

**BEFORE THE EXPERT CONSENTING PANEL APPOINTED BY
THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AUTHORITY**

UNDER the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the
FTTA)

IN THE MATTER of Matakanui Gold Limited for approvals
associated with the Bendigo-Ophir Gold
Project [**FTAA-2507-1089**]

**MEMORANDUM OF COUNSEL FOR CENTRAL OTAGO
DISTRICT COUNCIL SEEKING LEAVE TO PROVIDE EXPERT
COMMENT ON SPRING ANNUALS SURVEY**

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1. This memorandum is filed on behalf of Central Otago District Council (**CODC**) following the issue of Minute 40.
2. Pursuant to paragraph [9] of the Minute, CODC seeks leave for its expert, Mr Harding, to provide comment on the 2025 Spring Annuals Survey (**Survey**).
3. CODC confirms that Mr Harding is presently reviewing the Survey with a view to providing his comments within the time frame indicated by the Panel.



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