



Abuse in Care

Royal Commission of Inquiry

MINUTE 24

FURTHER DIRECTIONS ON STATE INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSE HEARING – LEAVE TO APPEAR

12 AUGUST 2022

1. This Minute sets out directions related to leave to appear at the Royal Commission of Inquiry's upcoming public hearing into the institutional responses of State agencies to abuse in State and Faith-based care (**the hearing**).
2. Minutes 22 and 23 provided the opportunity for core participants, individuals or groups to apply for leave to appear at the hearing.
3. The Inquiry received several applications for Leave to Appear at the hearing. Leave is granted to:
 - a) The Methodist Church;
 - b) Wesley College (Board of Trustees and the Wesley College Trust Board);
 - c) The Bishops and Congregational Leaders of the Catholic Church in Aotearoa New Zealand;
 - d) The Network of Survivors of Abuse in Faith-based Institutions;
 - e) Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission.

4. Leave to Appear does not require any participant to be present at all or any of the hearing days. It is understood and expected that those with Leave to Appear will exercise judgment about the days in which they attend the hearing. If any participant with Leave to Appear elects, on reflection, not to attend the hearing there is no need to take any formal step, but informal notice may be given to the Inquiry through Counsel Assisting as a matter of courtesy.
5. In granting Leave to Appear, the Inquiry notes that questions of funding, including legal assistance funding, must be addressed separately. A grant of Leave to Appear does not guarantee or indicate that legal assistance funding will be available in relation to any particular aspect of a hearing. Leave to question witnesses is also dealt with separately and the requirement to apply for leave to question is set out in paragraphs 6 to 8 of Minute 23.

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

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Coral Shaw – Chair

Date: 12 August 2022