Fast-track

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MINUTE 10 OF THE EXPERT PANEL
Minor Corrections

Auckland Prison Capacity Increase Expert Panel

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[1] On 6 October 2026 the Panel issued its Decision granting approvals for the substantive application comprising:

(a) Designation alteration to increase the capacity of Auckland Prison from 681 prisoners to 1,220 prisoners and replace the existing designation conditions (**Designation Alteration**);
(b) Resource consents for watercourse works, including conditions to manage a Standard Freshwater Fisheries Activity (Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1983);
(c) An outline plan of works waiver for watercourse works (**OPW Waiver**);
(d) Wildlife approval for the salvage and relocation of native lizards that may be present at the Site (**Wildlife Approval**); and
(e) A precautionary archaeological authority to ensure appropriate approvals are in place and to minimise delays if sensitive material is exposed once works are underway (**Archaeological Authority**).

[2] The Panel has subsequently received requests for minor corrections, as follows:

(a) From the Department of Conservation (**DOC**); and

(b) From the Department of Corrections (**Corrections**).

Minor corrections sought by DOC

[3] DOC sought three minor corrections, as follows:

(a) The addition of words to condition 39(c) of the Designation Conditions (Appendix 2 to the Decision) specifying the date/timeframe within which the balance of the planning (required under the LMEEP) must be completed;
(b) Corrections to the formatting of Schedule 1 to the Wildlife Approval Conditions (Appendix 4 to the Decision); and
(c) The correction of a reference within condition WAA17 of the Wildlife Approval, from "Schedule 1, clause 3" to "Schedule 1, clause 5".

Minor corrections sought by Corrections

[4] By its Twelfth Memorandum dated 22 October 2026 on behalf of the Department of Corrections (**Twelfth Memorandum**), Corrections sought minor corrections under section 89 to the FTAA.

[5] Corrections sought minor corrections to the Designation Conditions, as follows:

(a) Corrections to the definitions of "Auckland Prison Site" and "Flood Hazard";
(b) Corrections to DES 05 Maximum Height Limits
(c) Corrections to DES 12 Construction Vibration;
(d) Corrections to 14A (now DES 15) Lighting;
(e) Corrections to 39 (now DES 40) Landscape and Ecological Planting; and
(f) Corrections to DES46 (now DES 47) Iwi Forum.
(g) Updated condition numbering and resulting cross referencing

throughout the designation conditions

[6] Corrections also sought:

(a) An amendment to Appendix 1 to the Decision to reflect the fact that consent is not require under rule E7.4.1 (A26) for dewatering activities.
(b) The addition of reference numbers to the Archaeological Authority; and
(c) The addition of a reference number to the Wildlife Approval.

[7] Corrections provided as Appendix 1 to its Twelfth Memorandum, a summary of the requested minor corrections, including reasons for those changes (where relevant).

[8] Corrections also provided as Appendix 2 to its Twelfth Memorandum, a tracked change version of the changes sought to the Designation conditions.

Power to make minor corrections

[9] Section 89 of the FTAA provides that the Panel may, within 20 working days after issuing a decision document under section 88(1), issue an amendment to the document to correct minor omissions, errors, or other defects in it.

Minor corrections made

[10] The Panel has considered the requested changes and is satisfied that the errors ought to be corrected and fall within the scope of amendments contemplated by section 89 of the FTAA. The Panel generally agrees with the reasons for the corrections as set out in the request filed by DOC, and the Twelfth Memorandum filed by Corrections.

[11] The Panel has made the following corrections:

(a) Corrections to the Designation Conditions, as set out in Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 to the Twelfth Memorandum;
(b) Updates to the condition numbering and cross-referencing in the Designation Conditions;
(c) Correction of a reference within condition WAA17 of the Wildlife Approval, from "Schedule 1, clause 3" to "Schedule 1, clause 5";
(d) An amendment to Appendix 1 to the Decision to reflect the fact that consent is not require under rule E7.4.1 (A26) for dewatering activities;
(e) The addition of reference numbers to the Archaeological Authority; and
(f) The addition of reference number 127201-FAU to the Wildlife Approval.

[12] For completeness, the Panel records that:

(a) The correction sought by DOC to condition DES 39(c) (now DES 40(c)) has been made; and
(b) The formatting issue affecting Schedule 1 to the Wildlife Approval has been addressed.

[13] Attached as Appendix 1 to this Minute is a consolidated tracked version of the following appendices to the Decision, showing the minor corrections as tracked changes:

(a) Appendix 1 – Consents Required
(b) Appendix 2 – Designation Conditions
(c) Appendix 4 – Wildlife Approval Conditions
(d) Appendix 5 – Archaeological Authority Conditions

[14] The Panel thanks DOC and Corrections for bringing these matters to its attention.

Final Decision

[15] The minor corrections recorded in this Minute have now been made to the Decision.



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