



Cabinet

Minute of Decision

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COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 14) 2021

Portfolio **Environment**

On 1 November 2021, Cabinet:

- 1 **noted** that the Minister for the Environment has decided under section 24 of the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 to accept the applications for referral of the following projects to a panel:
 - 1.1 Kiwi Property Holdings No 2 Limited's Drury Centre Precinct project;
 - 1.2 Oyster Capital Limited's Waihoehoe Precinct project;
 - 1.3 Fulton Hogan Land Development's Drury East Stage 1 Precinct project;
- 2 **noted** that Kiwi Property Holdings No 2 Limited's Drury Centre Precinct project meets the eligibility criteria in section 18 of the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020, and is considered to help achieve the Act's purpose by having the potential to:
 - 2.1 generate employment by providing up to 440 direct full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs per year during the four-year planning and construction period;
 - 2.2 improve economic and employment opportunities and outcomes for people affected by COVID-19 (retailers and hospitality), and have positive effects on social wellbeing, by providing infrastructure for roading and three waters to service large format buildings for retail activities and future residential development;
 - 2.3 improve environmental outcomes through revegetation of riparian areas of Hingaia Stream;
- 3 **noted** that Oyster Capital Limited's Waihoehoe Precinct project meets the eligibility criteria in section 18 of the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020, and is considered to help achieve the Act's purpose by having the potential to:
 - 3.1 generate employment by providing up to 670 direct full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs per year during the four-year planning and construction period;
 - 3.2 increase housing supply through the construction of approximately 376 new residential units;

- 4 **noted** that Fulton Hogan Land Development's Drury East Stage 1 Precinct project meets the eligibility criteria in section 18 of the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020, and is considered to help achieve the Act's purpose by having the potential to:
- 4.1 generate employment by providing up to 590 direct full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs per year during the four-year planning and construction period;
 - 4.2 increase housing supply through the construction of approximately 248 new residential units;
- 5 **noted** that the Drury Centre Precinct, Waihoehoe Precinct and Drury East Stage 1 Precinct projects all have the potential to progress faster using the Act's processes than would otherwise be the case under standard Resource Management Act 1991 processes, provided that the applicants lodge their applications for resource consent with the Environmental Protection Agency in a timely manner following project referral;
- 6 **noted** that the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 14) 2021 requires Kiwi Property Holdings No 2 Limited, Oyster Capital Limited, and Fulton Hogan Land Development to provide to an expert consenting panel for their respective projects: an assessment against the outcomes of the Drury – Opāheke Structure Plan; subdivision design assessment and plans; an assessment of the existing roading infrastructure and any necessary upgrades; an integrated transport assessment; an assessment of the existing three waters infrastructure and any necessary upgrades; and, for the Drury Centre Precinct project only, an assessment of any effects arising from the project's proximity to the National Grid transmission lines, as detailed respectively in Appendices three, four and five of the submission attached to CAB-21-SUB-0445;
- 7 **noted** that the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 14) 2021 requires an expert consenting panel to seek comments from Ngāti Koheriki Claims Committee, NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi, Auckland Transport and Watercare Services Limited, for each of the Drury Centre Precinct, Waihoehoe Precinct, and Drury East Stage 1 Precinct projects as listed respectively in Appendices three, four and five;
- 8 **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 14) 2021 [PCO 24208/5.0];
- 9 **noted** that on 27 July 2020, Cabinet agreed to waivers of the 28-day rule so that Orders in Council made under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 can come into force as soon as they are notified in the New Zealand Gazette [CAB-20-MIN-0353];
- 10 **noted** that the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 14) 2021 will come into force on 5 November 2021.

Michael Webster
Secretary of the Cabinet