

## Appendix 1 – Commissioners with 'Making good decisions' certification

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1. ALAN WATSON  Areas of expertise - Plan changes; plan and policy statement reviews; road and rail designations; port dredging, reclamations and port works; coastal sand mining; sewage discharges to coastal environs; restricted coastal activities; marina developments; coastal waters classifications; māna whenua issues; distribution of poison for the purposes of both fauna and flora control in the coastal marine area; prison requirement; commercial/retail; recreational facilities; landfills; mining and quarrying; residential, rural and coastal subdivision and development; and, a variety of land use and subdivision applications	Alan is a hearings commissioner with experience over 20 years with some 30 councils: being district, regional and unitary councils, including working as a sole commissioner, and with other independent commissioners and councillors. This includes assistance to Far North District Council over some time based largely on experience from earlier residing in Whangarei and carrying out planning work throughout Northland, including planning services at times to the Council. That Commissioner assistance has been essentially when the Council and officers have considered the need for particular experience.  Knowledge, skills and experience includes for example, planning/resource management; experience in mana whenua considerations for work in Gisborne, Northland and Auckland; rural and coastal considerations; and hearing processes. Has assisted in the presentation of the 'Making Good Decisions' programme and prior to being appointed to the independent hearings panel for the Auckland Unitary Plan, acted as a mediator in limiting the contested issues to be put before that panel.  Wide ranging experience with advising private clients and councils on all aspects of plan preparation and administration; consideration of resource consent applications and environmental assessments for development and subdivision proposals; and expert evidence at local authority, Environment Court, High Court and Arbitration Court proceedings. Experience with planning documents in their various forms and in evaluating plans and policy documents in advising either private sector or public sector clients.  Experience in a large multi-disciplinary company providing input from various professional disciplines to environmental projects including for example, marina developments and telecommunication networks Appointment to Covid Recovery expert consenting panel.	30 -06-23 (including chairing endorsement)	Auckland
ANDREW HENDERSON     (JACOBS NEW ZEALAND)  Areas of expertise -	Andrew is a planner with over 25 years' experience with the full range of resource management processes. His experience includes working for regional and district councils and in private consultancy.  He has comprehensive technical knowledge in statutory planning and can apply this knowledge to a wide range	30 -06-24 (including chairing	Christchurch

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Stakeholder engagement; iwi consultation; statutory planning, including effects assessments; policy development; training/mentoring; expert witness; hearing commissioner	of projects, from project inception and optioneering through to the approval stage. Andrew understands the importance of and is committed to liaison and communication with stakeholder groups and clients, developing and maintaining communication channels between the public and decision makers.  Andrew is experienced in navigating district and regional plan policy across New Zealand. Councils regularly call upon him because of his vast knowledge across all resource management processes, including district and regional consenting, plan preparations and review. Andrew regularly draws on his undergraduate studies in Māori and experience in working with iwi authorities to provide advice to clients and project teams relating to Māori values and engagement with iwi.  Andrew is an experienced expert witness, having given evidence at district and regional council hearings, and in the Environment Court, on many occasions, with a depth of experience in the Queenstown Lakes District since 2001. He regularly acts as a commissioner for a range of local authorities.  Andrew has managed planning teams, and personally processed resource consents for many councils. These consents have been successfully processed under district, regional, operative and proposed district and regional plans. One of Andrew's key functions is to maintain communications with the client to ensure on time delivery.	endorsement)	
