

‘Shovel ready’ Infrastructure Projects: Project Information Form

About this Project Information Form

The Government is seeking to identify ‘shovel ready’ infrastructure projects from the Public and certain Private Infrastructure sector participants that have been impacted by COVID 19.

Ministers have advised that they wish to understand the availability, benefits, geographical spread and scale of ‘shovel ready’ projects in New Zealand. These projects will be considered in the context of any potential Government response to support the construction industry, and to provide certainty on a pipeline of projects to be commenced or re-commenced, once the COVID 19 Response Level is suitable for construction to proceed.

The Infrastructure Industry Reference Group, chaired by Mark Binns, is leading this work at the request of Ministers, and is supported by Crown Infrastructure Partners Limited (CIP).

CIP is now seeking information using this Project Information Form from relevant industry participants for projects/programmes¹ that may be suitable for potential Government support. The types of projects we have been asked to consider is outlined in Mark Binns’ letter dated 25 March 2020.

CIP has prepared Project Information Guidelines which outline the approach CIP will take in reviewing and categorising the project information it receives (Guidelines).

Please submit one form for each project that you consider meets the criteria set out in the Guidelines. If you have previously provided this information in another format and/or as part of a previous process feel free to submit it in that format and provide cross-references in this form.

Please provide this information by 5 pm on Tuesday 14 April 2020.

As an initial task the Infrastructure Industry Reference Group has been asked to prepare a report on infrastructure projects/programmes that are ready for construction and could, if the Government deemed it appropriate, be deployed as part of a stimulatory package. It should be noted that the full impact of COVID 19 on the economy will not be known for some time, and the Government’s decision to accelerate any construction-related spend will be determined by its assessment of priorities at the time. This information is being sought in good faith, but no undertaking can be made that the criteria or any other considerations will not change or that any projects coming forward from the Reference Group will be accelerated, or any of the Reference Group’s recommendations adopted. This situation we all find ourselves in is truly dynamic.

This document relates to the gathering of project information only and is not a Notice of Procurement. It does not form part of any procurement process. It does not commit the Government or CIP to take any further steps, or provide any financial or other assistance, in connection with any information in response to this document or the projects to which that information relates.

¹ We refer to “projects” throughout. This term includes programmes of work in all cases.

Section 1: Key Information [Criteria 2 and 3]

1. Project Title: Southern Animal Shelter Refurbishment

2. Please provide your details:

Organisation Name:	Far North District Council		
Entity Type:	Local Government		
Contact Name and Role:	David Clamp		
Email Address:	Privacy of natural persons	Telephone:	Privacy of natural persons

3. Please provide a very brief description of the infrastructure project:

Background

Section 67 of the Dog Control Act 1996 requires every Territorial Authority to make such provision as is necessary for the proper custody, care and exercise of dogs impounded, seized or committed to its custody under this Act and includes establishing, maintaining and operating a dog pound.

Since May 2017 Far North District Council have been using a temporary facility for their Southern Dog Pound.

Far North District Council have now purchased an existing boarding kennel in Kaikohe with settlement having occurred on 31st March 2020.

This existing facility requires upgrading to operate as a Council Shelter (Pound facility) before it will meet the requirements of the Animal Welfare Act 1999 and the Code of Welfare for Temporary Housing of Companion Animals 2016. As well as ensuring the animal welfare requirements the project upgrade also covers the shelters security and staff health and safety requirements.

There are pressures to deliver this project as soon as possible due to the site being purchased and not being currently used.

Due to COVID19 lockdown commencing at 11:59 on 25th March 2020 there are now delays engaging the architect which in turn has caused delays in the project's completion.

