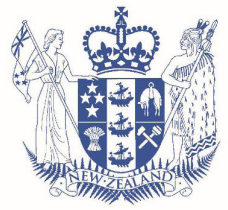


Hon Chris Bishop

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22 January 2026

CB-COR2567-1

Hon Chris Bishop
Minister of Housing
Minister for Infrastructure
Minister of Transport
Parliament Buildings
WELLINGTON 6011

Dear Chris,

Consultation with the Minister for Housing, Infrastructure and Transport about the use of the Streamlined Planning Process (SPP) under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) — Tasman District Council

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The SPP is provided for under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) to achieve an expeditious planning process that is proportional to the scale and complexity of the planning issues involved.

If I approve the application, the standard plan-making process under the RMA no longer applies and a tailored SPP, provided by way of a Ministerial Direction, applies instead. The Direction outlines the steps TDC (the applicant) must follow to complete the requested plan changes. There are limited appeal rights under the SPP.

I am required under clause 76(4)(b) of Schedule 1 of the RMA to consult relevant Ministers of the Crown about the use of the SPP. I am requesting your views as the **Minister of Housing, Minister for Infrastructure** and **Minister of Transport** on whether you consider there are any obligations of the Crown which should be taken into account in my decision-making on the SPP proposed in the **attached** Direction.

Housing

You may have an interest in this process as TDC consider that the PC81/C1 will assist in implementing the National Policy Statement for Urban Development 2020 (NPS-UD) in addressing identified housing capacity shortfalls as a Tier 2 Urban Environment by rezoning land to provide additional development capacity and housing choice.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- the way in or degree to which PC81/C1 would implement the NPS-UD.
- potential impacts on the interests of Kāinga Ora.

Infrastructure

You may have an interest in this process as PC81/C1 will enable growth of existing settlements in a way that may increase or change the location of demand for critical infrastructure.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- the areas proposed for growth and/or intensification and the impacts this may have for infrastructure policy, planning or funding relevant to your portfolio.

Transport

You may have an interest in this process as PC81/C1 will rezone land to meet identified shortfalls in housing and business land capacity, introduce a new Medium Density Residential Zone and commercial centres hierarchy, and will make consequential amendments to transport policies and rules. The proposed changes may impact demand on the transport network.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- whether the New Zealand Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) have any concerns about the impacts of the proposed changes on the state highway network.

Proposed Direction to TDC to use the SPP process

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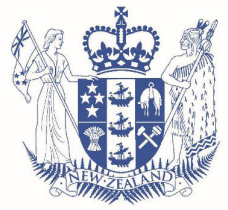
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22 January 2026

CB-COR2567-2

Hon Simeon Brown
Minister of Health
Parliament Buildings
WELLINGTON 6011

Dear Simeon,

Consultation with the Minister of Health about the use of the Streamlined Planning Process (SPP) under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) — Tasman District Council

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You may have an interest in this process as TDC consider that PC81/C1 will rezone land to enable population growth in the region which may increase demand for health care facilities.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- the use of a SPP, the specific process proposed or the Statement of Expectations relating to state-owned health care facilities.

Proposed Direction to TDC to use the SPP process

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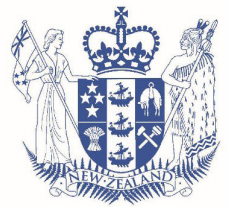
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Associate Minister for Sport and Recreation



22 January 2026

CB-COR2567-3

Hon Erica Stanford
Minister of Education
Parliament Buildings
WELLINGTON 6011

Dear Erica,

Consultation with the Minister of Education about the use of the Streamlined Planning Process (SPP) under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) — Tasman District Council

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I am required under clause 76(4)(b) of Schedule 1 of the RMA to consult relevant Ministers of the Crown about the use of the SPP. I am requesting your views as the Minister of Education, on whether you consider there are any obligations of the Crown which I should take into account in my decision-making on the SPP proposed in the **attached** Direction.

You may have an interest in this process as TDC consider that PC81/C1 will rezone land to enable population growth in the region which may increase demand for educational facilities. In previous engagement with TDC, the Ministry of Education signalled interest in the proposal including the impact of intensification (i.e. increased noise, traffic, safety risks) on schools.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- the use of a SPP, the specific process proposed or the Statement of Expectations relating to state-owned education facilities.

Proposed Direction to TDC to use the SPP process

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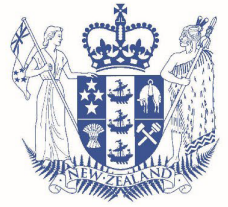
Hon Chris Bishop

Minister Responsible for RMA Reform - Delegated decision-maker on the SPP

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22 January 2026

CB-COR2567-4

Hon Paul Goldsmith
Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage
Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations
Parliament Buildings
WELLINGTON 6011

Dear Paul,

Consultation with the Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage and the Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations about the use of the Streamlined Planning Process (SPP) under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) — Tasman District Council

On 24 September 2025, Tasman District Council (TDC) applied to the Minister for the Environment to use the Streamlined Planning Process (SPP) for the preparation of proposed Plan Change 81 (PC81) to the Tasman Resource Management Plan and Change 1 (C1) to the Tasman Regional Policy Statement. Decision-making on this SPP application has been delegated to me, as the Minister Responsible for RMA Reform, by the Minister for the Environment.