3. ANDREW WILKINSON (SCOTT WILKINSON PLANNING)  Areas of expertise - Knowledge of consent authorities' functions under the Resource Management Act 1991, planning and resource management, hearing processes, resource consents, alternative dispute resolution, policy planning, regional planning, coastal planning. water quality, water takes, rural planning	Andrew has 22 years' experience. Although he has yet to have the opportunity to be involved as a hearings commissioner/panel member or chairperson, he has considerable experience in the drafting of planning reports, reviewing recommendations and decisions, and attending notified resource consent hearings, mediations and the Environment Court as an expert witness. Understands the importance as a hearing commissioner/chair of ensuring directions, recommendations and decisions are clear, concise and consider all relevant matters within the current relevant legislative parameters.	31-12-26 (including chairing endorsement)	Auckland
4. ANNA CURNOW  Areas of expertise -  Deputy mayor Kaipara District  Council	Anna is a Kaipara District Councillor. With only one hearing attended working with commissioners Greg Hill and David Hill, it was however a plan change significantly changing the urban character of Mangawhai with a combination of residential, commercial, industrial and recreational development being permitted under the plan change. The NPS Urban Development 2020 was a key factor in the decision.  Anna has also been involved in reviewing and accepting plan changes, briefings and recommendations for each	31-12-25 (certified as a councillor)	Northland

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Committees  Mangawhai Community Park Governance Committee (Chair) Audit, Risk & Finance Remuneration and Development Committee Kaipara Horizons Committee Raupo Drainage Committee Awards and Grants Committee (2nd half of term)	section of the comprehensive review of District Plan that is at the exposure draft phase  Anna has been an elected member at Kaipara District Council for the past two terms, the last term as Deputy Mayor. Anna is leaving the politics but seeks to stay involved with local government and the resource management sector is of real interest.  Listed areas of resource management experience: hearing panel member, NPS Urban Development 2020, plan changes, biodiversity and ecology issues, transport and traffic, housing density, infrastructure requirements, urban and landscape design, amenity values, economic sustainability, and medium and low density subdivision.		
5. BILL SMITH  Areas of expertise —  Hearings Commissioner (as sole commissioner and as a panel member) on resource consents, plan changes, private plan changes and designations and objections to conditions and fees	For the past 15 years (since 2007) Bill has been employed as an independent hearings commissioner and has worked for a number of Council's (Auckland Regional, Rodney District, Auckland, Northland Regional, Far North District, Kaipara District and Whangarei District Council's) to sit as either chair or member on resource consents and plan changes (also private plan changes) panels and has also sat and dealt with objections to conditions and costs. Panels normally consist of two or three members but there are occasions where Bill has sat as sole commissioner, heard all the evidence, made a decision and written the decision in accordance with the statutory requirements/procedures. Bill has also sat as a member on an EPA application. Bill has also sat on panels with elected members.  Bill has been involved in hearings evaluating evidence from various experts and has experience from hearings involving tikanga Māori, coastal development, engineering and landscaping and one hearing (lasting about 3 weeks) which involved all of these issues involved development on Māori owned land at Te Arai, near Mangawhai.	30-06-23 (including chairing endorsement)	Auckland
6. DEREK TODD (JACOBS NEW ZEALAND)  Areas of expertise —  Coastal hazards and processes, coastal planning and management, coastal adaptation,	Derek is a coastal geomorphologist with over thirty-five years' experience in managing coastal resources, monitoring and investigating coastal processes and hazards, and assessing the potential future changes in coastline and river mouth stability. This experience includes time working in consultancy, local and central Government, and universities in both New Zealand and Australia. Derek's professional career started in 1984 in New Zealand local government before moving into consulting 1996 and starting his own specialised coastal consultancy, DTec Consulting Ltd, in 1999.	31-12-24	Christchurch

