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Dear Ministers

COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 – comments sought on referral application – One Tasman, Pukeahu Park

I have received an application to refer a project Willis Bond and Company Limited has applied to refer the One Tasman, Pukeahu Park 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 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 Attachment A, and a copy of the application is electronically attached.

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 panel will be appointed to consider and decide them. The applicant must provide more detailed environmental assessment and cultural impact assessment 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', is positioned below the text 'Yours sincerely'.

Hon David Parker
Minister for the Environment

Attachments:

- A. Description of proposed project
- B. Application to refer One Tasman, Pukeahu Park project to an expert consenting panel, including supporting information

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the Official Information Act 1982

Attachment A - Proposed project

Project	Applicant	Details
One Tasman, Pukeahu Park	Willis Bond and Company Limited	<p>The Project is to redevelop two suburban properties covering approximately 5,000 square metres, to replace existing vacant residential buildings with two apartment buildings and terraced housing that will provide approximately 213 residential units (in a range of housing typologies including studios and one, two, three and four-bedroom units), a café, workspace (for office or retail) and indoor multi-use space. The applicant intends to deliver the Project in two stages with construction completed at the beginning of 2025.</p> <p>The Project site is located on the north-east corner of Tasman Street, Mount Cook, Wellington, adjacent to the former Dominion Museum site (now part of the Massey University campus), and the Pukeahu National War Memorial Park</p> <p>The Project involves demolition of earthquake-prone and/or weather-tightness compromised buildings, earthworks, construction of two apartment buildings (up to nine and a half storeys), terraced housing (up to three storeys) and associated infrastructure, and subdivision.</p>

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