
MINUTE 8 OF THE EXPERT PANEL

Acceptance of late submission
Arataki Project [FTAA-2506-1083]

(19 February 2026)

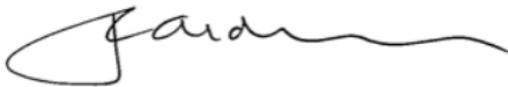
[1] On 23 January 2026, the Panel released its draft decision and conditions for comment, with the period for comment closing on Monday 9 February 2026.

[2] Since the close of the comment period, a late comment on the draft conditions was filed on behalf of C & M McKenzie of 70 Arataki Road, Havelock North.

[3] Under section 81(6) of the Act, the Panel may (but is not required to) consider comments filed after the applicable timeframe at its discretion.

[4] This minute records:

- (a) That the Panel has determined to accept the late comment; and
- (b) That the Applicant has been provided with a copy of the late comment, and asked to provide a response within 24 hours, a timeframe that was considered reasonable considering the late comment did not raise any new issues that have not been previously raised.



Jennifer Caldwell
Arataki Expert Panel Chair