

Proposed Plan Change 1 - Waikato and Waipa River Catchments

**AGENDA FOR INFORMATION FORUM ON 21 - 22 NOVEMBER 2018**

**DAY ONE – 21 NOVEMBER – INFORMATION FORUM**

**Starts at 10am**

Tea/coffee and biscuits will be available from 9.30am

<b>21 November</b>	<b>Topic</b>
10am	<p>Introduction by facilitators David Hill, scientist/planner Stuart Shepherd, economist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confirm people and parties in attendance</li> <li>• Identify parties that are particularly interested in scientific and economic modelling and its outputs</li> <li>• Overview of today’s agenda and proposed expert caucusing, including objectives, protocols and key dates:</li> <li>• today is a general meeting focused on understanding PC1 and the scientific and economic modelling behind it</li> <li>• tomorrow is a meeting of experts only* to set out the process and approach for expert caucusing aimed at identifying the extent of agreement on the assumptions and methodologies that inform the scientific and economic modelling. The discussion will canvass the pros and cons of various models, including those being developed by parties other than the Council.</li> <li>• Confirm Agenda</li> <li>• Run through ground rules for the sessions</li> <li>• Questions raised in responses to the invitation to attend this Information Forum – how and when these will be addressed (if not today)</li> </ul> <p>* Independent experts must have relevant qualifications and/or knowledge and experience in scientific and economic modelling and/or the use of modelling outputs in policy making e.g., scientists, economists and planners.</p>
10.45am	Presentation by Council’s team on the models, their development, inputs, assumptions and outputs
12 midday	LUNCH (not provided)
1.00pm	<p>Questions (and answers) on the presentation, PC1 and modelling</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written questions,</li> <li>• questions from the floor,</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>specific questions that participants want the subsequent expert caucusing to address.</li> </ul>
2.00pm	<p>Next steps</p> <p>Discussion on scientific and economic modelling and the level of support for expert caucusing on this topic.</p> <p>Representation would comprise experts for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>parties with alternative models (brief presentation of any such models and the key perceived differences)</li> <li>parties with a specific interest in the outputs from modelling (those interests should be specified)</li> </ul>
2.45pm	<p>Wrap up</p> <p>Confirm participants for initial meeting of experts at 9am on 22 November 2018</p>
3pm	Meeting closes

## DAY TWO – 22 NOVEMBER 2018 – EXPERTS ONLY

### Starts at 9am

Tea/coffee and biscuits on arrival and during a short break c 10.30am

<b>November 22 (experts only)</b>	<b>Topic</b>
9am – 12 midday	<p>Introductions</p> <p>Objectives for expert caucusing proposed for 10 &amp; 11 December (and potentially late January 2019):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>identify significant issues of difference relating to the scientific/economic models that merit / require further consideration</li> <li>seek agreement on the set(s) of assumptions and methodologies that should inform the scientific and economic model(s);</li> <li>evaluate the pros and cons of various models (if any);</li> <li>identify scenarios for testing agreed assumptions</li> </ul> <p>Output</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facilitators to report any outcomes to the Hearings Panel by mid-February 2019 at the latest (depending on progress made) This report will be on the public record. While this may be later than the currently scheduled release of the s42A report, this can (subject to</li> </ul>

	<p>Panel direction) be accommodated by supplementary reporting and evidence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facilitators will ensure parties have an opportunity to comment on their draft report before it is provided to the Hearings Panel.</li> <li>• Confirm participants for the expert caucusing; identify who intends to produce an alternative model; and identify subject areas of interest.</li> <li>• Confirm agenda and preparatory tasks for two-day caucus meeting set down for 10-11 December 2018. Up to a further two days of caucusing in late January may be added if considered useful and necessary by the facilitators.</li> <li>• Confirm protocols/procedures</li> <li>• Environment Court Code of Conduct applies</li> <li>• Chatham House Rule of non-attribution to participants applies</li> <li>• All information exchanged is to be treated as confidential to the participants until the facilitators' report is presented – unless otherwise agreed.</li> <li>• Agree timetable for exchange of information and receipt / circulation of comments.</li> </ul>