

BEFORE THE INDEPENDENT HEARINGS PANEL

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA)

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IN THE MATTER of an application by **NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi** for approvals under the FTAA for the construction, operation and maintenance of new bus rapid transit (**BRT**) facilities alongside State Highway 16 (**SH16**) from the Brigham Creek Road/SH16 intersection to Ian McKinnon Drive in the Auckland City Centre, including seven rapid transit stations and one Park and Ride facility at Brigham Creek Rarawaru ("**Application**")

**STATEMENT OF HANNAH LOUISE EDWARDS QUALIFICATIONS AND
EXPERIENCE**

26 May 2026

**STATEMENT OF HANNAH LOUISE EDWARDS REGARDING
QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE**

1. My full name is Hannah Louise Edwards.
2. I am a Director at Forme Planning Limited (**Forme Planning**), a planning consultancy that provides planning advice on developments throughout New Zealand. I have been a director of Forme Planning since October 2019. Prior to that, I held various planning roles with Forme Planning as a Principal Planner, Bentley & Co. and the Royal London Borough of Richmond.
3. I collated and prepared the planning aspects of the report dated 26 May 2026, entitled "North West Rapid Transit (FTAA-2511-1146) Comments to Panel on behalf of Cabra Industrial Limited, Cabra Fred Taylor Limited and Foundry Industrial Limited". The Report was filed with the panel by email on 26 May 2026 on behalf of Foundry Group.
4. I have the following qualifications and experience relevant to the matters addressed in the Report:
 - a. I have a Bachelor of Planning (Hons) degree from the University of Auckland.
 - b. I am an intermediate member of the New Zealand Planning Institute.
 - c. I have over 19 years' experience covering a wide range of land use planning matters on behalf of local authorities, government departments and private entities in New Zealand. During that time, I have been involved with many aspects of resource management including planning due diligence, policy reviews, preparation and lodgement of resource consent applications, submissions and presentation of evidence to local authorities in respect of consent applications and plan changes.
5. While the Report has not been prepared in the form of evidence to be presented at a hearing, I confirm that, subject to the caveats set out in paragraph 5 below:

- a. I have read the Expert Witness Code of Conduct set out in the Environment Court's Practice Note 2023 and have complied with the requirements in the Code of Conduct in preparing the Report.
 - b. Except where I state that I am relying on material provided by another person, the Report is within my area of expertise.
 - c. I have not omitted to consider material facts known to me that might alter or detract from the opinions expressed in this evidence.
6. I make the following observations with reference to the requirements of the Code of Conduct regarding the scope of the Report, the analysis and assessment undertaken by me, and the content of the Report:
- a. The scope of my assessment is limited to considering the findings of experts engaged by Foundry Group with respect to civil and acoustic/vibration engineering, with regard to the existing and planned planning framework as set out in the Report and insofar as their expert assessments identified information gaps and made recommendations on potential conditions of consent that could address those identified gaps, and/or address identified adverse effects of the Project on the properties owned by Foundry Group at [REDACTED].
 - b. Further, I have not undertaken a peer review of the application nor its wider environmental effects or overall planning merits. I offer no opinion on the consent matters sought and assessed in the Application, nor do I make any conclusion on whether or not the Application meets the purpose of the FTAA.

Dated this 26th day of May 2026



Hannah Louise Edwards - Planning