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Dear Ministers

COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 – comments sought on applications for referral – Scott Road Development Project and Omāhu Residential Development Project

I have received two applications to refer a project to an expert consenting panel (a 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 aim 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 and meet Treaty of Waitangi obligations.

The projects are described in the enclosed schedule, and copies of the applications are electronically attached.

I invite you under section 21(2) of the FTCA to provide written comments on the referral applications. I note that if these projects are 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. A more detailed environmental assessment and cultural impact assessments will be required as part of these 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 making a decision on whether or not to accept the applications and refer the projects to a panel.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Parker'.

Hon David Parker
Minister for the Environment

Enclosures:

- A. Schedule of proposed projects
- B. Application to refer Scott Road Development project to an expert consenting panel, including supporting information
- C. Application to refer Omāhu Residential Development project to an expert consenting panel, including supporting information

Released under the provision of
the Official Information Act 1982

Appendix A - Schedule of proposed projects

Project	Applicant	Details
Scott Road Development	Aedifice Development Limited	The Project is for the subdivision of 7.5ha of land and the development of approximately 425 residential units including landscaping and upgrading of three waters services and the formation of a coastal esplanade reserve at 4 Scott Road, Hobsonville, Auckland. It will involve activities such as: earthworks (including bulk earthworks and on contaminated land) and associated discharges; earthworks within 10m of a natural wetland; water takes and diversions; discharge of groundwater, stormwater, and contaminants; construction of three waters services; discharge of untreated wastewater overflows; construction of 44 buildings between 203 storeys with a maximum height of 11m; construction of vehicle access and parking areas; landscaping including plantings; creation of a coastal esplanade reserve to be vested in Auckland Council.
Omāhu Residential Development	Urban Resort Limited/Icon Co Pty (NZ) Limited	The Project is for the subdivision of 1.4685ha of land and the development of approximately 205 residential units with ancillary hospitality, retail, parking and landscaping at 224 Great South Road, Remuera, Auckland. It will involve activities such as: demolition of existing buildings and infrastructure; earthworks (including bulk earthworks and contaminated land) and associated discharges; water takes and diversions; discharges of groundwater, stormwater and contaminants; construction of three waters infrastructure; construction of 7 buildings between 4-7 storeys (with a maximum height of 22.6m) and one level below ground; construction of vehicle access and loading areas; landscaping including planting.