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Dear s 9(2)(a)

**COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-Track Consenting) Act 2020 - Notice of Decision (Section 25)  
– Karori Comprehensive Care Retirement Village**

Thank you for your application to refer Karori Comprehensive Care Retirement Village to an expert consenting panel for consideration under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 (the Act).

The application is to construct and operate a retirement village and associated activities including independent living apartments and hospital and specialist care facilities.

I have considered the application, a report on Treaty of Waitangi obligations, comments received from relevant local authorities and Ministers, and further information provided by the applicant.

Having considered this information, and the requirements of sections 18 and 19 of the Act, I have made a decision, under section 23 of the Act, to **decline** your application for referral as I do not consider the Act's purpose would be achieved by fast-tracking the application and it is more appropriate for the project to continue to go through standard consenting processes under section 23(5)(b) the Resource Management Act.

As required by the Act, my decision, reasons for my decision and the section 17 report will be published on the Ministry for the Environment's website under section 25(3).

Please contact officials at the Ministry for the Environment ([fasttrackconsenting@mfe.govt.nz](mailto:fasttrackconsenting@mfe.govt.nz)) if you have any questions or wish to discuss this decision.

Yours sincerely



Hon David Parker  
**Minister for the Environment**

cc

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

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