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Thank you for your email of 14 May 2020 to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:

"what approvals or consents you have sought or received from the Hamilton City Council and relevant dates. Please also advise what, if any consultation you have carried out with the affected community, or intend to carry out. Please provide details of relevant dates and process for consultation. If you have already carried out consultation with the affected community, please advise where I can find submissions in response and how and to what extent any submissions have been taken into account in your decision to progress this development. Please also advise what your proposed timeframe for building this development is."

To help meet the strong demand for housing in Hamilton, Kāinga Ora is exploring building 70 modern, high quality homes on the vacant Crown-owned land in Endeavour Avenue, next to the Flagstaff shops. As is currently proposed, the development would see a 50/50 percent mix of state and market housing.

This development is still in the concept design stage, and we are currently in the process of sharing the proposal with the community and stakeholders and gathering their views to factor into the final design. A summary of community and stakeholder engagement to date is attached in Appendix A.

Kāinga Ora is internally recording the feedback it receives to identify any themes that come through, including those in support of the development and areas of concern. These will be considered as the final designs for the development are made. We plan on submitting the final designs for resource consent after the community has had an opportunity to provide feedback, and aim for construction to take place during 2021-2022.

You can also find a wide variety of information on the development proposal, including Q&As, drawings and plans, and timeframes for community engagement and construction, on our website at www.kaingaora.govt.nz/uppernorthisland.

I hope you find this information helpful. If you have any further questions, I invite you to contact Gemma Brooks, Senior Stakeholder Relationship Manager, on 021 349 107 or gemma.brooks.kaingaora.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

Rachel Kelly Manager Government Relations

Annex 1: Summary of community engagement for the proposed Kāinga Ora development in Endeavour Avenue, Hamilton

Activity
Presentation to Hamilton City Council and Independent Urban Design Panel
Contact made with local Members of Parliament
Contact made with Waikato–Tainui
 Letters provided to neighbours inviting feedback for the proposed development
 Information about the development published on Kāinga Ora's website
Contact made with local Flagstaff businesses, Endeavours Kindergarten, Endeavour School, Rototuna High Schools, local retirement villages, North East Community Hub, Pukete Neighbourhood House, Flagstaff Residents Facebook group, and Waikato Regional Housing Initiative
Meeting held with Riverdowns Playcentre
Letters provided to neighbours advising that Kāinga Ora was holding a Community Zoom information session
Meeting held with Flagstaff Residents Incorporated Society
Community Zoom information session held – a recording of which is available on www.kaingaora.govt.nz/uppernorthisland
Meeting with Suburbs Community Sports Club
Meeting with Flagstaff Residents Incorporated Society
 Community information session held – a recording of which is available on www.kaingaora.govt.nz/uppernorthisland
Letters provided to neighbours advising that a community drop- in session would be held on 22 June 2020