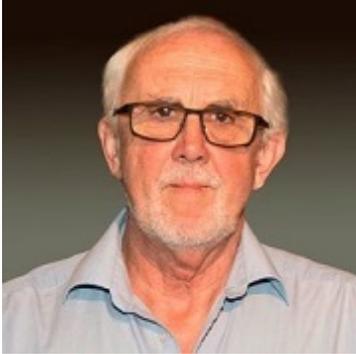


# Resource Management - The Next Generation

## Speakers

### Gary Taylor QSO, Chairman & Executive Director, Environmental Defence Society



Gary has extensive experience in corporate governance, having been the Chairman of the Auckland Area Health Board, the Climate Change and Business Centre (Australia) and the Peoples Centre Health Trust. He has been a director of Watercare Services Ltd, Infrastructure Auckland, the Queen Elizabeth National Trust, the Auckland Regional Transport Authority and the Hobsonville Land Company. He has also been a city and regional councillor. Gary is an experienced environmental policy analyst and consultant and is currently Executive Director of EDS.

### Stephen Selwood, Chief Executive Infrastructure New Zealand



Stephen is the Chief Executive of Infrastructure New Zealand, the peak infrastructure body in New Zealand. He is an expert on the infrastructure sector with a deep understanding of governance, strategy, regulation, funding, delivery and management. He has undertaken extensive research of infrastructure policy implementation and delivery within New Zealand and overseas. Particular areas of expertise include, infrastructure industry leadership, productivity, advanced procurement, investment analysis, communications and stakeholder relationship management. Stephen acts in an advisory capacity to the industry and on government appointed expert advisory groups. He is a member of the NZ Institute of Directors and has held a number of governance positions within the local government sector and charitable organisations.

### Martin J E Williams, Barrister, Shakespeare Chambers



Martin Williams has over 20 years' experience practising in resource management and local government law. He has represented a wide range of private and public sector clients at local authority and appeal hearings, appearing as counsel in several leading Environment and High Court cases as well as in the Court of Appeal and Supreme Court.

Martin also has experience acting for local authorities and Council controlled organisations, including as part of the legal team advising and representing Hawke's Bay Regional Investment Company Ltd regarding the Ruataniwha Water Storage Scheme through the Board of Inquiry process and hearing, and subsequent High Court, Court of Appeal and Supreme Court proceedings. Martin is a former President of the Resource Management Law Association of New Zealand (Inc) serving on the National Committee of that Association for nine years.

While Martin's experience in the Court room is significant, some of the best work in environmental and local Government law is done 'behind the scenes'; through preparation and strategic oversight, employing alternative dispute resolution pathways to avoid the need for a formal hearing. Martin has extensive experience successfully practising in these highly specialised areas of law with that objective. Martin is an accredited Mediator (Resolution Institute) and Hearing Commissioner (Ministry for the Environment).

### Bronwyn Carruthers, Barrister, Shortland Chambers



Bronwyn has specialised in environmental, resource management and local government law since 2000. She started her career at Simpson Grierson, before joining Russell McVeagh in 2011 and becoming a partner in that firm's Environmental, Planning and Natural Resources team later that year. Bronwyn joined Shortland Chambers in December 2018.

As a specialist resource management litigator, Bronwyn has advised on a wide range of Resource Management Act 1991 issues and has experience appearing at all levels of New Zealand's justice system. She has acted for local authorities, infrastructure providers, corporate clients, individuals and not for profit organisations. In addition to obtaining approval for client's projects (or objecting to others' projects), Bronwyn also assists with law reform, plan making, judicial review, declarations, prosecutions and other enforcement action, and advice on the lawfulness or otherwise of certain situations, approaches or decisions.

Bronwyn has been recognised in Doyles Guide 2018 as a preeminent lawyer for Environment and Resource Management and named the New Zealand – Environmental Lawyer of the Year by ACQ5 Global Awards 2018.