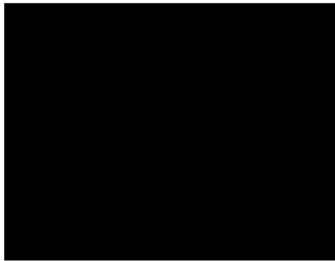


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Thank you for your email of 27 March 2019 to Housing New Zealand, requesting information on the McLennan development in Auckland. You have asked Housing New Zealand to:

"1) Please provide plans for the originally consented (prior to Kiwibuild) layout of Stage 3A, Stage 3B and Stage 4 showing section layouts, house styles and landscaping.

2) Please provide plans for the revised resource consents after Kiwibuild showing section layouts, house styles and landscaping.

3) Provide evidence to prove the revised resource consent, which significantly altered the look of the homes and therefore the development, did not need to be notified in accordance with the Resource Management Act.

4) Provide evidence that the rest of the development, and the development design guide was taken into consideration when altering the look and style of the new Kiwibuild homes and downgrading the landscaping.

5) Provide reasoning as to why it was chosen to largely ignore the development design guide resulting in a 'ghetto' section of the development reducing the value of existing sections in the development."

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

In response to parts one and two of your request, I am providing you with the following documents:

- McLennan Stage 3 Papakura Auckland for Resource Consent April 2017, dated 31/07/2017.
- McLennan Stage 3A for Housing New Zealand Resource Consent Application dated 21/08/2017.
- McLennan Stage 3A for Housing New Zealand Resource Consent-Revision dated 25/01/2018.
- Proposed Dwellings McLennan Stage 3B-Papakura-Auckland dated 24/10/2018.
- New Terraced Dwellings McLennan Stage 4 dated 20/02/2019.

In response to part three, I can advise that notification of a Resource Consent is a decision made by Auckland Council. Therefore I am declining this part of your request under section 18(g)(ii) of the Act as the answer connects more closely with the functions of another agency. You may wish to contact Auckland Council to request this information. The

Resource Consent process for notified/limited notified applications Flowchart can be viewed at: www.mfe.govt.nz/node/18625.

With regard to part four, Housing New Zealand does not hold any information relating to consideration of the design guide. Therefore I am declining this part of the request under section 18(g) of the Act as this information is not held by Housing New Zealand. I can advise that different architects were used at different stages of the development, which may account for the different look and style of Kiwibuild homes at different stages.

Answering part five of your request would require Housing New Zealand to give an opinion. In this case, giving an opinion would amount to creating new information, rather than the provision of information already held. Therefore I am declining this part of your request under section 18(g) of the Act as the information is not held.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to ask the Ombudsman to review my responses to your request, which you can do at <http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/> or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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