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coastal protection, coastal monitoring and mapping river mouth processes, environment education	Over a 12-year period, as the principal consultant for DTec, Derek worked on coastal projects throughout New Zealand for a wide range of clients including regional and territorial councils, port companies, private companies and engineering and planning consultancy practices. Over this period Derek was also contracted to the geography department of the University of Canterbury to facilitate and deliver a practical post graduate course in resource management, and as a guest lecturer on coastal hazards and coastal management. He also acted as an expert witness at a number of Environment Court hearings and as a certified resource management consent hearings commissioner at consent hearings of a coastal nature.  In 2011, Derek relocated to Australia to work as a Principal Coastal Scientist for the Queensland Government Department of Environment and Resource Management before switching in 2013 to a role of Senior Research Assistant at the Griffith University Centre for Coastal Management. This role involved running various research and planning projects relating to coastal management of Gold Coast beaches.  In 2016, Derek returned to New Zealand and joined Jacobs in his current role, being involved in a number of coastal resource management and hazard adaptation and management projects for a range of local government and industry clients throughout New Zealand, Australia and the Pacific.  independent hearing commissioner in two coastal hearings in the Tasman District in 2009-2010.  Expert technical witness in numerous Environment Court and resource consent hearings.  Taught a post graduate resource management course for environmental scientists at University of Canterbury for 10 years. The majority of Derek's technical work is in the field of coastal hazards, mitigation and adaptation, which involves coastal communities across many different Districts and with District Councils.  Derek is currently involved in projects recommending Coastal Hazard Plan Changes for Christchurch City and	certeapily	Escation
7. FRASER CAMPBELL (CAMPBELL CONSULTING)  Areas of expertise — Environmental engineering, resource management and development contributions commissioner, contract and project management, valuation and economic analysis, management of infrastructural assets, stormwater and river	<ul> <li>Kapiti Coast District Council.</li> <li>Local work includes, but not limited to –</li> <li>Rangitane River Park in Kerikeri Northland - resource consent applications of a 124-lot rural residential subdivision and associated land use activities. Member of a two-commissioner panel. June -July 2022.</li> <li>Kerikeri Land Ltd application for a new Retirement Village in Kerikeri Northland on behalf of Arvida Ltd. For Stage 1 construction covering earthworks, stormwater discharge and servicing. October 2020.</li> <li>Kerikeri Land Ltd application for a new Retirement Village in Kerikeri Northland on behalf of Arvida Ltd. For Enabling Works and Stage 1 construction covering earthworks, stormwater discharge and servicing. October 2019.</li> <li>North Star Ltd application for Stage 1 of a Retirement Village at Coopers Beach Northland covering lot sizing, earthworks, stormwater discharge and servicing. October 2019</li> <li>Whangatane Spillway Upgrade consent applications decisions for FNDC and NRC. Fraser's specific focus as a water resources engineer.</li> </ul>	31-12-22	Whangarei

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management, irrigation and water resource allocation	<ul> <li>Kerikeri Flood Protection Scheme consent application decisions for FNDC and NRC. Fraser's specific focus as a water resources and stormwater/flood protection engineer/</li> <li>Notice of Requirement by the Minister of Education for the establishment of a new School in the Hokianga for the Far North District Council. Fraser's specific focus as a water supply and wastewater engineer.</li> <li>Kaeo Flood Protection Scheme consent applications for Northland Regional Council and Far North District Council. Fraser's specific focus as a water resources and flood protection engineer.</li> <li>Land Use, Coastal and Discharge Permit application decisions for a residential dwelling in the Bay of Islands for Northland Regional Council and Far North District Council. Fraser's specific focus as a wastewater and flood hazard engineer/</li> <li>Managed and contributed to a range of public and iwi consultation programmes associated with resource management requirements.</li> <li>Prepared resource management planning reports for non-notified consent applications relating to earthworks for subdivisional developments.</li> <li>Project management/contract management, strategic and asset management planning, and financial/economic analysis and valuation for Far North District Council.</li> </ul>		
