

BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act) of Notice of Motion under Section 87G requesting the granting of resource consents to WELLINGTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT LIMITED for the WELLINGTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT EXTENSION OF RUNWAY: CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE
(ENV-2016-WLG-000058)

**SEVENTH MINUTE OF THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
(30 JANUARY 2016)**

[1] This minute accompanies the formal hearing notice for the first prehearing conference in these proceedings to be held at 10.00am on 9 February 2017. The following agenda is presently proposed for that conference:

- (a) entry of attendances and representation;
- (b) discussion as to possible joint representation of persons and bodies having similar interests;
- (c) preliminary issues raised by the parties;
- (d) identification of issues and witnesses and their expertise from each party who will be providing evidence at the hearing;
- (e) discussion of timetables proposed by WIAL and consent authorities (memoranda on Court website) including the time and place of the hearing (having regard to impact of Lions' tour on accommodation in Wellington), the procedure to be followed at the hearing and the likely duration of hearing;
- (f) discussion and confirmation regarding filing and serving of documents/evidence;

- (g) discussion regarding exhibits, agreed file of documents and maps/planning documents;
- (h) discussion on applications made to the Environmental Legal Assistance fund;
- (i) waiver applications made by Richard Nimmo, Breaker Bay and Moa Point Progressive Association and Susan Haniel.
- (j) any other relevant matters on which arrangements should be made or directions given to ensure the fair, orderly and efficient hearing of the proceedings.

A number of issues arise out of the proposed agenda which require further comment.

[2] Because of the potential number of attendees the Court will not take appearances at the commencement of the prehearing conference. Two attendance registers will be available at the entrance to the Court from 9.30am and all parties who wish to formally enter an appearance will be required to sign the register. Due to the number of parties and Court security requirements, early arrival is advisable.

[3] The conference will commence with the Court taking appearances from WIAL and the consent authorities who may address the Court on the various agenda items. After that process other parties wishing to address the Court will be given the opportunity to identify themselves and speak to such matters as they wish. The presiding judge will determine the format of discussion which may proceed on an issue by issue basis.

[3] Parties who wish to call evidence at the hearing of this application are required to provide a schedule of witnesses at the pre-hearing conference. A copy of the Court's present witness schedule is attached for that purpose. Parties who do not wish to present evidence but simply make a statement in support of or opposition to the proposal should advise accordingly.

[4] The Court is aware that a number of parties to the proceedings have sought assistance from the Environmental Legal Assistance fund. All parties who have made such applications will be required to formally advise the Court as to when those applications were filed and their current status. Such parties must provide the schedule of witnesses notwithstanding that they may be unable to finally instruct those witnesses until such time as legal assistance is confirmed.

[5] Comment on the proposed agenda is requested from any party who wishes to do so and agenda items may be added by the Court where appropriate. A final agenda will be circulated on 7 February.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B P Dwyer', written in a cursive style.

B P Dwyer
Environment Judge