IN THE MATTER of the Resource

Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of the Queenstown Lakes

Proposed District Plan

MINUTE CONCERNING TIME EXTENSION SOUGHT BY REMARKABLES PARK LIMITED

- 1. In the Panel's Minute dated 14 July 2018 we listed 15 submissions which the Council had sought be struck out under section 41D of the Act as not being "on" the Proposed District Plan. We provided an opportunity for those submitters to lodge submissions in response by Monday 23 July 2018.
- 2. On 18 July 2018 we received by way of memorandum of counsel a request from Remarkables Park Limited ("RPL") to extend this time in respect of its submission to 3 August 2018, the reason being that Mr Young, counsel for RPL, is currently overseas and returning on 26 July 2018. RPL suggest the timetable for any Council reply could be extended to 10 August 2018.
- 3. We are not minded to grant this request for the following reasons:
 - a) The timetable set out in our Minute provides very little time to provide a decision prior to the date for lodgement of submitter evidence on Stream 15 and the period for preparation of rebuttal evidence;
 - b) The extended timetable proposed in respect of this submission would significantly compress the time available to those preparing rebuttal evidence, creating prejudice to those persons;
 - c) The Panel is aware that counsel's firm contains several highly experienced resource management practitioners who would be competent to deal with the legal issues presented by the Council's application; and
 - d) Given the availability of that expertise we do not consider the submitter is prejudiced by our refusal to extend the timetable.

For the Hearings Panel

Denis Nugent (Chair)

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19 July 2018