8. JUDITH MAKINSON (CKL)  Areas of expertise —  Transport master planning, integrated transportation and parking Assessments, expert witness, development feasibilty	Judith has no experience of plan change or district plan review hearings from a commissioner perspective but has prepared evidence for a number of these as an expert witness. Has been a commissioner for two hearings for significant projects these being the Te Ahu a Turangi Manawatu Gorge SH3 replacement project and also recently the Kiwirail hub notice of requirement at Bunnythorpe.  Judith is CKL's transportation engineering manager and has a strong technical background in development projects for private sector clients. She has over 20 years' experience in preparing integrated transportation assessments, travel plans and feasibility studies for developments as well as developing transport masterplans for both the public and private sector. Judith is also an experienced project manager, leading a range of projects with multidisciplinary engineering inputs, placing a strong focus on client risk and project commerciality. She regularly acts an as expert witness and is also developing her skills as an independent hearings commissioner	30-06-23	Hamilton
9. KIM HARDY (AECOM NZ)  Areas of expertise —  Regional and district consents, infrastructure, commercial and residential development, resource use and allocation including water, plan changes, designations	Currently appointed to Auckland Council's independent hearings panel as independent commissioner and chair. Also appointed to Taupo District Council Hearing and Far North District Council Panels. Experienced independent commissioner and chairperson on broad range of district and regional resource management matters including resource consents, plan changes, notices of requirement and designations (public and private plan changes and master planning, new state highways and local roads, high density and multi-use residential developments, infill housing, rural and urban subdivisions, commercial activities and land developments, quarries, landfills, non-residential activities in residential neigbourhoods, new commercial centres, greenfield subdivision and development, rural land use and development, industrial activities including discharge, rural production activities	30-06-27 (including chairing endorsement)	Auckland

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10. KITT LITTLEJOHN  Areas of expertise — Resource management and planning law and procedure; resource consents (district and regional); land-use, urban and natural environment planning (plan changes; variations); designations; coastal; section 357 objections	Kitt is a barrister who has been engaged on an as required basis to provide independent commissioner services to Far North District Council for about 10 years. This has involved conducting public hearings into notices of requirement and resource consents, as well as various section 357 objection matters.  Kitt has been on the Auckland Council panel of independent commissioners since 2008 and have conducted hearings in relation to all RMA processes for the Council over the past 14 years.  Kitt has conducted over 100 hearings and is currently a member of the hearing panels considering the New Plymouth Proposed District Plan and Auckland Council's intensification plan changes to the Auckland Unitary Plan.	30-06-24 (including chairing endorsement)	Auckland
11. MARK FARNSWORTH (FARNSWORTH MANAGEMENT SERVICES)  Areas of expertise — District and regional plan hearings; plan change hearings; joint hearings between the local district councils and the regional council; subdivision applications; coastal activities; designations (Notices of Requirement) and applications for major new projects	Mark is the principal partner of Farnsworth Management Services, a Mangawhai based partnership providing; independent hearing commissioner services; specialist Resource Management Act (RMA) policy advice and RMA hearing training.  Mark has worked with the Resource Management Act since its implementation in 1991. He has 41 years of hands-on experience of working with local government, having served as an elected councillor for 23 years (a 9-year term as the chair of the Northland Regional Council).  Mark has chaired, been a member of panels; drafted written decisions and contributed to the drafting of written decisions. Mark is heavily involved in the Making Good Decisions Programme for RMA decisions makers as a trainer, tutor and as the national assessment marker.  Mark is on the active Hearing Commissioners' list for: Auckland Council; Bay of Plenty Regional Council; Christchurch City; Gisborne District Council; Hamilton City; Hawkes Bay Regional Council; Kaipara District Council; Whangarei District Council and Waikato Regional Council. Mark was appointed to Auckland Council's list of Independent Hearing Commissioners in 2011 for his RMA expertise and his understanding of Te Ao Māori and Mātauranga Māori. Mark has made over 500 notification decisions (including any applying s104 decisions) for Auckland Council as one of the Council's 14 Duty Commissioners.  