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Janine Dowding Chief Executive Officer Tasman District Council s 9(2)(a)

Dear Janine Dowding

COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-Track Consenting) Act 2020 – Vines Affordable Subdivision – Comments sought

In the week commencing 20 July 2020, I received an application to refer the above project to an expert consenting panel for consideration under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 (the Act). The proposed project is located within the Tasman District.

The project is described as follows, and a copy of the application is attached:

The Vines Affordable Subdivision, Jason and Angela Mudgway, 115 Main Road Hope, Hope, Richmond

Create 48 residential allotments, as well as additional allotments for roads, a recreation reserve and a walkway reserve.

I invite you to provide written comments on the proposed project pursuant to section 21(2) of the Act. I am seeking specific comment on the matters outlined in the table below and any further information you consider relevant to my decision on whether to refer the project to an expert consenting panel. If it is more efficient to discuss this application, my officials from the Fast-track Consenting Team will be available for a discussion with you. Please contact officials at fasttrackconsenting@mfe.govt.nz.

Also note that if I decide to refer the project to a panel, you will have the opportunity to nominate a local authority representative (who could be a councillor or independent hearings commissioner) to sit on the panel and determine the application. Applicants will provide a detailed assessment of environmental effects at this next stage and you will have the opportunity to provide further comments to the panel. The Ministry for the Environment has prepared guidance on local authority involvement with fast-track consenting projects which you can access on the Ministry for the Environment website.



Information requirements

- Confirm that the assessment undertaken by the Tasman District Council to determine if the Vines Affordable Subdivision is appropriate to be a Special Housing Area is still valid (Document reference: Location Summary T02-11)
- 2. How the development aligns with the Tasman Resource Management Plan and the Nelson Tasman Future Development Strategy
- Compliance and enforcement history for the applicant (or known associated companies).

Please provide your comments via return email no later than 10 working days so that I can take your comments into consideration when I decide on the application.

Yours sincerely

Hon David Parker Minister for the Environment

Enclosures:

A. Application to refer The Vines Affordable Subdivision project to expert consenting panel including supporting information

CC: Andrew Strand, Team Leader Consents Tasman District Council, s 9(2)(a)