



# WEEKLY REPORT

Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities

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For period ending 14 June 2024

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### 1. Decisions or consultations sought this week

There are no decisions or consultations sought this week.

For upcoming advice to be delivered in the next month please refer to section 5.

### 2. Updates for Hon Chris Bishop, Minister of Housing

First Home Grant Exemptions	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kāinga Ora stopped accepting new applications for the First Home Grant, effective 1.00pm on 22 May 2024. Criteria for exemptions were set in early June 2024, with a close off date for applicants to contact Kāinga Ora and to seek an exemption by 14 June 2024.</li> <li>Kāinga Ora will acknowledge exemption requests and start assessing applications after the deadline of 23:59 on 14 June 2024. As at 9.00am 12 June 2024, 317 requests for exemption were received, the status of these is noted in the table below.</li> <li>Exemption request emails received as at 9am on 12 June 2024</li> </ul>	
Received	317
Awaiting assessment	168
Awaiting information to determine eligibility	54
Eligible	28
Not eligible	47
Exemption not required (already approved or pre-approved)	20
<b>Next steps</b>	<b>Due</b>
An update with final numbers will be provided to you in next week's report.	21 June 2024
<b>Contact person</b>	
Nick Maling	GM – National Services
	s 9(2)(a)

## Variation to Hamilton City Council's Infrastructure Acceleration Fund Agreement

- Hamilton City Council (the Council) has been allocated \$150.6 million from the Infrastructure Acceleration Fund (IAF) to support infrastructure projects to enable ~4,000 houses in and around the central city.
- On 9 May 2024, the Mayor of Hamilton, and Deputy Mayor of Hamilton and Chair of the Infrastructure and Transport Committee, wrote to you requesting 'in principle support' to reprioritise \$31.5 million of IAF funding from the active modes river crossing bridge to the non-IAF funded bulk water reticulation project. Your response noted that you require an assessment from Kāinga Ora to inform any decisions.
- On 5 June 2024, the Council considered the reprioritisation of IAF funding and agreed to defer the bridge in their Long-Term Plan from an anticipated completion in 2027 to a later date outside the current LTP period.
- Kāinga Ora is continuing to work with Council to assess the implications for the IAF Funding Agreement and housing outcomes with the proposed reprioritisation of IAF funding.

### Next steps

Before the end of June 2024, we will provide you and the Minister of Finance with advice on whether or not it is recommended to reallocate IAF funding from the bridge to the bulk water reticulation project.

### Due

28 June 2024

### Contact person

Caroline McDowall

GM - Commercial

§ 9(2)(a)

## Our Whare, Our Fale project in East Porirua, with Ngāti Toa Rangatira and Central Pacific Collective

- Ngāti Toa Rangatira (Ngāti Toa) and Kāinga Ora are party to an agreement signed in 2019 that requires Kāinga Ora to offer up to 400 parcels of land over time within the eastern Porirua Large Scale Project to Ngāti Toa for Market/Affordable housing. The agreement sets out that land is to be sold at market value.
- In October 2022, Kāinga Ora presented 70 lots to Ngāti Toa (contained within three super-lots) in Cannons Creek, who have since entered an arrangement with Central Pacific Collective (CPC) to build houses on the lots under their Our Whare, Our Fale home ownership programme which is funded by the Ministry of Pacific Peoples (MPP). It is anticipated that CPC will build approximately 55 homes across the 70 lots. The land will be retained in Ngāti Toa ownership with CPC to take a perpetual ground lease across all sites.
- To enable Our Whare, Our Fale, Kāinga Ora accepted a purchase price (\$3 million plus GST) for the land, which is significantly below the registered valuation obtained by Kāinga Ora. The shortfall, of \$5 million, will be met by a transfer from the Kāinga Ora Land Fund appropriation, which was approved by Ministers in 2023.
- CPC and Kāinga Ora are close to signing a development agreement (DA) to capture the contractual obligations between the parties for the first three super-lots. The DA establishes terms and conditions around the delivery of housing, including timeframes and development expectations. The DA will be signed contemporaneously with the Agreement for Sale and Purchase between Kāinga Ora

and Ngāti Toa; and the ground lease to be established between Ngāti Toa and CPC. All three parties are working together to finalise documentation.

