

## **Cabinet**

## **Minute of Decision**

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## COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 15) 2021 - Flints Park

Portfolio Environment

On 22 November 2021, Cabinet:

- 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 Glenpanel Development Limited's Flint's Park, Ladies Mile Te Pūtahi project to a panel;
- noted that Glenpanel Development Limited's Flint's Park, Ladies Mile Te Pūtahi 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 have positive effects on social well-being by providing additional housing in an area that has a housing shortage, and by providing public open space;
  - 2.2 generate employment by providing approximately 181 full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs per year over a five-year construction period;
  - 2.3 increase housing supply by developing approximately 384 residential units (or approximately 179 residential units if a school is constructed);
  - progress faster using the Act's processes than would otherwise be the case under standard Resource Management Act 1991 processes, provided that the applicant lodges their applications for resource consents with the Environmental Protection Agency in a timely manner following project referral;

**noted** that the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 15) 2021 requires Glenpanel Development Limited to provide to an expert consenting panel an assessment against the Queenstown Lakes Spatial Plan, an assessment against Plan Change 8 to the Otago Regional Plan, an infrastructure assessment, an integrated transport assessment, a greenhouse gas emissions assessment and an archaeological assessment, as detailed in Appendix three to the submission under CAB-21-SUB-0485;

- 4 **noted** that the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 15) 2021 requires an expert consenting panel appointed to consider Glenpanel Development Limited's Flint's Park, Ladies Mile Te Pūtahi project to seek comments from Aukaha and Te Ao Mārama Incorporated (as agents of the relevant Ngāi Tahu Papatipu Rūnanga) and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, as listed in Appendix three;
- authorised the submission to the Executive Council of the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 15) 2021 [PCO 24243/8.0];
- 6 **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];
- 7 **noted** that the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 15) 2021 will come into force on 26 November 2021.

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