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Ministers of/for:

Infrastructure; Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti; Housing; Education; Arts, Culture, and Heritage; Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations; Local Government; Conservation; Land Information; Defence; Transport; and Climate Change

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Dear Ministers

COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 – comments sought on referral application – Beachside Mission Bay Project

Drive Holdings Limited has applied to refer the Beachside Mission Bay Project (project) to an expert consenting panel (panel) for consideration under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 (FTCA). This letter is sent to you pursuant to section 21(2) of the FTCA.

The purpose of the FTCA is to urgently promote employment to support New Zealand's recovery from the economic and social impacts of COVID-19 and to support certainty of investment while continuing to promote the sustainable management of natural and physical resources.

The project is described in Appendix A, and the application documents are in Attachment 1.

I invite you to provide written comments on the referral application. If I accept the application and the project is referred, the applicant will be able to lodge applications with the Environmental Protection Authority for the approvals needed under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) for the project, and a panel will be appointed to consider and decide them. The applicant must provide a more detailed environmental assessment and cultural impact assessments as part of their RMA applications. You will have an opportunity at that stage to provide comments to the panel.

Please provide your comments via return email within 10 working days if you wish me to take them into consideration when deciding whether or not to accept the referral application.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Parker', with a stylized, cursive script.

Hon David Parker
Minister for the Environment

Appendix:

- A. Description of proposed project

Attachment:

1. Application to refer Beachside Mission Bay Project to an expert consenting panel, including supporting information (Databox link in covering email)

Attachment A - Proposed project

Project	Applicant	Details
Beachside Mission Bay	Drive Holdings Limited	<p>The project is to develop a 6527 square metre site in Mission Bay, Auckland and construct a mixed-use development comprising 7 buildings (5 storeys high, to an allowable building height of 16 metres occupiable, 18 metres maximum) located above 2 basement carparking levels, that include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• approximately 140-170 residential units• approximately 2404 squares metres of commercial and retail tenancy space• private communal open space• vehicle and bicycle parking. <p>The project site is located over a block of 10 lots at 75-97 Tamaki Drive, 6-14 Patteson Avenue, and 26-30 Marau Crescent, Mission Bay, Auckland.</p> <p>The project will involve activities such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• demolishing existing buildings, infrastructure and structures• carrying out earthworks (including basement construction and disturbance of contaminated land)• constructing 7 buildings comprising 5 storeys and 2 basement carparking levels• constructing or installing structures and infrastructure including accessways for vehicles, loading and parking areas, and three-waters services• taking and diverting groundwater• discharging groundwater, stormwater and contaminants to land• landscaping and planting including removal of street trees• any other activities that are:<ul style="list-style-type: none">– associated with the activities described above– within the scope of the project as described above.