- Kāinga Ora expects to hand over the three super-lots to CPC in October 2024, with construction of the homes due to commence shortly thereafter.
- Funding settings for the Eastern Porirua Large Scale Project requires land to be sold at market valuation. Land sold below market rate reduces funding for delivery of later stages of the programme. Should there be further dispute between the parties about the sale price of subsequently released land, officials will provide advice to Joint Ministers with options for future land sales for Our Whare, Our Fale in the eastern Porirua LSP.
- We have been contacted this week by MPP about a change in agency responsibility for the Our Whare, Our Fale project and will work with them to prepare advice to Joint Ministers.

<b>Next steps</b>		<b>Due</b>
Under consideration		N/A
<b>Contact person</b>		
Daniel Soughtton	DCE – Te Puku Ikaroa / Central	s 9(2)(a)

<b>Government Health and Safety Awards</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kāinga Ora, in alignment with the Government Health and Safety Lead's (GHSL) purpose and strategy, provides support to chief executives, senior leaders, and government organisations' health and safety teams in fostering their leadership in health and safety. Annually, the GHSL acknowledges Health and Safety Representatives who demonstrate exceptional commitment to promoting safer and healthier outcomes for all New Zealanders.</li> <li>• We are pleased to announce that the Waikato Tari Health and Safety and Wellbeing Group has been honoured with the inaugural GHSL Health and Safety Representative Team Award for 2024, reflecting their dedication to health and safety. Comprising Health and Safety Representatives Kelsey Toombs and Cathy McNally, who led their local committee, the Waikato Tari Health and Safety and Wellbeing Group previously received the Kāinga Ora Best Employee Engagement Initiative award in 2023.</li> <li>• The Waikato Tari Health and Safety and Wellbeing Group were nominated for the 'GHSL Rep of the Year' award for organising a step challenge involving eight teams of 11, three of which achieved 100 percent participation. Through organised walking meetings, off-hour excursions, and general encouragement, the participants recorded 10,057,954 steps. This initiative also led to renewed gym memberships and the team's participation in the Round the Bridges event in Hamilton.</li> <li>• We take pride in The Waikato Tari Health and Safety and Wellbeing Group's initiative and contributions.</li> </ul>		
<b>Next steps</b>		<b>Due</b>
		N/A
<b>Contact person</b>		
Rowan Macrae	GM – People, Governance and Capability	s 9(2)(a)

### 3. Updates for Hon Tama Potaka, Associate Minister of Housing

Community viewing at St George Street, Papatoetoe		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our St George Street complex comprises of 28 apartments in Papatoetoe for customers aged 55 years old and over.</li> <li>• Kāinga Ora held an open home event on 30 May 2024 to give the community an opportunity to meet the team and ask questions regarding the complex.</li> <li>• Over 75 local community members were in attendance including neighbours, local businesses, Local Board members and service providers.</li> <li>• Feedback was overwhelmingly positive with neighbours telling us how respectful the build partner had been and comments on the quality of the build including very positive comments about the community room.</li> </ul>		
<b>Next steps</b>		<b>Due</b>
The apartments should be ready by August 2024 for customers to move in		August 2024
<b>Contact person</b>		
Caroline Butterworth	DCE – Tāmaki Tai Tokerau / Auckland/Northland	s 9(2)(a)

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#### 4. Summary of papers sent

Paper	Purpose
<p><b>Briefing</b></p> <p>IAF funding agreement variation –Patterson Road, New Plymouth and Kaikōura Funding Agreement Variations BN 24 019</p>	<p>This briefing provides you with information to support a decision regarding the approval of Kāinga Ora taking decisions relating to the removal of IAF-funded eligible infrastructure projects from IAF Funding Agreements, where the project is no longer required to achieve the agreed housing outcomes.</p> <p>It also seeks Joint Ministers’ approval for variations to two IAF Funding Agreements, that if approved will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• make NPDC’s Veale Road Pump Station Upgrade a non-IAF-funded enabling infrastructure project; and</li> <li>• remove KDC’s flood hazard management works from the Funding Agreement.</li> </ul>

#### 5. Upcoming advice to be delivered in the next month

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## 6. Kāinga Ora OIA requests

