

**Te Rūnanga o Awarua, Department of Conservation and Environment Southland,
Resource consent applications for the periodic opening of the Waituna Lagoon,
Kapuka South, Southland. (APP-20242456)
Minute #11**

1. By 3pm on 5 September 2025, we received four (4) written responses from submitters commenting on; the clarification as to the risk assessment, the hearing and questioning of Dr Robertson, and/or the JWS on recommended consent conditions as set out in Minute #8. These comments were distributed to the Applicants and other parties.
2. This morning, we were advised of a late response from a submitter, Mrs van Gool, received at 5.33pm on 5 September 2025. In considering the requirements of section 37 and section 37A of the RMA, we accept the out of time response, finding that no party is unduly prejudiced and the delay is not unreasonable. We request that SRC pass on the late response to the Applicants and other parties.
3. Any correspondence to the Commissioners should be directed through Ms Catherine Ongko (ResourceConsents@es.govt.nz), Hearing Administrator at SRC.



Mark St.Clair
Chair and on behalf of the Panel

8 September 2025