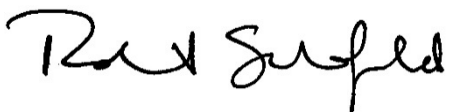


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**Minute 4 of Hearing Panel**

1. The hearing held to hear submissions on this resource consent application commenced on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December and was adjourned on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2020.
2. At the direction of the Hearing Panel, the Applicant's written right-of-reply was received on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021, together with a set of revised recommended resource consent conditions. In addition, a joint statement of evidence was received from Dr Cockrem and Dr Uys, in which they stated they had undertaken an extensive review and modification of the recommended resource consent conditions and now consider that the proposed conditions attached to the Applicant's right-of-reply will ensure that the effects of the Project on birds (with a focus on kororā / little penguins, and oystercatchers) will be, in Dr Cockrem's opinion, less than minor, and in Dr Uys' opinion, no more than minor.
3. Questions from the Hearing Panel to the Applicant on matters arising from the right-of-reply, particularly in relation to the revised set of recommended resource consent conditions, were circulated on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021.
4. In response, on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021, the Applicant provided written answers to the questions, as well as a set of revised recommended resource consent conditions and a table comparing the currently recommended 'ecological' resource consent conditions to the earlier recommendations.
5. Subsequently, the Hearing Panel met on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021 to review the evidence, legal submissions and other information, and decided that there is sufficient information to make a decision. Accordingly, we determined to officially close the Hearing today, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021.
6. A copy of the written decision will be sent to all parties within 15 working days – i.e. no later than close of business on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021.



**Robert Schofield**

Chair, Hearing Panel