Mark has a long (40+ years), and close, working relationship with Te Uri O Hau, advising and mentoring them on RMA matters. Mark currently chairs two Ahu Whenua Trusts (2F and Tapu Bush). Mark has also been actively involved in the training, and mentoring, of Māori who would like to become RMA hearing commissioners.  Over the past 12 months Mark has been almost fully engaged in 11 private plan changes for Auckland Council. Three of these private plan changes (PPCs 48, 49 & 50) are for a new urban centre in South Drury the size of Rotorua. At the same time Mark has also been contracted to the Ministry for the Environment and the Bay of Plenty Regional Counci	30-06-23 (including chairing endorsement)	Mangawhai

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12. MARK GEDDES (PERSPECTIVE CONSULTING LTD)	Having worked for over 21 years in resource management planning, in three different countries in both the private and public sectors, Mark has significant experience in all forms of resource management planning.	31-12-24	Timaru
Areas of expertise — Planning, resource management and heritage protection, law, local government, local affairs, matters relating to Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi and kaupapa Māori, indigenous biodiversity, rural and coastal communities, environmental science, including the physical and social sciences	Mark has worked extensively with local authorities, elected members, central government officials, private developers, iwi and community groups, and routinely leads and coordinates multi-disciplinary professional teams. He is an experienced policy and consenting planner that thrives in finding solutions to complex problems. Having led the Timaru District Plan review from its inception, Mark is passionate about plan making.  He has vast experience in public and stakeholder consultation and has proven experience collaborating with stakeholders to achieve positive results. He has a strong commitment to Te Ao Māori. Mark has also provided strong effective leadership having chaired several local and regional groups and taking part in two national resource management panels.  Mark has extensive experience leading a range of policy and strategy projects. Notably this included leading the Timaru District Plan Review for several years, which is a multi-year, \$7-10 million project that includes over 50 different chapters. Mark has been the author of multiple District Plan Chapters, peer reviewer of multiple district plan chapters and also led several plan changes, taken part in regional policy development and appeared in the		
	Environment Court as an expert witness in relation to plan changes. Mark led the Timaru District Growth Management Strategy and the Timaru Town Centre Study.		
13. NICKI WILLIAMS (MITCHELL DAYSH)  Areas of expertise -  Community and stakeholder facilitation and engagement Local government policy  Plan development	Nicki has 30 years' experience working as a manager and in a range of environmental planning fields including stakeholder engagement, preparing project plans, assessment of environmental effects and providing policy analysis and advice. She has a well-developed understanding of resource management issues, strong report writing skills and is a team member. She has a background working with iwi, stakeholders, and community groups in a range of local government processes and projects. Nicki is also a process and meeting facilitator with a focus on co-ordinating community-based option assessment processes for planning issues.  Currently a hearings commissioner and duty commissioner for Auckland Council. Recent experience in relation to plan changes with Auckland Council includes being a Hearing Panel member on PC 60 - Open Space and Other	30 -06-26 (including chairing endorsement)	Auckland
Resource consent preparation and processing	Rezoning.  Recently a panel member on Plan Change 18 Plimmerton Farm. Plan Change 18 sought to rezone an area of Rural zoned land to a new Plimmerton Farm Zone. The new zone intended to provide for urban development, including housing, a retirement village, a commercial area, water sensitive design to protect sensitive receiving waters and		

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	protection and augmentation of Significant Natural Areas, including wetlands that form part of the Taupō Swamp complex.  Also assisted Tasman District Council with Plan Change 74: Rezoning of Special Housing Areas. This plan change proposed to rezone five areas within Richmond and Pohara to an appropriate zone in line with the approved and consented land uses through the Housing Accord and Special Housing Areas Act 2012 ('HASHAA') for residential development. Role was as the consultant in the preparation of the proposed plan change, and the s32 and s42a report author.		
