

# COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020

## Drury East Stage 1 Precinct

M-11	Minute of the Drury East Stage 1 Precinct Expert Consenting Panel – 20 May 2022
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### Request for extension to further information requests from Auckland Council and Auckland Transport

1. As outlined in Minute 10, the Panel directed the EPA to request further information from Auckland Council and Auckland Transport. The further information requests dated 16 May 2022 request to be complied with by 5pm Tuesday 24 May 2022.
2. In accordance with clause 25 of Schedule 6 of the Act, if further information is requested the person or body must:
  - a. Provide electronic copies of the information or report requested ;or
  - b. Advise the EPA, with reasons, that it declines to provide the information or report requested.

This must be complied with by the date directed by the Panel, which must not be later than 10 working days after the direction is given.

If the information requested is not received or the information declined to be provided by the date specified, the Panel must proceed as if the request for further information had been declined.

3. On 19 May 2022, legal counsel for the Auckland Council and Auckland Transport made a written request to the Panel for an extension of time to respond to the requests for information from the EPA until 5pm 31 May 2022 to ensure the requests are comprehensively addressed. The request can be viewed on the EPA website here: <https://www.epa.govt.nz/fast-track-consenting/referred-projects/drury-east-stage-1-precinct/correspondence-to-and-from-the-panel/>
4. The Panel notes that the requested extension is beyond the 10 working day timeframe after the direction was given to the EPA to request the information from Auckland Council and Auckland Transport.

5. The date of the requested extension also falls within the period of time processing the application will be suspended. As outlined in Minute 10 the Panel has agreed to suspend processing the application from 30 May 2022.
6. In its request for suspension, the Applicant also requested that the Panel continues to consider the application and issue Further Information Requests as appropriate during the period of suspension.
7. The Panel has therefore agreed to extend the period for Auckland Council and Auckland Transport to respond to the further information requests until 5pm Monday 30 May 2022.



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