

**IN THE MATTER of
the Resource Management Act 1991**

AND

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**Hearing of submissions and further
submissions on Plan Change 5 to the
Regional Coastal Plan for Southland**

MINUTE 3 – SITE VISIT

1. The purpose of this Minute is to inform the parties of the Panel's decision regarding Real NZ's offer to the Panel to undertake a multi-night site visit aboard one of its vessels into Tāmatea/Dusky Sound and Pātea/Doubtful Sound in August to inform our decision making.
2. The Panel thanks the parties who provided their views to the Panel. Having had regard to the comments provided, the Panel's collective knowledge of the area of interest, the time of year and the scope of PC5, the Panel has decided not to take up the offer of a site visit.
3. The Panel thanks Real NZ for their kind offer and appreciates the opportunity to consider the need for undertaking such a site visit in relation to PC5.
4. Any questions relating to this Minute or the hearing process should be made to the Hearing Administrator, Catherine Ongko either by email at consultation@es.govt.nz or by telephone on 03 211 5115.

Dated: 17 July 2023



Sharon McGarry (Chair)

On behalf of the Hearing Panel