
MINUTE 2 OF THE EXPERT PANEL
Record of Project Overview Conference and Site Visit
Downtown Carpark Site Development [FTAA-2512-1158]
[25 March 2026]

[1] The purpose of this Minute is to briefly record a summary of the Project Overview Conference and site visit that took place on the 24th of March 2026.

Site Visit

[2] The Panel conducted a site visit at approximately 12pm to 1.15pm on 24 March 2026, accompanied by Georgia Tremeer (EPA).

[3] The site visit involved circumnavigating the site with various of the application plans used for orientation. The Panel also walked into the Downtown Carpark building from the pedestrian entry bridge from Customs Street West, viewing the site as they went, and exited the building via the pedestrian bridge over Lower Hobson Street.

[4] Later in the day, the Panel also viewed the site from level 12 of the HSBC building, which enabled views down onto the HSBC carpark and the service lane area.

Project briefing

[5] The project briefing took place at the Applicant's offices on level 12 of the HSBC building from 2pm to 4pm, 24 March 2026.

The following persons from the Applicant's project team were present:

- (a) Simon Pilkinton, Russell McVeagh
- (b) Iain Purdie, Precinct Properties
- (c) Tim Woods, Precinct Properties
- (d) Joe Pihema, Te Kawau
- (e) Grant Kemble, Ngati Whatua Orakei
- (f) Blair Johnston, Warren and Mahoney
- (g) Karl Cook, Barker & Associates
- (h) Louise Espin, Russell McVeagh
- (i) Pamela Santos, Barker & Associates
- (j) Bianca Hurrell, RCP
- (k) Matthew Jones, Isthmus Group

[6] The presentation given to the Panel and a recording of the briefing are available on the Fast-track website [here](#):

[7] At the briefing, the Panel Chair advised the Applicant that he was an independent director of a building company that was presently performing a building contract with the Applicant at another Auckland location. He advised that he did not consider this to give rise to a conflict of interest or any other form of interest requiring disclosure with respect to his engagement to chair this Panel but was advising of this matter in the interests of transparency.

[8] All enquiries about the matters set out in this minute should be forwarded to Jessie Richardson, Application Lead, who can be contacted at info@fasttrack.govt.nz



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Expert Panel Chair