

## Independent Commissioners for hearing Development Contributions objections

All the commissioners are appointed for a three-year term from 8 August 2014.

### *Commissioner biographies:*

**Stephen Abley** is currently the Managing Director of Abley Transportation Consultants. Stephen has extensive engineering experience and has assisted two councils with work that later informed their development contributions policies.

**Mark Apeldoorn** is currently a Director of the Traffic Design Group. Mark has extensive experience in civil engineering with particular expertise in traffic engineering design, urban design in the transport environment, city centre revitalisation and transport supply and demand management.

**Helen Atkins** is currently an environmental and local government law specialist at the Atkins Holm Majurey law firm. Helen is a RMA commissioner, a current board member of the Environmental Risk Management Authority and has previously chaired the Wellington Branch of the New Zealand Planning Institute.

**Simon Berry** is one of the founding partners of Berry Simons law firm and specialises in environmental law. He has been in practice as a specialist environmental law barrister and prior to that spent many years as a partner in two law firms.

**Alan Bickers** is a professional engineer and former Chief Executive of Tauranga City Council. Allan is a Distinguished Fellow of the Institution of Professional Engineers New Zealand and a RMA commissioner.

**Fraser Campbell** is the current Director of Campbell Consulting Limited, an engineering consultancy, and a RMA commissioner. Prior to this, Fraser worked at Palmerston North District Council in several managerial roles.

**Andy Carr** is currently the Director of Carriageway Consulting, a transport engineering consultancy, as well as a RMA commissioner. He is a member of the National Committee of the Resource Management Law Association and is the immediate past Chair of the Canterbury branch of the Association.

**Paul Cooney** is the Partner of law firm CooneyLeesMorgan and acts as Senior Legal Advisor to several territorial authorities. Paul is a RMA commissioner and prior to this was a member of the Casino Control Authority.

**Alan Dormer** is lawyer at Shortland Chambers law firm and specialises in public, environmental and local government law. He also teaches the "Making Good Decisions" programme for RMA commissioners.

**Tauilili Fatu Fuatavai** is currently the Director and Owner of the Airport Garden Inn Hotel, Trident Tavern and Gordys Bar. He is a commercial and residential property investor. Prior to this he was a Site Engineer working on various high rise buildings and civil engineering projects.

**Harriet Fraser** is currently an Independent Consultant at Harriet Fraser Traffic Engineering and Transportation Planning. Harriet has extensive engineering experience with particular focus on traffic engineering and transportation planning.

**Brian Hasell** is an Engineer, and the current Director of Hasell Consulting Limited. He has also been the Wellington Regional Manager for Transit New Zealand and the Chief Executive of Ashburton District Council.

**David Hutchison** is currently the Chief Civil Engineer at Downer New Zealand, a role he has held since 2008. He has extensive experience as a civil engineer.

**Susan Jackson** is experienced both as a civil engineer and local government councillor. She is currently a RMA commissioner, self-employed and in her final year of study for a Graduate Diploma in Business (Dispute Resolution).

**Steven Kerr** is currently a Principal Planner at Montgomery Watson Harza New Zealand. He also has planning experience from his time at CPG/Spiire, Telecom New Zealand Limited, BECA and at several New Zealand territorial authorities, including Upper Hutt City Council, Taupo District Council and Tauranga City Council. Steven is also a RMA commissioner.

**David McLernon** is currently a Director, Project Manager and Project Director at Octa Associates Limited. David has specialist knowledge in engineering.

**Philip Milne** is a lawyer with many years' experience in the local government and environmental law field. He is currently a practicing Barrister at Waterfront Chambers in Wellington.

**Graham Nielsen** is currently a Management Consultant for SPM Consultants Limited. Graham has extensive experience in mechanical engineering, and has local government knowledge from years working for various councils in the Auckland region.

**Pamela Peters** is currently a consultant based in Auckland and a RMA commissioner. Pamela was the Mayor of Whangarei from 2004 to 2007 and was Deputy Mayor and a councillor for nine years prior to that.

**Gary Rae** is currently a planning consultant based in Nelson and a RMA commissioner. Gary Rae was a regional planner for Transit New Zealand, Principal Planner at Works Consultancy Services, and prior to that an Area Planner at Christchurch City Council.

**Cindy Robinson** specialises in law and is currently the Director of a resource management consultancy firm. She has experience as a board member and chairman of Arts Centre of Christchurch Trust and was previously a partner at Duncan Cotterill law firm.

**Gregory Shaw** is currently the Chief Executive of both Dalian Blue Sea Marina Design Company Limited and the Trade China Group Limited. Gregory also owns an engineering consultancy called The Consulting Group 2006 Limited. Gregory has specialist knowledge in engineering, both civil and structural, and also has experience in negotiation and problem solving.

**Craig Shearer** has specialist knowledge in planning, and local government knowledge from experience working for regional councils, including many years at Auckland Regional Council. He is

currently the owner of Shearer Consulting Limited, providing input in to resource management processes.

**Darrell Statham** is currently the Principal of Statham Consulting Limited. He has extensive civil engineering experience and specialises in civil design, economic evaluation and project management.

**Mark St Clair** is a Principal and Co-Director of Hill Young Cooper Limited, a strategic resource management and environmental policy and planning consultancy. He is also a RMA commissioner, a member of the New Zealand Planning Institute and the Resource Management Law Association. Mark has worked previously as both a Senior Planning Consultant at GHD and has held policy and planning positions at Manukau City and Hutt City Councils.

**Gina Sweetman** is a RMA commissioner. She is also an experienced planner, currently working at Sweetman Planning Services. She is familiar with local government and Māori issues through work as a RMA commissioner, and planning and policy advisor for both the public and private sector.