



MINUTE OF THE PANEL CONVENER

Panel appointments and decision time frame Maitahi Village [FTAA-2502-1009]

(7 May 2025)

- [1] The purpose of this minute is to confirm:
 - (a) Appointment of panel members (FTAA, schedule 3).
 - (b) The timing of the panel decision (FTAA, section 79).
- [2] The following persons have been appointed to decide the substantive application lodged for Maitahi Village:
 - Honourable Lyn Stevens KC (Chairperson)
 - Andrew Whaley
 - Glenice Paine
 - Sam Flewellen
- [3] The date for commencement of the panel is Monday, 12 May 2025. The decision timeframe is 87 working days from panel commencement (approximately 18 weeks), with the decision due on 12 September 2025.
- [4] When deciding the time frame applicable, I considered the default statutory period under section 79(1)(b), the application, and the advice received from participants at the Convener's Conference.¹ The default period under s 79 is insufficient time given:

¹ Held Monday 28 April 2025.

- (a) The very recent engagement between the applicant and City Council on this project;
- (b) The indication of issues requiring resolution between the applicant and the City Council;
- (c) The project's legal and evidential complexity; then
- (d) For the panel to consider comments received on draft conditions and detailed management plans under section 70; and
- (e) For the panel to seek, and allow the applicant an opportunity to respond to, comments from the Minister of Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti, and the Minister for Māori Development (if any) under section 72).

Jane Borthwick

Panel convener for the purpose of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024