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Tēnā koe Scott,

Request for information from Silverlight Studios Limited in relation to Silverlight Studios under COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020

The Silverlight Studios Expert Consenting Panel (the Panel), has directed the EPA to request further information from you under clause 25 of Schedule 6 of the COVID-19 Recovery Act 2020 (the Act), relating to the Silverlight Studios consent application.

As directed by the Panel, the EPA is seeking the following information:

In light of comments received from various parties on landscape and visual effects, the Panel **directs** that Mr B Espie and Ms A Steven, landscape architects, jointly caucus and prepare a joint Landscape Conferencing Report. The requirements of that Report are as follows:

1. In consultation with the Roberts Family Trust, Mr Espie and Ms Steven are to undertake a joint site visit¹ to the Roberts Family Trust, 783 Wanaka-Luggate Highway.
2. The Report is to address the extent of landscape and visual effects arising from the application on the Roberts Family Trust, 783 Wanaka-Luggate Highway and agree on a solution that will achieve no more than minor adverse visual amenity effects on that property.
3. The Report is to include a revised landscape plan and planting plan setting out agreed proposed mitigation for the whole of the subject site, including plant species and the size of plantings, and any recommended new or revised conditions of consent. Any existing plantings on the subject site relied on for mitigation purposes should be identified and confirmed as being located within the subject site boundaries and therefore under the applicant's control.

¹ The site visit will be coordinated by the applicant and landowner. Persons attending the site visit will be responsible for their own health and safety for the duration of the visit.

4. The Report is to explain how any mitigation planting can accommodate local mahika kai species and plants suitable for the creation of habitat for local endemic fauna species including skinks, geckos, birds and insects.
5. Should there be any matter not agreed between Mr Espie and Ms Steven, the Report is to set out in full the reasons for the disagreement.
6. The Report is to be signed and dated by both landscape architects and lodged with the EPA.
7. We have sent a similar letter to the Roberts Family Trust asking them to have Ms Steven contact Mr Espie directly to arrange for this work to be undertaken. I would appreciate it if you could advise Mr Espie of the Panel's Direction to undertake this work at your earliest convenience. By way of clarification, this report is in the interest of both parties and costs incurred by Mr Espie are not cost recoverable from the EPA.
8. I suggest that Mr Espie takes the lead role in preparing the Report requested by the Panel.
9. In a separate report, the Panel requests:
 - a. That Mr Espie visits the site and subject to obtaining landowner and occupier approval takes photos of the site from the following properties, using standard visual animation practices and camera specifications and demonstrating as far as possible the likely view of the site from the occupiers of the residential dwellings on these two sites and outline any mitigation to address those effects:
 - i) Jim and Fiona Turner, 550 Wanaka-Luggate Highway
 - ii) Sue Evans and Sean O'Connor, 473 Wanaka-Luggate Highway.
 - b. That Mr Espie takes photos of the site from the top of Mt Iron using standard visual animation practices and camera specifications, to demonstrate the likely view of the site from this location and outline any necessary mitigation to address such effects.

In accordance with clause 25 of Schedule 6 of the Act Silverlight Studios Limited must;

- a) Provide electronic copies of the information or report requested; or
- b) Advise the EPA, with reasons that you decline to provide the information or report requested.

Please provide the further information to the EPA by **Wednesday 27 October 2021**.

Please note, the information will be provided to the Panel, the applicant and every person who provided comments on the application. The information will also be made available on the EPA website.

If you have any questions or further queries, please don't hesitate to contact Elliott Dennett on elliott.dennett@epa.govt.nz or +64 4 474 5518.

Nākū noā, na



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