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Ministers of/for:

Infrastructure; Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti; Housing; Education; Arts, Culture, and Heritage; Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations; Local Government; Conservation; Land Information; Defence; Transport; Climate Change; and Associate Minister for the Environment (urban policy)

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Dear Ministers

COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 – comments sought on referral application – Oderings Brookvale Road MDR Project

Oderings Nurseries CHCH Limited has applied to refer the Oderings Brookvale Road MDR Project (project) to an expert consenting panel (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 purpose 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.

The project is described in Appendix A, and the application documents are in Attachment 1.

I invite you to provide written comments on the referral application. If I accept the application and the project is referred, the applicant will be able to lodge applications with the Environmental Protection Authority for the approvals needed under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) for the project, and a panel will be appointed to consider and decide them. The applicant must provide a more detailed environmental assessment and cultural impact assessment(s) as part of their RMA 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 deciding whether or not to accept the referral application.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Parker', with a stylized, cursive script.

Hon David Parker
Minister for the Environment

Appendix:

A. Description of proposed project

Attachment:

1. Application to refer Oderings Brookvale Road MDR Project to an expert consenting panel, including supporting information (Databox link in covering email)

Attachment A - Proposed project

Project	Applicant	Details
Oderings Brookvale Road MDR Project	Oderings Nurseries CHCH Limited	The project is to subdivide an approximately 2-hectare site and construct a housing development at 55 and 57 Brookvale Road, Havelock North, Hawke's Bay. The project will create 35 residential lots and additional lots for access (including new public access points to Guthrie Park), and includes the construction of 35 residential units, private roads, a parking area for the existing Oderings Garden Centre operation, and connections to and construction of three waters services. The Oderings Garden Centre is intended to continue operating, and has recently gained resource consent to establish and operate a café.