

Horizons Regional Council
Winstone Pulp International Discharge Consent Reconsenting
Hearing Panel Minute 1

1. Horizons Regional Council has appointed Trevor Robinson (Barrister), Dr Greg Ryder (Environmental Scientist) and Miria Pomare (Independent Commissioner) to hear and determine the application made by Winstone Pulp International Limited for replacement treated waste and stormwater discharge consents (APP-2006012018.02). Commissioner Robinson is the Chair of the Panel.
2. Hearing of the applications will be scheduled for 20- 23 April 2026 in Winstone Pulp International's conference rooms, State Highway 49, Tangiwai. The first morning will likely be occupied by a site visit, with the hearing commencing at 1pm. Wednesday 23 April will probably not be required but is available as a back-up if required. A Notice of Hearing will be issued in due course to formalise these arrangements.
3. To facilitate the hearing, the Panel has fixed the following procedural steps:
 - a. Council Reporting Officer (section 42A) report and any supporting expert evidence to be filed with the Hearing Administrator: **3pm on 26 March 2026**;
 - b. Applicant Evidence to be filed with the Hearing Administrator: **3pm on 2 April 2026**;
 - c. Submitter Expert Evidence to be filed with the Hearing Administrator: **3pm on 10 April 2026**;
 - d. Applicant's Legal Submissions to be filed with the Hearing Administrator: **3pm on 17 April 2026**.
4. Submitters are requested to advise the Hearing Administrator, Ms Shelley Gunning (shelley.gunning@horizons.govt.nz or 021 22778871) if they wish to be heard by close of **13 March 2026**.
5. The Panel notes that the Applicant has indicated that there may be changes to its application. The Panel is expecting that the Applicant will provide clarification by way of memorandum shortly and it will be circulated to submitters as soon as it is available.
6. Please contact Ms Gunning if you have any queries about the process as required.



Trevor Robinson (Hearing Panel Chair)