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18 March 2025

Dear Hearing Parties

NOTICE OF HEARING – ROBE AND ROCHE INVESTMENTS

1. New Plymouth District Council advises that Commissioner Mark St Clair will hear and consider the application by Robe and Roche Investments for subdivision consent to create 113 residential lots and additional road and recreational reserves at 56 Pohutukawa Place, Bell Block.
2. The hearing will convene at:

**9 am
Monday 14 April 2025
Civic Centre, Liardet Street, New Plymouth
Plymouth Room**

Key Dates for this hearing (for more information see below)	
Council s42A report available	Friday 21 March 2025 at 12 noon
Applicant's evidence due	Friday 28 March 2025 at 12 noon
Submitters expert evidence due	Friday 4 April 2025 at 12 noon
Appearance confirmation due	Monday 7 April 2025 at 9am

3. As the applicant, or a submitter, you are invited to attend the hearing where the Hearing Commissioner will consider the application and submissions in support of/or opposing the application.
4. The Commissioner expects to visit the site prior to the hearing. You will be contacted if access to the site, or your property is required. During the site visit, the commissioner will not speak to any of the parties directly about the application's merits.
5. Pursuant to section 103B(2) of the Resource Management Act 1991, the pre-provision of evidence is mandatory for the resource consent. The Council and the applicant are required to provide all evidence prior to the hearing. The submitters are required to provide any expert evidence before the hearing, but can provide non-expert evidence (ie personal submissions) at the hearing.
6. All evidence is expected to be provided electronically. Evidence can be sent to the Manager Governance Julie Straka at julie.straka@npdc.govt.nz.

7. The following timeframes apply:
- a) The Council is required to provide its officer's reports (the Section 42A report) and any evidence by **midday on Friday 21 March 2025**. This report will be available on the Council website as soon as possible following their receipt. The Hearing Administrator will email you once the evidence is available on the Council's website.
 - b) **The applicant** is required to provide all its briefs of evidence no later than **midday on Friday 28 March 2025**. The Hearing Administrator will email you once the evidence is available on the Council's website.
 - c) **Any submitter** proposing to call expert witnesses is required to provide briefs of evidence from those experts by **midday on Friday 4 April 2025**. (An expert is a professional such as a planner, traffic engineer or similar.) The Hearing Administrator will email you once the evidence is available on the Council's website
8. If you have any additional written material to present at the hearing, please bring 10 (10) copies to the hearing. The Hearing Commissioner has received a copy of the original application and submissions. You do not need to provide additional copies.
9. If you would like to speak at the hearing, please email Julie Straka (julie.straka@npdc.govt.nz) by **9am on Monday 7 April 2025**. Your email needs to advise:
- Your daytime phone number.
 - Who will be speaking on your behalf (including any expert witnesses).
 - How much time you, and each of your representatives require to speak.
10. This will enable an indicative hearing schedule to be prepared and pre-circulated.
11. If you have any questions in relation to the hearing, please contact me on 759 5688 or at julie.straka@npdc.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



Julie Straka
MANAGER GOVERNANCE