

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991 (**RMA**)

AND

IN THE MATTER of resource consent applications by **Gisborne District Council – Community Lifelines** for construction and upgrading of approximately 4.2 kilometres of stopbanks, associated earthworks, road raising, drainage and stormwater infrastructure, works within and adjacent to the Waipaoa River, temporary water take and discharge activities during construction, vegetation clearance, temporary access works, service relocations, and landscape planting and site reinstatement.

SECTION 41 RMA - DIRECTION #7

INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL

PURPOSE

1. The purpose of this Direction is to confirm the formal closure of the hearing and the due date for a decision on the applications.

DIRECTIONS

2. The Panel received the applicant's right of reply on 09 October 2026. After considering the information provided, the Panel is satisfied it has all the information required to make a decision.
3. The Panel advises that the hearing is now closed and the due date for the decision is **Monday 09 November 2026**.
4. Any enquiries regarding this Direction or related matters should be directed to the Council at NotifiedRC@gdc.govt.nz.



Cam Twigley (Chair)
Independent Hearing Panel

Date: 16 October 2026