



Abuse in Care

Royal Commission of Inquiry

MINUTE 4 – CONTEXTUAL HEARING

21 October 2019

- [1] As previously advised in Minute 3, the Royal Commission’s contextual hearing will commence at 10am on Tuesday 29 October 2019 at the Rydges Hotel in Auckland.
- [2] A number of applications have been received for leave to appear at the contextual hearing. Leave to appear is granted to the following parties:
- a. Cooper Legal;
 - b. Annette Sykes & Co on behalf of the claimants of Wai 2494 and Wai 2891;
 - c. The Salvation Army;
 - d. The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia;
 - e. Te Rōpū Tautoko on behalf of the Bishops and Congregational Leaders of the Catholic Church in Aotearoa New Zealand;
 - f. The Human Rights Commission; and
 - g. The Crown.
- [3] Three parties have sought permission to make short statements at the hearing: Te Rōpū Tautoko, the Human Rights Commission and the Crown. Those requests are granted, subject to the Commission’s discretion as to the content and timing of the statements, which may be addressed at the hearing.
- [4] No applications for leave to question witnesses are granted at this stage. Existing applications (and any subsequent applications) will be assessed on a witness by witness basis at the hearing.

- [5] Before granting leave to question a witness, the Inquiry will require adequate detail about the proposed areas of questioning. This may be provided in advance of the hearing in writing, or orally at the conclusion of the evidence-in-chief of each witness.
- [6] In relation to survivor witnesses, the Inquiry will need to be persuaded that any proposed questioning is appropriate and can be carried out without causing unnecessary distress. In such a case, the Inquiry may direct that proposed topics are dealt with by Counsel Assisting rather than by counsel for a party.
- [7] A hearing schedule is attached to this minute. While subject to change, this is the intended order in which witnesses will be called at the hearing.
- [8] Late applications for leave to appear and/or permission to question a witness may be considered by the Inquiry at any time, at the Inquiry's discretion, and subject to the obligation of fairness.
- [9] As previously advised, the hearing will be open to the public, and live streamed on the Inquiry's website: www.abuseincare.org.nz.

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Contextual Public Hearing: 29 October – 8 November 2019

WEEK 1

Tuesday 29 October

Opening Address – Counsel Assist Simon Mount QC

1. Judge Henwood
2. Keith Wiffin
3. Arthur Taylor

Wednesday 30 October

4. Rawiri Waretini-Karena
5. Alison Green
6. Moana Jackson
7. Fa'afete Taito

Thursday 31 October

8. Oliver Sutherland
9. Kim Workman
10. Aaron Smale

Friday 1 November

11. Brigit Mirfin-Veitch
12. Hillary Stace
13. Mary O'Hagan

WEEK 2

Monday 4 November

- 14. Sonja Cooper and Amanda Hill
- 15. Rosslyn Noonan
- 16. Elizabeth Stanley

Tuesday 5 November

- 17. Robert Martin
- 18. Anne Else
- 19. Maria Haenga-Collins (to be confirmed)
- 20. Dallas Pickering

Wednesday 6 November

- 21. Michael Tarren-Sweeney
- 22. Charlene Rapsey
- 23. Tracey McIntosh

Thursday 7 November

- 24. Beverley Wardle-Jackson – statement to be read
- 25. Annasophia Calmann
- 26. Judge Andrew Becroft

Friday 8 November

- 27. Mike Ledingham
- 28. Peter Wilkinson and Des Cahill