4. This project will be located in which Territorial Authority: Far North District Council

5. Please confirm the project sector, category and type of infrastructure:

Project Sector	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Accommodation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agriculture, Horticulture and Forestry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alcohol Availability	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bioscience and Biotechnology	<input type="checkbox"/>
Construction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy	<input type="checkbox"/>
Film and Television	<input type="checkbox"/>
Imports and Exports	<input type="checkbox"/>
Information communications and technology	<input type="checkbox"/>
Manufacturing and Production	<input type="checkbox"/>
Retail Trade	<input type="checkbox"/>

Project Categories	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Three waters	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transport	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buildings and Structures	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other infrastructure	<input type="checkbox"/>

Project Type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Critical infrastructure	<input type="checkbox"/>
New infrastructure	<input type="checkbox"/>
Replacement/refurbished infrastructure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Repurposed infrastructure	<input type="checkbox"/>

Tourism	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wholesale Trade	<input type="checkbox"/>
Central Government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local Government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. What is the total cost of the project (NZ\$M):

Commercial Information
 \$ [Redacted]
 Commercial Information

7. Provide a high-level breakdown of this spend (e.g. construction costs, professional fees, land, other etc.):

Break Down of Spend Estimate only

Construction cost \$ [Redacted]
 Consent fees \$ [Redacted] (Building Consent and Resource Consent)
 Professional fees \$ [Redacted] this includes design
 Project Manager time \$ [Redacted]

A designer has been engaged for the project however due to the settlement occurring during the lock down we have not been able to go to site; as a result, these costs are estimated at this time.

A contingency of [Redacted] % is required

8. Briefly outline the value the project will deliver in terms of employment contribution.

A Northland based architect has been engaged for the design of the shelter refurbishment, due to their knowledge of the Animal Welfare Act requirements for shelters and their availability. Once this is complete tender will be open to known and willing local construction companies.

9. Briefly describe how the project is currently/ intended to be funded:

This funding is approved in CAPEX for this current FY – these funds are carried over into the next FY.

10. Has this project previously applied for funding with any part of Government? Yes: No:

- If Yes, please describe which part of government (i.e. PGF, NZTA FAR etc.), the outcome of the discussions and who such discussions were with (what Ministry and official).

N/A

Section 2: Construction Readiness [Criteria 1]

10. Please briefly explain the status of the project including confirmation that the project will fall into one of the three categories of readiness (see 11 below).

The existing property has been purchased and settlement date was 31st March 2020.

The upgrade of the current facility is in design stage which has been delayed due to COVID 19.

A designer needs to visit the site prior to designing the plans as this cannot be carried out virtually.

11. Confirm which of the following categories the project best falls into.

Status	✓	Further commentary (briefly set out barriers to commencement)
A. Projects which currently are (or were) in the construction phase but have been put on hold due to COVID 19 and are likely not to progress, or to progress at a much slower rate or scale/scope, if not supported post COVID 19	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>[Insert your relevant commentary here]</i>
B. Projects which have a high expectation of commencing the construction phase within the next six months (by 31 October 2020), but are unlikely to do so due to COVID 19	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The designer is available to attend site as soon as the lock down is lifted. It is determined that the design phase will take approximately Commercial Inform . Construction will be dependent of the backlog of work created by the Covid-19 lock down. This could be up to Comm delay.
C. Projects which could have been expected to commence the construction phase within the next 12 months (by 30 May 2021), but are unlikely to do so due to COVID 19	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>[Insert your relevant commentary here]</i>

12. Confirm the status of key milestones

Status		✓	Expected Date
Procurement	<i>Suitable tender complete</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>Tender evaluation in progress</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>Request for Tender in the Market</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>About to put out a Request for Tender to the market</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Detailed Design	<i>Detailed Design Complete</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>Detailed Design Underway</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>Detailed Design to commence</i>	✓	Once COVID19 lockdown is lifted
Designations/Consents	<i>Approved</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>Lodged</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>In preparation</i>	✓	Once completed design is received
Land Acquired	<i>Yes</i>	✓	31/03/2020
	<i>Being negotiated under PWA (please indicate stage below)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>Has not commenced</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Business Case or Investment Case	<i>Approved</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>Draft</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>Underway</i>	✓	
	<i>None</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