14. PAUL ROGERS (ADDERLEY HEAD ENVIRONMENTAL LAW SPECIALISTS)  Areas of expertise — Independent Hearings Commissioner Obtaining Resource Consents Plan Changes Residential Land Development Water Issues Wand Farms Quarrying and Mining Issues Local and Territorial Authority Advice	Paul is a specialist resource management lawyer. He has worked exclusively in this area since approximately	30-06-23 (including chairing endorsement)	Christchurch
15. PHIL MITCHELL (MITCHELL DAYSH LTD)  Areas of expertise - Energy generation and transmission; oil and gas; urban	Dr Mitchell has wide ranging experience in providing strategic environmental advice to both the private and public sectors and has an in-depth knowledge of New Zealand's environmental legislation and its implementation. Dr Mitchell is a Full Member of the New Zealand Planning Institute and was awarded the Institute's Distinguished Service Award in 2015. He is also a Past-President of the Resource Management Law Association, the first, and one of two, non-lawyers elected to that role. He specialises in the strategic planning	30-06-24 (including chairing endorsement)	Auckland

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development; mining; water supply and disposal; national scale industrial developments; meat and dairy processing; large scale retirement village developments; ports; and strategic environmental planning	and management of consent acquisition for significant development projects and is currently advising many of the country's leading enterprises. Dr Mitchell is also an experienced and skilled expert witness. He has acted as a hearings commissioner and hearings chair on some 100 occasions, and his experience encompasses all aspects of resource management for both regional and territorial authorities. He is accredited in those roles and brings his depth of experience to the decision-making process.  Most recently, Dr Mitchell has chaired the hearings on the proposed Waikato District Plan. Of note also, is that he was appointed as a mediator/facilitator for the hearings into the Auckland Unitary Plan and was appointed jointly by the Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery and the Christchurch City Council as a hearings commissioner for the replacement Christchurch City District Plan. He is a skilled facilitator who has considerable experience in establishing and managing consultation processes aimed at eliminating conflict and developing constructive working relationships, including with mana whenua, and has acted for Auckland's Independent Māori Statutory Board on numerous occasions. Dr Mitchell has been a member of two of the Government's Resource Management Act Technical Advisory Groups, the more recent of which was to recommend amendments to sections 6 and 7 of the Resource Management Act 1991.		
16. ROB VAN VOORTHUYSEN (VAN VOORTHUYSEN ENVIRONMENTAL LIMITED)  Areas of expertise - All aspects of resource management requiring hearings including regional policy statements, regional and district plans, notices of requirement and resource consents	Rob primarily acts as an independent hearings commissioner nationwide, having served on over 370 hearings and acted as chairperson for more than 270 of them - for regional policy statements, regional plans, and district plan reviews and changes.  Activities covered in resource consent and notice of requirements hearings include industrial and agricultural discharges to land, water and air; surface water and groundwater takes; deemed mining permits, urban wastewater and stormwater discharges to land and water; methyl bromide log fumigation; harbour and lagoon dredging; urban earthworks; forestry harvesting; mangrove removal; marine farms; seawalls; flood control works; wharves and boat ramps; reclamations; wetland and land drainage works; lake restoration works; water storage reservoir and dams; sediment traps; stream works; rat poison drops; aquatic herbicide spraying; crematoriums; landfills; clean fills; timber treatment plants; apartment buildings; film studios, heritage building alterations and demolitions; airport runway expansions, power transmission lines; geothermal power stations; retirement complexes, arterial roads and urban subdivisions.	30-06-27 (including chairing endorsement)	Napier
17. ROBERT SCOTT (SCOTT WILKINSON PLANNING)  Areas of expertise - Development planning, resource consent assessments, district plan policy, submitter representation,	Robert is a resource management and planning specialist, familiar with local government legislation and matters relating to Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi and kaupapa Māori.  Fully familiar with hearing processes. Has been expert planning witness before the Environment Court and is familiar with mediation, expert caucusing as forms of alternative dispute resolution.  Robert has provided services to the Far North District Council as a consultant processing private plan changes 22 (Inlet Estate) and 23 (Matauri Bay). Robert is therefore familiar with the Council Operative and Draft Proposed	31-12-26 (including chairing endorsement)	Auckland

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conservation and planning advice,	District Plans.		
independent commissioner	Robert has been an accredited planning commissioner since 2008 and have appointed to the following panels:		
	Auckland Council		
	Appointed in 2014		
	Acting as Chair since 2015 and currently hold Chair's endorsement		
	Duty Commissioner for non-notified decisions since 2015		
	On over 70 hearing panels an acted as Chair for over 60 hearings		
	Chair for four plan change hearings and decisions (Plan change 3, Plan Change 5, Plan Change 35 and Oruarangi SHA) and is currently chair for a plan change yet to heard (Plan Change 73).		
