Resource Management Act 1991

34 Delegation of functions, etc, by local authorities

- (1) A local authority may delegate to any committee of the local authority established in accordance with the Local Government Act 2002 any of its functions, powers, or duties under this Act.
- (2) A territorial authority may delegate to any community board established in accordance with the Local Government Act 2002 any of its functions, powers, or duties under this Act in respect of any matter of significance to that community, other than the approval of a plan or any change to a plan.
- (3) Subsection (2) does not prevent a local authority delegating to a community board power to do anything before a final decision on the approval of a plan or any change to a plan.
- (4)- Repealed.
- (6)
- (7) Any delegation under this section may be made on such terms and conditions as the local authority thinks fit, and may be revoked at any time by notice to the delegate.
- (8) Except as provided in the instrument of delegation, every person to whom any function, power, or duty has been delegated under this section may, without confirmation by the local authority, exercise or perform the function, power, or duty in like manner and with the same effect as the local authority could itself have exercised or performed it.
- (9) Every person authorised to act under a delegation under this section is presumed to be acting in accordance with its terms in the absence of proof to the contrary.
- (10) A delegation under this section does not affect the performance or exercise of any function, power, or duty by the local authority.

34A Delegation of powers and functions to employees and other persons

- (1) A local authority may delegate to an employee, or hearings commissioner appointed by the local authority (who may or may not be a member of the local authority), any functions, powers, or duties under this Act except the following:
 - (a) the approval of a policy statement or plan:
 - (b) this power of delegation.
- (2) A local authority may delegate to any other person any functions, powers, or duties under this Act except the following:
 - (a) the powers in subsection (1)(a) and (b):
 - (b) the decision on an application for a resource consent:
 - (c) the making of a recommendation on a requirement for a designation.
- (3) A delegation under this section must be made by the chief executive officer of the local authority or by a group of senior executive officers.
- (4) Section 34(7), (8), (9), and (10) applies to a delegation under this section.
- (5) Subsection (1) or subsection (2) does not prevent a local authority delegating to any person the power to do anything before a final decision on a matter referred to in those subsections.