13. Briefly outline any other comments on the key project timetable or key milestones

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Key barriers / risks to the project being 'shovel ready' - Expected timeframes and processes for acquiring necessary resource consents 30 working days once plans have been received for, due to acoustic report being obtained, and the availability of planners to process consents - Any other additional information as required above - Expected construction completion date End of Commercial Information, providing lockdown is not extended and dependant on availability of contractors and materials
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Section 3: Overall Benefits and Risks [Criteria 4]

Please advise at a high level whether a project brings real value (in an economic, social and/or environmental sense) to New Zealand as a whole or the region in which it is located in line with Treasury’s Living Standards Framework² and Sustainable Development Goals³. Please take into account, where relevant, the draft 2021 Government Policy Statement on land transport, available at <https://www.transport.govt.nz/multi-modal/keystrategiesandplans/gpsonlandtransportfunding/gps-2021/>, and the priorities that it establishes.

14. Briefly outline the social, environmental and economic benefits of the project to the local region and New Zealand and overall value for money.

Local construction company will be engaged to do the build, this will employ local builders.

This is using an existing site.

This site is now council owned and no longer leasing off a private farm owner, saving to rate payer in the long run.

The shelter will be able to accommodate the animal management team, customers able to resolve impounding and dog related issues at the point of contact. This benefits the customer.

15. What is the expected contribution to local/ national employment?

Northland Designer with the skills/knowledge of Codes of Welfare has been engaged to draw up the plans once the lockdown has been lifted.

The contract for the work will go out to known and willing local contractors only.

16. What are the risks associated with the project? Each risk should be ranked as high, medium or low and include a short explanation as to why it was given that risk rating.

Risk	Low/ Med/ High	Further commentary on risk
A. The risk of the project not commencing within the advised timescale	High	Unknown date plans can be received, consents to be processed, acoustic reports and perhaps engineers reports to be produced
B. The risk the project will not be completed on time, to cost or to specification	High	Due to legislative requirements and backlog of consents, availability of contractors and materials
C. Risk the project will not realise the benefits outlined above	LOW	The benefits have already been identified Commercial Infor <div style="background-color: #cccccc; width: 150px; height: 15px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>

17. Are there any other key project risks or any other information which would be useful background or context at this stage?

² <https://treasury.govt.nz/information-and-services/nz-economy/higher-living-standards/our-living-standards-framework>

³ <https://www.mfat.govt.nz/en/peace-rights-and-security/work-with-the-un-and-other-partners/new-zealand-and-the-sustainable-development-goals-sdgs/>

Section 4: Impact of COVID-19

18. Please briefly comment on the likelihood and timing of the project recommencing once the COVID 19 Response Level is suitable for construction to proceed

Once COVID19 lockdown is lifted, the designer is available to visit the site and commence drawings, once these are received, the consents will be processed within legislative timeframes and the project will go out to tender, however. The availability of contractors and materials could potentially cause further delay.

19. What is the best estimate of the impact (financial/social/environmental) COVID 19 has had on the project and on local industry associated with the project?

Lease costs of the current facility are approximately \$^{Commercial} per month
The rates currently on the unused facility is \$^{Commerc} per quarter.

20. Has this project already, or is likely to benefit from already announced Government led financial support for businesses (e.g. wage subsidy scheme/business finance guarantee scheme) Yes: No:

- If Yes, please describe the scheme and extent of the support you have received/expect to receive.

21. Briefly outline the top 2-3 things that the Government can do to help progress this project. Please consider both financial and non- financial levers such as lowering regulatory barriers, adjusting Government procurement practices, fast-tracking resource consent processes.

Determine this to be a fast track consent process

Please indicate clearly whether you consider any information you have provided in this form to be confidential. Confidential information will not be publically released, other than in anonymised form, except to the extent that any release is required by law.