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I am required under clause 76(4)(b) of Schedule 1 of the RMA to consult relevant Ministers of the Crown about the use of the SPP. I am requesting your views as the Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage and the Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations on whether you consider there are any obligations of the Crown which I should take into account in my decision-making on the SPP proposed in the **attached** Direction.

Arts, Culture and Heritage

You may have an interest in this process as TDC consider that PC81/C1 will rezone land to enable more intensive housing development, greenfield housing development, greenfield development, and commercial and industrial activities in new areas. This could potentially have an impact on the existing historic heritage or cultural heritage of the areas where change is proposed.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- whether Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga has any concerns about the potential impact of the proposed changes on historic or cultural heritage.

Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations

TDC has a formal agreement with the eight Te Taihū iwi and Ngāti Wae Wae called the Tasman Environmental Policy Iwi Working Group Partnership Agreement that form the basis of jointly working

with iwi on environmental policy matters. TDC have engaged with iwi through the development of PC81/C1 and the Māpua Masterplan.

The SPP relates to papakāinga development and proposes rezoning in areas previously identified as having cultural significance. TDC has confirmed there is no relevant Mana Whakahono ā Rohe agreement in place and states that there are no requirements in the Treaty of Waitangi Settlement Act relevant to proposed changes or use of a SPP process other than the requirement to have regard to advice received from the River and Freshwater Advisory Committee. TDC has advised that this Committee is currently in abeyance.

TDC identified the following Settlement Acts as relevant:

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In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- any concerns you have about use of a SPP for the process or the specific process proposed in light of Crown Treaty obligations of which you are aware.
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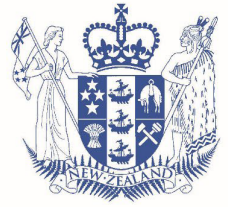
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Associate Minister for Sport and Recreation



22 January 2026

CB-COR2567-5

Hon Mark Mitchell
Minister for Emergency Management and Recovery
Parliament Buildings
WELLINGTON 6011

Dear Mark,

Consultation with the Minister for Emergency Management and Recovery about the use of the Streamlined Planning Process (SPP) under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) — Tasman District Council

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You may have an interest in this process as Tasman District recently experienced significant flooding, with a state of emergency declared in July 2025 and PC81/C1 may intensify urban development and growth in or around these areas.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- the use of a SPP for PC81/C1, in terms of the risk of intensification and growth in the proposed areas, that could exacerbate future hazard risk or impeded current or future response and recovery efforts.

Proposed Direction to TDC to use the SPP process

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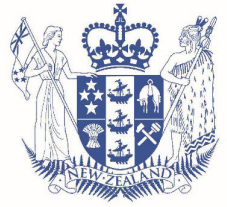
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22 January 2026

CB-COR2567-6

Hon Tama Potaka
Minister of Conservation
Minister for Māori Crown Relations
Parliament Buildings
WELLINGTON 6011

Dear Tama,

Consultation with the Minister of Conservation, Minister for Māori Crown Relations, and the Minister for Māori Development about the use of the Streamlined Planning Process (SPP) under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) — Tasman District Council

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I am required under clause 76(4)(b) of Schedule 1 of the RMA to consult relevant Ministers of the Crown about the use of the SPP. I am requesting your views as the Minister of Conservation, Minister for Māori Crown Relations, and the Minister for Māori Development on whether you consider there are any obligations of the Crown which I should take into account in my decision-making on the SPP proposed in the **attached** Direction.

The SPP relates to papakāinga development and proposes rezoning in areas previously identified as having cultural significance. TDC has confirmed there is no relevant Mana Whakahono ā Rohe agreement in place and states that there are no requirements in the Treaty of Waitangi Settlement Act relevant to proposed changes or use of a SPP process other than the requirement to have regard to advice received from the River and Freshwater Advisory Committee. TDC has advised that this Committee is currently in abeyance.

TDC identified the following Settlement Acts as relevant:

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Conservation

You may have an interest in this process as s80B of the RMA defines the responsible Minister for making decisions on SPP applications is the Minister for the Environment unless the planning instrument is a regional coastal plan or encompasses matters within the jurisdiction of the Minister of Conservation. In the latter case, the Minister of Conservation would also be the responsible Minister for this SPP application and would need to be included in a joint decision on it.

PC81/C1 does not appear to relate to regional coastal plan matters or matters within the jurisdiction of the Minister of Conservation. However, I would like to confirm this with you.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- if any matters encompassed by PC81/C1 are within your jurisdiction as Minister of Conservation in the first instance.
- any concerns about the use of a SPP for PC81/C1 on the basis of previously unidentified effects on the:
 - natural character of the coastal environment, wetlands, lakes and rivers and their margins
 - outstanding natural features or landscapes
 - areas of significant indigenous vegetation or significant habitat of indigenous fauna.

