
MINUTE 4 OF THE EXPERT PANEL
Appointment of technical advisers

Alternative to Brynderwyn Hills [FTAA-2603-1178]

[16 July 2026]

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[1] Pursuant to clause 10(3) of Schedule 3 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (FTAA), the Panel may, at any time, appoint technical advisers as considered appropriate.

[2] At this stage, the Panel intends to engage the following technical advisers to assist on the following matters:

- (a) Cameron Lines (Director, Baseline Geotechnical) – geotechnical;
- (b) Jon Williamson (Managing director / principal hydrologist, Williamson Water & land Advisory) – hydrology; and
- (c) Martin Neale (Director Science, Puhoi and Stour) – aquatic ecology.

[3] The Panel may engage further technical advisers as required to address any emerging issues, and will reassess its technical support once comments have been provided by invited parties. The early engagement of the above advisers should enable them to attend the Panel's site-visit which is being arranged for early August.

[4] The advisers have each informed the Panel of any current or prior engagements involving them undertaking work for any parties involved in this project (including the Applicant, local authorities, and DOC). The Panel has

reviewed those matters and does not consider that any actual or perceived conflicts of interest arise. The Panel is confident that each adviser will exercise independent professional judgement when providing advice to the Panel. That advice will be published, and the Applicant will be provided with an opportunity to respond before the advice is considered by the Panel as part of its decision making.



Mary Hill

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