Reference number	Requestor	Type	Request summary	Minister(s)	To MO for	Response due
OI 24 214	Azaria Howell	Media	<i>Information</i> Request for communications relating to change process	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	Decision letter sent. Information due 28/06/2024
OI 24 228	Thomas Raethal	Opposition	<i>Information</i> Request for proposal documents to reduce expenditure	Hon Chris Bishop	Consultation	Decision letter sent. Information due 28/06/2024
OI 24 266	Hannah McCallum	Media	<i>Development</i> Request for information about a Wellington development	Hon Chris Bishop	Consultation	12/07/2024 extended
OI 24 274	Member of the public	Public	<i>Information</i> Request for information about contractors and consultants	Hon Chris Bishop	Not being provided	02/07/2024 extended
OI 24 278	Member of the public	Public	<i>Development</i> Request for information about a Wellington development	Hon Chris Bishop	Not being provided	02/07/2024 extended
OI 24 285	Matt Swann	Opposition	<i>Information</i> Request for information about staff reductions	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	05/07/2024 extended
OI 24 291	Ohakune Residents and Ratepayers Society	Public	<i>Development</i> Request for information about an Ohakune development	Hon Chris Bishop	Not being provided	09/07/2024 extended
OI 24 301	Member of the public	Public	<i>Development</i> Request for information about an Ohakune development	Hon Chris Bishop	Not being provided	12/06/2024
OI 24 302	Connor Stirling	Media	<i>Information</i> Request for data on the Home Lease programme	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	17/06/2024
OI 24 303	Ohakune Residents and Ratepayers Society	Public	<i>Development</i> Request for information about an Ohakune development	Hon Chris Bishop	Not being provided	18/06/2024

OI 24 306	NZCTU	Public	<i>Information</i> Request for information about the Board correspondence relating to the review of Kāinga Ora	Hon Chris Bishop	Consultation	20/06/2024
OI 24 309	Member of the Public	Public	<i>Development</i> Request for costs of developments between 2017-2023	Hon Chris Bishop	Not being provided	18/06/2024
OI 24 311	Member of the Public	Public	<i>Information</i> Request for information about ending first home grants	Hon Chris Bishop	Not being provided	20/06/2024
OI 24 312	Member of the Public	Public	<i>Information</i> Request for information about partnerships with iwi	Hon Chris Bishop	Not being provided	20/06/2024
OI 24 313	Thomas Coughlan	Media	<i>Information</i> Request for information about ending first home grants	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	21/06/2024
OI 24 320	Matthew Littlewood	Media	<i>Information</i> Request for information about Dunedin property	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	21/06/2024
OI 24 323	Stewart Sowman-Lund	Media	<i>Information</i> Request for information about ending first home grants	Hon Chris Bishop	Not being provided	24/06/2024
OI 24 327	Meg Stewart Ward	Opposition	<i>Information</i> Request for information about performance plans and service delivery	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	25/06/2024
OI 24 329	Member of the Public	Public	<i>Information</i> Request for information about costs and staffing of Urban development Act (SDPs)	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	25/06/2024
OI 24 331	PSA	Interest Group	<i>Information</i> Request for information about external advice on organisational change	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	27/06/2024



OI 24 332	Sophie Trigger	Media	<i>Information</i> Request for information about Kāinga Ora review	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	27/06/2024
OI 24 338	Matt Swann	Opposition	<i>Information</i> Request for information about submitted initiatives not funded through the Budget 2024	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	01/07/2024
OI 24 339	Member of the Public	Public	<i>Information</i> Request for information about ending first home grants	Hon Chris Bishop	Not being provided	01/07/2024
OI 24 344	Thomas Raethal	Opposition	<i>Information</i> Request for information about contractor spending	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	03/07/2024
OI 24 356	Grant Poulton	Opposition	<i>Information</i> Request for information about financial sustainability and first home grants	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	08/07/2024
OI 24 357	Action Station	Interest Group	<i>Information</i> Request for information about Auckland developments under review	Hon Chris Bishop	Not being provided	08/07/2024
OI 24 365	Murray Jones	Media	<i>Information</i> Request for information about national supply agreements	Hon Chris Bishop	Noting FYI	09/07/2024

## 7. Ministerial OIA requests

Reference number	Requestor	Topic	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor
OI 24 366	Hon Chris Bishop	Advice regarding the sale of Kāinga Ora homes	26/06/2024	26/06/2024





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