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Tēnā koe Nicky

I am writing to comment on the application of Winton Land Limited for the Sunfield project under sections 53 and 54 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024.

The Ministry of Education is aware of the proposed Sunfield development and advises me that a new primary school will be required to accommodate the additional demand as there will be insufficient capacity in the current school network.

While the proposed development has an identified site for a new school, as the site is approximately 350m from an existing state school it is not considered an appropriate location and the Ministry of Education would not develop a new school on the site currently proposed.

The Ministry of Education is open to having a discussion with the Applicant regarding alternatives within the development.

I note that the provision of any new school to serve the catchment area will be based on the Ministry's network analysis, standard site evaluation methodology and will be subject to future prioritisation and budget approval processes.

To manage effects on the nearby schools the following amendment is requested to proposed condition 21:

21. The CTMP must include specific details relating to avoiding, remedying or mitigating adverse effects on the environment from demolition, earthworks, construction and management of all works associated with this development, and setting out procedures to be followed which ensure compliance with the conditions of consent, as follows:

...I. Identification of haulage routes with Council and Auckland Transport prior to commencement of works, including any specific non-working or non-movement hours to manage vehicular and pedestrian traffic near educational facilities, particularly during peak pick up and drop off times.

Nāku noa, nā

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