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REMIT:

NZILA 2022 Annual General Meeting – Item for the Agenda

Item: NZILA 1.2 Guideline Document

I would like to table the updating of the NZILA Best Practice Guide Visual Simulations 10.2 (**BPG 10.2**) as an item for discussion at the AGM this year.

Firstly, I acknowledge that a significant amount of work has gone into the Te Tangi a te Manu: Aotearoa New Zealand Landscape Assessment Guidelines with the final draft being issued later this year. To my mind the BPG 10.2 is a key aspect of assessment work and sits alongside the Landscape Assessment Guidelines. Therefore, I would like to see the NZILA ask its members to indicate their availability to assist with updating this document.

My three main reasons for why I think this should occur is:

1. This document was created in November 2010. This is a year after the first iPhone was released in NZ and we were using Adobe Photoshop 6 at Uni. Technology has come a long way since then and the current document does not fully reflect the capabilities of technology today.
2. This document primarily focuses on preparing visual simulations, which it is titled. However, it is common practice to refer to this document when outlining how a panorama photo was taken. From my experience, this document misses important information that would assist budding landscape architects and decision makers with accurate and consistent graphic representation of photographs.
3. In my opinion, the way in which we as Landscape Architects, present photographs, in reports and evidence should be more consistent across the board. Some people do not follow the current guidelines very well and this can result in photographs misrepresenting a view, which in turn can be misleading and create unnecessary confusion for a decision maker.

As mentioned, the purpose of this Agenda Item is to put the wheels in motion with the intention of preparing an updated version of this document over the next year or two.



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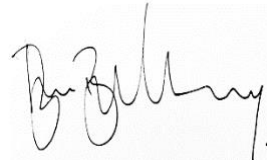
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