Māori Crown Relations

You may have an interest in this process as decisions on the SPP must have regard to any relevant obligations set out in any iwi participation legislation, including Treaty settlements. You may have relevant information about recent settlements or settlements likely to be reached in the near future that may impact those considerations.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- using a SPP or the proposed Direction having sufficient regard to relevant obligations set out in iwi participation legislation.

Māori Development

You may have an interest in this process as PC81/C1 will amend the existing plan provision to be more enabling of papakāinga development.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- the use of a SPP for PC81/C1 including the procedural steps in the draft Direction and the Statement of Expectations.

Proposed Direction to TDC to use the SPP process

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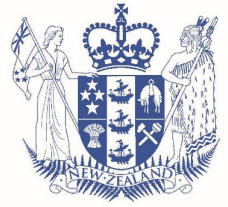
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22 January 2026

CB-COR2567-7

Hon Simon Watts
Minister of Climate Change
Minister of Local Government
Parliament Buildings
WELLINGTON 6011

Dear Simon,

Consultation with the Minister of Climate Change and the Minister of Local Government about the use of the Streamlined Planning Process (SPP) under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) — Tasman District Council

On 24 September 2025, Tasman District Council (TDC) applied to the Minister for the Environment to use the Streamlined Planning Process (SPP) for the preparation of proposed Plan Change 81 (PC81) to the Tasman Resource Management Plan and Change 1 (C1) to the Tasman Regional Policy Statement. Decision-making on this SPP application has been delegated to me, as the Minister Responsible for RMA Reform, by the Minister for the Environment.

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Climate Change

You may have an interest in this process because in preparing PC81/C1, TDC is required to have regard to emissions reduction plans and national adaptation plans made in accordance with the Climate Change Response Act 2002. In addition, the Government has recently issued new national direction to manage natural hazard risk, including consideration of the role that future climate change may have in increasing that risk.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- the use of a SPP for PC81/C1 including the identification of appropriate expertise for the SPP Panel and the Minister's Statement of Expectations with respect to management of risk from future climate.

- Implications that the new National Policy Statement on Natural Hazards (NPS-NH) is likely to have timeframe or other procedural implications if this SPP is directed.

Local Government

You may have an interest in this process as in the past Fire and Emergency New Zealand (FENZ) has expressed an interest in district plan changes that could affect emergency response.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

- whether Fire and Emergency New Zealand (FENZ) have any concerns about the use of a SPP for PC81/C1 in terms of the risk of intensification and growth in the proposed areas exacerbating future hazard risk or impeding operations.

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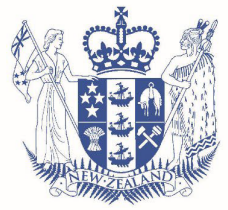
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Dear Leonie,

Consultation with Tasman District Council about the use of Streamlined Planning Process (SPP) under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA)

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I am consulting with you as the applicant local authority, as required under Clause 76(4)(a) of Schedule 1 of the RMA, about my proposed Direction (**attached**).

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 - d. additional cost benefit analysis for the Medium Density Design Matrix
- b. adding a further submission stage and opportunity for submitters to identify errors in the draft recommendations report.
- c. a progress update to the Minister in sufficient time to enable consideration of any extension to the process or other amendments to the Direction if required

- d. circulation of draft reports and recommendations by the SPP Panel to enable minor and technical errors to be identified and amended prior to decisions
- e. an additional 40 days to the overall process to enable those additional steps

In particular, I am interested in whether:

- you have any views on the proposed changes to the version of the Direction proposed by TDC.
- you have any comments on the proposed Statement of Expectations.
- the time that might be required to update the documents to include the additional information potentially directed prior to notification.

I've included in the Direction a step for TDC to include additional economic evidence evaluating the costs and benefits of the Medium Density Design Matrix. I note that the section 32 report provided with this application lists an economics report as Appendix 11 but this was not included with the application. If TDC's view is that this report has already met this requirement, please include a copy of it with your response.

Please also confirm that there are no substantive applicable changes relevant to the application since it was lodged that I should take into account before making my final decision.

I would like to receive any comments you may have to make on my proposed Direction, **within 15 working days**.

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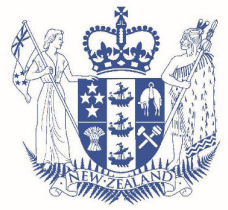
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Dear Nigel,

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I am consulting with you as an interested party, under clause 76(5) of Schedule 1 of the RMA, about the potential use of a SPP for these planning instruments and on my proposed Direction (**attached**).

You may have an interest in this process because TDC shares a Tier 2 urban environment with NCC and the two councils have collaborated on the Nelson Tasman Future Development Strategy 2022-2052. This FDS identifies how you plan to work together to achieve well-functioning urban environments and provide sufficient development capacity for growth in the region.

In particular, I would be interested if you have any comments on:

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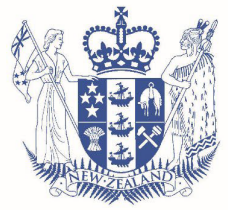
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