	Robert is currently on the commissioner panels for the Waikato Regional Council, Hamilton City Council,		
	Queenstown District Council and Tauranga City Council.		
18. SARAH SHAW (SARAH SHAW	RMA Reform - Panel member, Te Ropu Tai Timu Tai Pari (April 2022 – present), appointed by Te Arawhiti/The	31-12-25	Whangarei
BARRISTER)	Office for Maori Crown Relations to Te Ropu Tai Timu Tai Pari, the reference group on upholding Takutai		
Areas of expertise -	Moana/Marine and Coastal Area Act rights in the RMA reforms. The Ropu advises Te Arawhiti on its response		
Planning, resource management	under Te Tiriti to MfE on RMA reform		
and heritage protection, law, local	Covid-19 Fast Track (June 2021 – April 2022) Appointed by the Environmental Protection Agency to chair the		
government and local affairs	expert consenting panel determining the Kaitaia Papakainga project. Appointed to provide legal advice to the		
Matters relating to Te Tiriti o	panel determining the Rangitane Maritime Development.		
Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi and	Sarah provides advice and expert evidence as a resource management practitioner to iwi and hapu on the		
kaupapa Māori	interface between the Marine & Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011 and the RMA, including proving expert		
Specific issues relating to	evidence to the Waitangi Tribunal Kaupapa inquiry into MACA in May 2021, providing affidavit expert evidence		
indigenous biodiversity, rural and	in the High Court proceedings in Re Edwards (Whakatohea) with respect to the grant of Customary Marine Title		
coastal communities,	and Protected Customary Rights in Opotiki in August 2021.		
environmental science, including	Principal legal adviser to Whangarei District Council policy team on the second generation Whangarei District Plan		
the physical and social sciences,	(rolling review plan changes). Sarah has advised and represented the Council on a wide range of plan changes.		
architecture, engineering,	Legal adviser to Whangarei District Council consents team, including procedural and plan interpretation advice		
surveying and traffic, landscape	and consent appeals.		
and urban design, hearing	Representing mana whenua and public interest groups in appeals on the Northland Proposed Regional Plan.		
processes, alternative dispute	Representing an applicant consortium of mana whenua and local community groups on a private plan change		
resolution, knowledge of consent	seeking a new community on the former racecourse at Dargaville.		
authority functions under the			

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RMA			
19. SIANI WALKER (BENTLEY AND CO)  Areas of expertise — Te Tiriti of Waitangi and Kaupapa Māori, planning, resource management, heritage protection (cultural heritage).	Siani is a New Zealander of Māori decent with an intermediate level of te reo Māori. Has knowledge, skills and experience to assist in hearing and determining applications under the Resource Management Act 1991, for all types of resource consent applications, and knowledge of consent authority functions under the Resource Management Act.  Demonstrated experience in curriculum vitae – cultural sector, treaty settlements sector, government sector, consenting process (including commissioner)	30-06-27	Auckland
20. STEPHEN DAYSH (MITCHELL DAYSH)	Stephen has sat as a hearings commissioner (often as chair) for approximately 100 hearings through-out New Zealand.	31-12-23 (including	Auckland
Areas of expertise - Energy and infrastructure	Currently chair of the New Plymouth District Plan Review Hearings Panel which includes three other panel members, and which is nearing completion.	chairing endorsement)	
feasibility studies Project planning and management	,		
Policy and plan development Environmental auditing and management systems Consenting and environmental	Plan heard under urgency - required after the Christchurch earthquake.  Often sat alone as a "Commissioner Chair" including for some very large cases such as the SH1 Huntly Bypass Project for Waikato District Council and WRC, and the SH3 Mount Messenger Bypass Project for New Plymouth District Council and TRC.		
