

BRF-2686

27 February 2023

Dave Chambers
Chief Executive Officer
Watercare Services Limited
s 9(2)(a)

Dear Dave Chambers

COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-Track Consenting) Act 2020 – comments sought on referral application – Quarterdeck Project

The Minister for the Environment (Minister) has received an application from Box Property Investments Limited to refer the Quarterdeck Project (project) to an expert consenting panel (a panel) for consideration under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 (FTCA).

The purpose of the FTCA is to 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.

Watercare may have an interest in the project because it may impact the local three waters network. Under delegated authority from the Minister and pursuant to section 21(3) of the FTCA, I invite Watercare's written comments on the referral application. A template is provided for this purpose in Attachment 2.

The above information is provided to you in confidence and as part of the statutory process set out in the FTCA. Please do not forward the application or request for comments to anyone outside your organisation.


If the Minister accepts the application and the project is referred to a panel, the applicant will be able to lodge applications with the Environmental Protection Authority for the approvals needed under the Resource Management Act 1991. The applicant must provide a detailed assessment of environmental effects and cultural impact assessment(s) as part of this process.

Please provide comments via return email within 10 working days to ensure that the Minister takes them into consideration when deciding whether or not to accept the referral

application. Note that the Minister is not required to consider any comments provided after this time.

If you would like more information about the fast-track consenting process, or to discuss the application, please contact the Ministry for the Environment's Fast-track Consenting Team at fasttrackconsenting@mfe.govt.nz to arrange an appointment.

Yours sincerely



Madeleine Berry
Acting Manager, Fast-track Consenting Team

Appendix:

A. Details of proposed project

Attachments:

1. Application to refer the Quarterdeck Project to an expert consenting panel, including supporting information (Databox link in covering email)
2. Response template for written comments

cc: Katja Huls, Development Programme Lead, s 9(2)(a)
Shane Lawton, Head of Developer Services, s 9(2)(a)

Appendix A - Proposed project

Project	Applicant	Details
Quarterdeck Project	Box Property Investments Limited	<p>The project is to subdivide land and construct approximately 70 residential units within 12 two-storey (up to 6.5 metre) terraced houses and three 4-storey (up to 13.8 metre) apartment buildings at 30 and 40 Sandspit Road and 2 and 4 Reydon Place, Cockle Bay, Howick, Auckland and the adjacent road reserve. The project will include approximately 96 basement car parks for the apartments and communal parking for the terraced houses, communal outdoor area.</p> <p>The project will include activities such as site clearance, demolishing buildings or structures, carrying out earthworks, discharging stormwater and contaminants to land, taking and diverting groundwater, constructing residential buildings, basement car parks, constructing and replacing infrastructure, landscaping and planting, and road berm upgrades.</p>