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Te Kāwanatanga o Aotearoa
New Zealand Government

6 July 2026

FTAA-2606-1247

Sean Park
132 Whangapouri Drury Limited (the applicant)

c/o Rebecca Sanders
Barker and Associates Limited (the agent)
Email: s 9(2)(a)

Dear Rebecca

Request for further information on the referral application of the Whangapouri Road project under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024

Note: The further information response must be received by **Tuesday 28 July 2026, 11.59PM.**

The Minister for Infrastructure (the Minister) has received your referral application for the Whangapouri Road project (the project) under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the Act).

I write under delegation from the Minister and, in accordance with section 20 of the Act, request further information on the following matters, including the current status and anticipated timing of each:

1. the proposed transport upgrades to State Highway 22
2. the proposed public transport and active mode infrastructure, including the Ngākōroa rail station and bus interchange, future feeder bus network, and planned walking and cycling connections
3. the implications of any delay to, or uncertainty regarding, these upgrades and infrastructure for the project's construction programme, including any sequencing or dependency considerations
4. whether, and if so how, the project would proceed in the absence of these upgrades and infrastructure
5. the parties responsible for funding and delivering these upgrades and infrastructure.

To support our subsequent assessment of the referral application subject to section 22 of the Act, we are interested in extent to which:

- the benefits of the project, as described in the application, are contingent on delivery of those wider infrastructure upgrades [to inform consideration under section 22(a)]
- referring the application to the fast-track approvals process:

- would facilitate the project, including by enabling it to be processed in a more timely and cost-effective way that under normal processes, having regard to the effect of the nature and timing of those wider infrastructure upgrades as described in the application [section 22(1)(b)(i)]
- is unlikely to materially affect the efficient operation of the fast-track approvals process, in terms of an expert panels' ability to make a decision on this project (including any appropriate conditions), with regard to the nature and timing of those wider infrastructure upgrades as described in the application [section 22(1)(b)(ii)].

If you wish to provide the information requested, you must respond within **15 working days** of the date of this request (refer to the due date above). The Minister is not required to consider information received outside of this time frame.

Before the due date, please upload any information to the application portal feedback page.

Alternatively, if you wish to email the information or have any queries about this letter, please email to *referral@fasttrack.govt.nz* and include the name of the lead contact – Antonia Croft.

For assistance with the application portal or to update your account details, please email *contact@fasttrack.govt.nz* or phone 0800 FASTRK (0800 327 875).

Yours sincerely



Stephanie Frame
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