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Update on proposed Teitei Drive development

Kia ora,

We are writing to you to provide an update about the proposed mixed housing development of 44 homes at Teitei Drive in Ohakune. This development is a partnership between Ruapehu District Council, Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities and Ngāti Rangī.

As the Teitei Drive development has progressed through detailed design and planning phases, it has become clear that the Crown Infrastructure Partner (CIP) funding will not be sufficient to complete the project as it was originally scoped back in 2021.

This, combined with current market pressures, has meant that the project is no longer financially viable for Kāinga Ora and we cannot deliver the affordable housing outcomes as intended.

With this in mind, and after considering multiple options, we have made the difficult decision that it is no longer feasible for Kāinga Ora to proceed with this development. As such, we will no longer be submitting a resource consent application for enabling works as previously indicated.

While it is not uncommon for the costs to rise once more detailed investigations have been undertaken, we understand that our decision will be disappointing for those in need of housing.

We remain committed to working closely with Ruapehu District Council and Ngāti Rangī to explore opportunities to deliver public and affordable housing, as together we recognise that there is a need for more housing in the Ruapehu District.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact:

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