On 24 May 2017 (see Report 17.77) the Council delegated the following powers to a commissioner or panel of commissioners appointed by either the Chief Executive or the General Manager Environment Management to determine a particular matter, all of the powers, functions and duties of the Council under the Resource Management Act to:

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