

**IN THE MATTER OF**      the Resource Management Act 1991  
**AND**  
**IN THE MATTER OF**      Matamata-Piako Private Plan  
Change 58 – Avenue Business Park.

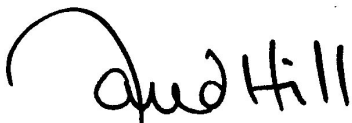
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**RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991**  
**DIRECTION #1**  
**INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL**

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**Purpose:** The purpose of Direction #1 is to confirm the date for hearing and report / evidence exchange.

1. Pursuant to sections 34 and 34A RMA Matamata-Piako District Council (Council) has appointed independent hearings commissioners David Hill (chair) and James Whetu (the Panel) to hear and decide submissions made on Proposed Private Plan Change 58 – Avenue Business Park (PC58).
2. The hearing on PC58 is set down for the 26<sup>th</sup> and (if required) 27<sup>th</sup> February 2024.
3. Pursuant to sections 41B & 41C RMA, the following timetabling directions are made:
  - (a) Council's section 42A hearing report shall be made available on Council's website no later than 4pm Monday, 5 February 2024.
  - (b) The requestors expert evidence shall be lodged with Council and made available on its website no later than 4pm Monday, 12 February 2024.
  - (c) Any submitter's expert evidence shall be lodged with Council and made available on its website no later than 4pm Monday, 19 February 2024.
  - (d) Any opening legal submissions shall be lodged with Council and made available on its website no later than 4pm Wednesday, 21 February 2024.
4. All reports and evidence will be taken as read unless otherwise advised by the Panel.
5. For the avoidance of doubt, lay submitter representations are not required to be pre-circulated and may be presented on the day of appearance.
6. Any queries or correspondence related to this Direction should be sent to Council through Patricia Kaumoana at [PKaumoana@mpdc.govt.nz](mailto:PKaumoana@mpdc.govt.nz) .



David Hill (Chairperson)  
Independent Hearing Panel

4 December 2023