



Cabinet

Minute of Decision

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COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 7) 2022

Portfolio Environment

On 19 April 2022, Cabinet:

- 1 **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 following projects to a panel:
 - 1.1 Sanctum Projects Limited's Waimarie Street project;
 - 1.2 Glenpanel Development Limited's Flint's Park West, Ladies Mile – Te Pūtahi project;
- 2 **noted** that the Waimarie Street project meets the eligibility criteria in section 18(3) of the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020, and will help achieve the Act's purpose, as required by section 18(2) of the Act, by:
 - 2.1 generating employment by providing approximately 212 full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs over a 2- to 3-year construction period;
 - 2.2 increasing housing supply through the construction of approximately 58 residential units;
 - 2.3 contributing to a well-functioning urban environment by providing a variety of housing types in a location with good access to community services, public transport, and natural and open spaces;
 - 2.4 progressing faster using the Act's processes than would otherwise be the case under standard Resource Management Act 1991 processes;
- 3 **noted** that the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 7) 2022 requires Sanctum Projects Limited to provide to an expert consenting panel an infrastructure assessment, a stormwater assessment, an integrated transport assessment, an urban design assessment, and a contamination investigation, as detailed in Appendix three;

- 4 **noted** that the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 7) 2022 requires an expert consenting panel appointed to consider Sanctum Projects Limited's Waimarie Street project to seek comments from the Ngāti Koheriki Claims Committee and Watercare Services Limited, as listed in Appendix three;
- 5 **noted** that the Flint's Park West, Ladies Mile – Te Pūtahi project meets the eligibility criteria in section 18(3) of the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020, and will help achieve the Act's purpose, as required by section 18(2) of the Act, by:
- 5.1 having positive effects on social wellbeing by generating employment and providing additional housing in a range of typologies in an area with a housing shortage;
 - 5.2 generating employment by providing approximately 617 direct FTE jobs over a 6-year construction period, or 391 direct FTE jobs and 58 ongoing jobs if a state-integrated school is developed;
 - 5.3 increasing housing supply through the provision of up to 315 residential units, or up to 180 residential units if a state-integrated school is developed;
 - 5.4 progressing faster using the Act's processes than would otherwise be the case under standard Resource Management Act 1991 processes;
- 6 **noted** that the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 7) 2022 requires Glenpanel Development Limited to provide to an expert consenting panel an assessment against the Queenstown Lakes Spatial Plan and Ladies Mile Master Plan, a three-waters infrastructure assessment, a transport infrastructure assessment, an integrated transport assessment, a preliminary site investigation report and a groundwater assessment, as detailed in Appendix four;
- 7 **noted** that the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 7) 2022 requires an expert consenting panel appointed to consider Glenpanel Development Limited's Flint's Park West, Ladies Mile – Te Pūtahi Project to seek comments from the Associate Minister for the Environment (Hon Phil Twyford), Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, Aukaha (1997) Limited and Te Ao Mārama Incorporated, as listed in Appendix four;
- 8 **authorised** the submission of the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 7) 2022 [PCO 24692/8.0] to the Executive Council;
- 9 **noted** that in July 2020, the Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee agreed to waive the standard 28-day rule relating to Orders in Council made under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 [ENV-20-MIN-0033];
- 10 **noted** that, as a result of the decision in paragraph 9, the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Referred Projects Amendment Order (No 7) 2022 will come into force the day after publication in the New Zealand Gazette.

Michael Webster
Secretary of the Cabinet