impact assessment Community consultation and stakeholder group facilitation	Acted for several iwi parties as their planning advisor including the Auckland Independent Māori Statutory Board, the Heretaunga Tamatea Settlement Trust, Maungaharuru Tangitu Trust, Te Taiwhenua o Tamatea, and Te Ati Awa (Kapiti). Well versed in, and very comfortable in hearing Māori resource management issues  Note: Interest expressed to be independent panel member for upcoming District Plan Review hearings process.		
21. VANESSA WILKINSON (SCOTT WILKINSON PLANNING LIMITED)	or chairperson, however, welcomes the opportunity. Vanessa has experience in drafting planning reports and peer reviewing resource consent and plan change recommendations and decisions through various roles. Vanessa	31-12-23 (including chairing	Auckland
Areas of expertise - Planning and resource management; hearing processes; alternative dispute resolution;	has recently been approved for appointment to the panel of Commissioners for Queenstown Lakes District Council.  Vanessa has been practicing as a planner, in both regulatory and policy roles, since 1998. Vanessa has experience in a range of resource consenting; policy and plan preparation work, including:	endorsement)	
knowledge of consent authorities'	assessment of simple and complex resource consent applications, including the co-ordination of specialist inputs,		

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functions under the Resource Management Act 1991	on behalf of Auckland Council; the preparation of simple and complex resource consent applications for private clients, including residential, subdivision, business, and heritage developments; assessment of and reporting on plan changes and the preparation of variations to plan changes on behalf of Auckland Council; assessment of and reporting notices of requirement on behalf of Auckland Council; drafting and preparation of planning policy and supporting documents, summarising submissions, and representation to elected representatives; preparation, peer review and co-ordination of planning applications and policy submissions for private sector clients; experience in leading applications through Council hearings and through Court processes, mediation and hearings; experience with plan preparation though mediation and hearings processes; assisted the Auckland Unitary Plan Independent Hearings Panel with resource consenting and best practice expertise, development of hearing processes, mediation and the preparation of final recommendations on the Auckland Unitary Plan.		
22. WAYNE DONOVAN (BIO LTD)  Areas of expertise -  Aquatic ecology; environmental impact assessment; water quality and quantity; freshwater fisheries, aquatic ecological monitoring and management plans; expert witness and peer review	Wayne has 47 years' experience as a freshwater ecologist and has been involved in numerous projects throughout New Zealand and overseas. He was co-founder of Bioresearches Group Ltd, the oldest biological consultancy in New Zealand. His experience includes project management in freshwater ecology - benthic and planktonic faunal analysis; freshwater fisheries - native and exotic; water quality – nutrients, wastewater discharges. Wayne has undertaken freshwater ecological investigations in Kashmir, India, Solomon Islands and Samoa and fact-finding trips associated with the pulp and paper, and gold mining industries to North America, Sweden and Finland. New Zealand projects included assessing the effects of wastewater discharges associated with industrial (pulp and paper mills, dairy factories, freezing works), mines (gold and coal), quarries, land development and roads on freshwater aquatic ecosystems (streams, rivers and lakes). He has also been involved in evaluating the effects of water abstraction and diversion, associated with hydro-electric and irrigation schemes, on water quality and trout and native fisheries. Wayne is also an Accredited Hearings Commissioner by the Ministry for the Environment and has been involved in a number of hearings, in his capacity as a Hearings Commissioner, for the Auckland Council and Environment Southland. He is an Associate of the New Zealand Planning Institute and has recently been appointed to the Panel to act as an independent Hearing Commissioner for the Christchurch City Council's Consenting and Compliance and Strategy and Transformation Groups	31-12-26	Auckland

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