

Attachment 1

Bios of Sam Gain and Graeme Pointon

Samantha Gain, Manager Legal & Procurement

Sam joined GWRC's PTOM team in 2013 in the role of Senior Legal Advisor, Bus & Ferry and took up her new role on 31 August 2015.

Sam has over 20 years' experience acting as a lawyer both in and for local government. Prior to joining GWRC she was a Senior Associate at DLA Piper (then Phillips Fox) from 2005. Her work there included acting for GWRC on various public transport related projects (RTPI tender and contracting; rail carriage refurbishments; trolley bus overhead funding agreement); for WCC and various of its CCOs in relation to procurement, contracting, funding and LGA issues; and for other public sector agencies.

Earlier work included advising UK local authorities on PFI (PPP) projects; working in a London Borough on contracts including for social housing projects; a year at Auckland City Environments establishing an in-house legal team; the resource management and commercial property teams of Russell McVeagh in Auckland; and a grounding in general legal practice at Fitzherbert Rowe in Palmerston North.

Graeme Pointon, Asset Management Advisor

Graeme has extensive experience in local government with his past work having focussed on asset management in the property context, dealing with regulatory and policy issues, endowments, trusts, reserves, by-laws, and the like, and Public Works Act acquisitions and disposals (especially for roading purposes). Earlier in his career he worked as a legal executive undertaking a range of residential, rural, and commercial work.

Graeme has a particular interest in trusteeship, stewardship, and the inter-generational aspects of acquisition, ownership, management, and disposal of public assets. He is a Justice of the Peace for NZ – Sworn as a Judicial JP sitting in the District Court.