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Via email: waihoehoeprecinct.fasttrack@epa.govt.nz

Tēnā koe Lachlan

COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 – comments sought on consent application for the Waihoehoe Precinct

Thank you for your email of 1 March 2022 seeking my comments on the consent application for the Waihoehoe Precinct by Oyster Capital Limited under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 (the Act).

I support the intent of the project, being to construct a commercial and residential development in Drury, Auckland.

I note that under the Act you must also seek comment from Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga (HNZPT). My officials have provided me with a summary of the comments HNZPT intend to make to your Panel.

I have reviewed HNZPT's comments and note their view that some minor additions to the consent conditions will better align them with the archaeological authority that is required for the project. I support the streamlining and aligning of the conditions so that roles on site are clear and works can proceed without disruption.

Given the suggested conditions from HNZPT, I would appreciate the opportunity to review the draft conditions should your Panel decide to grant the consent.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C Sepuloni'.

Hon Carmel Sepuloni
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