BEFORE THE SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL

IN THE MATTER OF the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

Proposed Plan Change 66 at Maddisons Road, Rolleston IN THE MATTER OF

MINUTE NO 1 OF COMMISSIONER DAVID CALDWELL **Dated 15 June 2021**

- The Selwyn District Council has, pursuant to s34A of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA), appointed me to hear and make a decision on Proposed Plan Change 66 at Maddisons Road, Rolleston to the district plan.
- 2. The hearing has been set down for 9 and 10 August 2021, commencing at 9.00am, and is to be held at the Selwyn District Council Chambers.
- 3. The purpose of this Minute is to address the pre-circulation of evidence prior to the hearing.

Pre-provision of Evidence

- 4. I consider that pre-provision of expert evidence will reduce the length of the hearing by reducing the need to have all evidence read. It also enables the focus to be on matters in contention and conflicting opinions.
- It will also help me to better prepare for the hearing and will enable the reporting officer to consider the evidence of expert witnesses prior to the hearing and to seek further opinion from other Council staff or consultants if necessary.
- 6. For the above reasons, and pursuant to s41B of the RMA, it is directed that evidence be preprovided in accordance with the following timetable:
 - (a) The Council must circulate the s42A Officers Report to all parties by no later than **Friday 16 July 2021**, being 15 full working days before the hearing;
 - (b) The Applicant must provide briefs of evidence to the Council in an electronic form by no later than **Friday 23 July 2021**, being 10 full working days before the hearing; and
 - (c) Any submitter who is intending to call expert evidence must provide briefs of evidence to the Council in an electronic form by no later than Friday 30 July 2021, being 5 full working days before the hearing.
- 7. Briefs of evidence are to be emailed to Tina Van Der Velde at the following email address Tina.vandervelde@selwyn.govt.nz.
- 8. Expert evidence is evidence prepared by independently qualified persons such as landscape architects, transportation experts, ecologists and planners.
- 9. Submitters who do not intend to call expert evidence do not have to comply with the timeframe specified in 6(c) and will be able to present their own evidence at the hearing.
- 10. I direct that all experts provide a summary of the key points of their evidence which will be read at the hearing. To be of benefit, the summaries should focus on key assumptions, methodology, conclusions and reasons for those conclusions. It would be particularly helpful if any areas of disagreement with the reporting officers can be identified.

- 11. Legal submissions do not need to be pre-circulated and can be presented at the hearing.
- 12. If there are any issues arising from these directions, they may be raised, in writing, through Ms Van Der Velde.

David Caldwell

Hearing Commissioner

Coldwell

Dated: 15 June 2021