

IN THE MATTER OF **the Resource Management Act 1991**

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IN THE MATTER OF **an application by Káinga Ora on behalf of
the Department of Corrections for a
resource consent to use an existing
property at 14 Bristol Street, St Albans,
Christchurch to provide residential
accommodation for men as part of a
rehabilitative and reintegrative
programme**

(RMA/2020/173)

**MINUTE OF COMISSIONERS APPOINTED BY THE CHRISTCHURCH
CITY COUNCIL**

DATED 2 DECEMBER 2021

1. We record that on 26 November 2021, we received the closing submissions of counsel for the applicant. We were on the point of closing the hearing when on 30 November 2021, it was brought to our attention that counsel for the Bristol Street Community Network Incorporated had filed a memorandum regarding an official information response and the applicant's reply.

2. Yesterday we commented on the minute as follows

"We agree that in the first instance the memorandum should be sent to the applicant. Counsel should be advised that given that we have not closed the hearing at this point, we are of the view that the memorandum should be accepted but on the strict basis that the applicant has an opportunity to respond. We have in mind five working days. When we hear from counsel for the applicant, we will make a formal ruling in a minute to be issued at that time."

3. This morning we received a copy of an email from Ms Semple, counsel for the applicant, noting that the applicant would abide the decision of the commissioners and respond to any subsequent minute we may wish to issue. This minute follows.

4. The memorandum is being filed very late. However, we have not at this stage closed the hearing and after carefully considering this matter, we have decided that we should receive the memorandum provided that we can be satisfied that the applicant can be given a proper opportunity to respond to the matters raised in the memorandum. Our tentative view was that five working days would provide an adequate opportunity for a response. We now confirm the position and direct that we will receive the memorandum on the basis that the applicant is to have five working days from the date of this minute to make any response to the memorandum.

5. It is our intention to close the hearing shortly after we receive the response from the applicant to the memorandum in question.

DATED this 2nd day of December 2021.



**A C HUGHES-JOHNSON QC
COMMISSIONER**



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