

File No: WGN200083 and 351/10/006

14 April 2020

Notified resource consent application: notice of pre-hearing meeting and hearing

Applicant:	Wellington Water Limited on behalf of Upper Hutt City Council
Proposal:	Resource consent is sought from GWRC for construction works within the lower reaches of Pinehaven Stream to provide for a 25-year channel capacity. A Notice of Requirement is sought from UHCC for the proposed designation required to undertake the structural works. The designation is proposed to be amended following construction to only include the land required for the long term operation, maintenance, and mitigation of the effects resulting from the structural works.
Location:	Works are proposed between Pinehaven Reserve to the inlet where the Pinehaven Stream is piped to the Hulls Creek.

Please be advised that this is your formal notification of a pre-hearing meeting and the hearing, the details of which are below.

Pre-hearing Meeting

Date: Monday 20th April

Time: 7pm

The applicant has indicated that they wish to hold a pre-hearing meeting. You are invited to attend a pre-hearing meeting on this application. The purpose of the meeting is to enable submitters to discuss their concerns with the applicant. Often this discussion leads to the negotiation of consent conditions.

The pre-hearing meeting will be held on Monday 20th April 2020 at 7.00p.m. Due to the COVID-19 alert level 4 requirements, this pre-hearing meeting will be held virtually. Details of how to access the virtual meeting, an agenda and the rules of engagement will be sent around later this week. Please let me know by **4pm on the 17th April** if you would like to be involved in the pre-hearing meeting.

The virtual meeting will most probably be run through the Zoom video conferencing software, as this is the platform Greater Wellington Regional Council has access to. We are aware some submitters have raised concerns about the security of Zoom. However, as both pre-hearing meetings and hearings are public events, we do not consider there to be any security concerns.

Hearing Details

Date: Tuesday 19 – Thursday 21 May 2020

Time: 9am – 4.30pm

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Venue: Upper Hutt Cosmopolitan Club, 11 Logan Street, Upper Hutt.

COVID-19 Alert Level Impacts

Please note that if we are unable to hold a hearing in person due to the COVID-19 alert level, a virtual hearing will be held. We will confirm this and arrangements for a virtual hearing as soon as we can.

Hearing Timetable

As a number of submitters have requested to be heard, we will be preparing a hearing timetable. We will provide this timetable once we have confirmed if we are having a physical or virtual hearing (depending on any COVID-19 alert level changes), and once we have received a response from all submitters who indicated that they wish to be heard to the questions in the letter sent to you on 30 March 2020. This letter asked submitters whether they will have any technical or legal experts, if they consider they will need longer than the usual 10-15 minute time allocation slot, and whether they will be joining other submitters and presenting together to the panel. If you have not responded to these questions, please do so as soon as possible.

If you have any questions please contact me at Claire.Mckevitt@gw.govt.nz or 021 813 384 going forward.

Yours sincerely,



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