
MINUTE 5 OF THE EXPERT PANEL

Suspension of processing

Downtown Carpark Site Development [FTAA-2512-1158] (**Application**)

[13 May 2026]

[1] On 13 May 2026, the Panel received a memorandum from Precinct Properties New Zealand Limited (the **Applicant**) requesting the suspension of the processing of the Application to allow it further time to prepare its response to comments received under section 55(2) of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (**Act**).

[2] Under section 64(4) of the Act the Panel has a discretion to suspend the processing of a substantive application upon the request of an applicant. Where a suspension is granted, written notice of the date on which processing is suspended must be given to any of the parties specified under section 64(a) to (d) of the Act.

[3] The Panel has considered the memorandum from the Applicant and decided to grant the request. This is because the Panel considers it will be assisted in its decision-making task by a fulsome response from the Applicant on the matters raised by persons invited to comment, particularly with respect to the management of construction related effects and conditions of consent. In preparing its response, the extent of the Applicant's engagement with commenting parties on these matters may also avoid the need for requests for information or further reports by the Panel under section 67 of the Act.

[4] Processing of the Downtown Carpark Redevelopment application will therefore be suspended from **11:59pm on 13 May 2026** and will continue until such time as a request is received from the Applicant for the processing to resume.

[5] The Panel also records that Counsel for the Applicant has confirmed that the Applicant is content for the Panel to continue considering the Application throughout the period that processing is suspended.



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Expert Panel Chair