

IN THE MATTER OF the Canterbury Earthquake (Christchurch Replacement District Plan) Order 2014

AND

IN THE MATTER OF decisions on a late submission pursuant to Clause 3(1)(e) of Schedule 2 and Clause 5 of Schedule 3 to the Order

Date: 11 September 2015

RECORD OF DECISION

Background

1. The Christchurch City Council ('Council') has received a late submissions from Straterra Inc ('Straterra') and has forwarded it and correspondence from Straterra to me for consideration.¹ The late submission relates to Chapter 9 Natural and Cultural Heritage, Appendix 9.1.4.5 (on biodiversity effects). The day prior to the close of submissions, Straterra contacted the Council indicating they were likely to be late with their submission. The submission was lodged on 8 September 2015. Straterra explained that the lateness of the submission was due to the need to complete consultation with their membership and due to the author of the submission being on leave.

2. Clause 5 of Schedule 3 of the Order provides that the Chairperson of the Hearings Panel may extend or waive compliance with any time limits specified by or under this Order, except in relation to the time limit specified in clause 12(2) which relates to completing the Panel's obligation under the Order. Clause 5 also states that the Chairperson of the Panel may accept submissions received after the relevant closing date notified under clause 5 or 7 of Schedule 1.

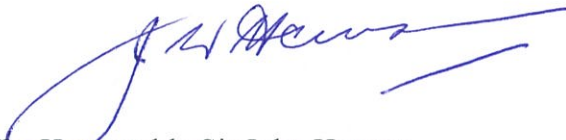
¹ Email from Straterra Inc to the Council dated 8 September 2015.

3. Although the submission is out of time, I do not consider any person would be prejudiced by waiver of the time for lodging submissions. There is sufficient time for the submission to be notified and for the opportunity for further submissions before the hearing of this Chapter.

Decision

4. The receipt of a late submission from Straterra referred to me for determination is accepted. Accordingly it is so ordered:

- (a) The Council is directed to notify the Straterra submission in accordance with the OIC.
- (b) The Council is to serve a copy of this decision on Straterra Inc.



The Honourable Sir John Hansen
Chair