



MINUTE 21

DIRECTIONS ON THE DISABILITY, DEAF AND MENTAL HEALTH INSTITUTIONAL CARE HEARING

ŪHIA TE MĀRAMATANGA

DATED: 6 JULY 2022

1. This Minute sets out directions on the Royal Commission of Inquiry's upcoming public hearing into abuse in disability, deaf and mental health institutional care (the **hearing**). It relates only to this hearing. Practice Note 6 – Public Hearings sets out further information on public hearings.

Name of hearing

2. The Royal Commission's Pou Tikanga have gifted the hearing name "Ūhia te Māramatanga". This refers to Shining a light on an area of darkness.

Chair of hearing

3. The hearing will be co-chaired by Commissioner Gibson and Commissioner Shaw.

Timetabling

4. The hearing will commence on Monday 11 July 2022. The hearing will be located at 414 Khyber Pass Road, Newmarket, Auckland.
5. The hearing is scheduled to finish on Wednesday 20 July 2022 and will run from approximately 9:30am or 10:00am each day to 5:00pm with a lunchbreak between 1:00pm and 2:15pm, subject to further directions by the Chair.
6. On Monday 11 July 2022, the hearing will begin with a mihi starting at 9:30am. From Tuesday through to Wednesday 20 July 2022, the hearing will begin with a karakia and waiata. We will close each day also with a karakia and waiata. Further directions in relation to timetabling may be made by the Chair.
7. The proposed hearing schedule is attached to this Minute at **Appendix A**. This hearing schedule may be subject to change.

Opening and closing statements

11. Subject to any changes directed by the Inquiry:

- a. Counsel for each core participant is permitted a maximum of 10 minutes at the commencement of the hearing to make an opening statement. This will occur directly after the opening statement of Counsel Assisting the Commission.
- b. Core participants, whether in person or by counsel, are permitted a maximum of 15 minutes for oral closing submissions on Wednesday 20 July 2022.
- c. Should counsel for core participants and those granted leave to appear wish to file written closing submissions, they should be filed no later than 5pm on Tuesday 19 July 2022.

Directions relating to questioning of witnesses

12. Practice Note 6 - Public Hearings sets out the process for applications for leave to question witnesses. Practice Note 6 states exceptional reasons are required to question survivors.

Protocol for document management in hearing

17. The Inquiry will be using hearing presentation technology to enhance access to documents referred to at the public hearing, making this more accessible to all participants, including the public via livestreaming.
18. If a participant wishes any words, paragraphs, sections or other parts of any document to be highlighted when displayed on the screen, they must clearly be identified to the Inquiry when providing the document. Communications relating to this should be addressed to the Inquiry's Evidence Management team at evidence.management@abuseincare.org.nz.
19. Should a matter arise during the course of the hearing that results in a participant wishing to have any further document/s displayed electronically on the screen, the Inquiry will make all reasonable endeavours to facilitate that. Participants are requested to provide as much notice as possible, and a minimum of 24 hours' notice is requested.
20. Any document that is shown at the hearing through presentation technology will be taken to be provided on the basis the full document (ie, not just the part displayed on the screen) can be made publicly available on the Inquiry's website at the conclusion of that witness's evidence, subject to a minimum 72-hour delay (at the sole discretion of the Inquiry) to ensure compliance with any s 15 orders or agreed redactions.

Section 15 Inquiries Act Orders

21. The Inquiry has issued a [General Restriction Order](#) and [Practice Note - Section 15 Orders - Anonymity and Redactions](#) reissued on 2 September 2020. The provisions in those documents apply. They are publicly available on the Inquiry website.
18. Parties may apply for s 15 orders if they consider that necessary. These applications should be received no later than 8 July 2022 to enable time for consideration by the Inquiry and any additional orders to be issued prior to the commencement of the hearing.

Religious attire and uniforms

19. The Inquiry directs that religious attire or uniforms are not worn by anyone attending the public hearing, including witnesses. Such attire may be triggering for survivors, and survivor well-being is integral to the work of the Inquiry

For the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Historical Abuse in State Care and in Care of Faith-based Institutions



Coral Shaw – Chair

Date: 6 July 2022



APPENDIX A

START TIME WEEK ONE

Day 1 – Monday 11 July 2022

- 09.30am** Karakia and mihi mihi

- Introduction from the Commissioners

- Opening Statement from the Royal Commission – Ruth Thomas, Counsel Assisting

- Opening Statement from People First

- Opening Statement from the Crown Secretariat

- 11.30am** Irene and Margaret Priest

- 01.15pm** Lunch

- 02.30pm** Mr El

- 04.00pm** Alison Campbell

Day 2 – Tuesday 12 July 2022

- 10.00am** David Newman

- 11.45am** Paul Milner

- 01.00pm** Lunch

- 02.15pm** Tony Ryder

- 03.45pm** Sheree Briggs

Day 3 – Wednesday 13 July 2022

- 09.30am** Ross Clark

- 10.00am** Dr Olive Webb

- 11.45am** Alison Adams

1.00pm Lunch
2.15pm Peter Keoghan
3.30pm Caroline Arrell

Day 4 – Thursday 14 July 2022

10.00am Mr EY
11.45am Sidney Neilson and Cherene
1.00pm Lunch
2.15pm Catherine Hickey
3.45pm Alison Pascoe

Day 5 – Friday 15 July 2022

10.00am Donna Phillips
11.45am Sunny Webster
1.00pm Lunch
2.15pm Mr EX

START TIME WEEK TWO

Day 6 – Monday 18 July 2022

10.00am Whiti Ronaki
12.30pm Lunch
1.45pm Mr EV
3.30pm Jonathan Mosen

Day 7 – Tuesday 19 July 2022

10.00am Lusi Faiva
11.45am Matthew Whiting
1.30pm Lunch
2.45pm Shannon and Leeann Barnett

Day 8 – Wednesday 20 July 2022

- 09.30am** Kaupapa Māori expert panel
- 12.45pm** Lunch
- 1.45pm** Dr Brigit Mirfin-Veitch
- 3.45pm** Closing submissions
- 4.45pm** Mihi whakawātea and waiata