



# WEEKLY REPORT

Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities

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For period ending 15 October 2021

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### 1. Updates

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## Product Cost Fluctuations

Information has been sent to build partners last week addressing product cost fluctuations and explaining the process Kāinga Ora is putting into place to enable partners to claim net increases on selected products from the cost used at tender.

COVID-19 related supply constraints and cost fluctuations are having an effect on the residential construction sector, which in turn is impacting Kāinga Ora and our partners. To date, we have been working closely with build partners to ensure access to materials and products wherever possible.

Since April 2020, build partners have been able to seek to claim for time delays and cost changes that are a direct impact of COVID-19 by using the claims process in our construction contracts. As a part of this, as well as other ongoing support for our build partners, Kāinga Ora is now finalising the process to enable build partners to claim any net increase in the cost of a material (from a list of stipulated products) from the cost used at tender.

For current contracts, it will be linked to the COVID-19 clause to provide consistency regarding the direct impact of COVID-19. It will be subject to some considerations including the need for our partners to mitigate the impact of cost fluctuations, for example, by ordering in a timely way, and the maximum cost as listed under our National Supply Agreements.

We will contact our build partners next week to provide more details about the proposal for both current and future contracts.

Patrick Dougherty  
GM Construction and Innovation

## First Home Partner

First Home Partner went live at 9am on 5 October 2021. As of 4pm on Tuesday, 12 October 2021:

- One customer has been assessed as eligible for First Home Partner. This customer is based in the Auckland region.
- 54 customers have submitted applications that are currently under assessment, with 18 of these currently being asked for more information as their submissions were not complete.
- 322 customers have begun the application process by at least creating a Kāinga Ora account in the First Home Partner Portal.

The next step for customers who are assessed as eligible for First Home Partner is for them to approach a participating bank for home loan pre-approval. Following that, the customer is required to identify and purchase an eligible new build home.

Caroline McDowall  
GM Commercial

## 2. Advice sent in the past week

Due date to Minister's Office	Title	Minister(s)	Contact person
1 October	<b>Ad Hoc</b> Infrastructure Acceleration Fund – EOI Phase Outcomes AH 21 081	Hon Dr Megan Woods Hon Grant Robertson	Caroline McDowall
1 October	<b>Ad Hoc</b> Ngā Kāinga Anamata – The 5 Systems Programme at COP26 AH 21 083	Hon Dr Megan Woods Hon Poto Williams Hon James Shaw	Caroline McDowall
1 October	<b>Ad Hoc</b> Auckland LSPs: programme business case timelines AH 21 084	Hon Dr Megan Woods	Gareth Stiven
13 October	<b>Ad hoc</b> Retrofit report back BN 21 061	Hon Dr Megan Woods Hon Poto Williams	Patrick Dougherty
14 October	<b>Briefing</b> COVID-19 Impact on SPEs	Hon Dr Megan Woods	Gareth Stiven
14 October 2021	<b>Ad hoc</b> COVID-19 update on self-isolation AH 21 094	Hon Dr Megan Woods	Rachel Kelly

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

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#### 4. Kāinga Ora OIA requests

Reference number	Requestor	Topic	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor
OI 21 345	Office of Nicola Willis	<i>686 Swanson Road</i> Request for emails and reports relating to the property	Tbc	7/7/2021
OI 21 406	Member of the public	<i>Carbon neutrality</i> Request for information about carbon neutrality	n/a	14/10/2021
OI 21 404	Member of the public	<i>Auckland Council</i> Request for a copy of an agreement between Kāinga Ora and Auckland Council	n/a	15/10/2021
OI 21 408	Member of the public	<i>Various projects</i> Request for updates on various Kāinga Ora projects	n/a	15/10/2021
OI 21 376	Member of the public	<i>Building costs</i> Request for the building costs of various Kāinga Ora projects	n/a	15/10/2021 extended
OI 21 411	Member of the public	<i>Cost of repairs</i> Request for the cost of repairs on Palmerston North homes	n/a	19/10/2021
OI 21 412	Member of the public	<i>Transfers and exits</i>	n/a	19/10/2021

		Request for number of transfers and exits		
OI 21 413	Media	<i>Pensioner's complex</i> Request for information about pensioner complex	n/a	19/10/2021
OI 21 414	Media	<i>Purchases</i> Request for information on homes purchased over the past five years	n/a	20/10/2021
OI 21 416	Member of the public	<i>Member of the public</i> Request for information on when a member of the public lived in a Kāinga Ora home	14/10/2021 Hon Woods Hon Williams	21/10/2021
OI 21 415	Member of the public	<i>14 Bristol Street</i> Request for information about the facility at 14 Bristol Street	15/10/2021 Hon Woods	22/10/2021
OI 21 417	Member of the public	<i>OSM</i> Request for information about future and completed Kāinga Ora projects using OSM	n/a	25/10/2021
OI 21 423	Member of the public	<i>Tenancy information</i> Request for information regarding tenancy	n/a	25/10/2021
OI 21 362	Office of Jan Logie	<i>Accessible Housing</i> Request for documents on accessible housing and universal design	19/10/2021 Hon Williams	26/10/2021 extended
OI 21 420	Member of the public	<i>Social housing</i> Request for information about social housing	n/a	27/10/2021
OI 21 387	Member of the public	<i>14 Bristol Street</i> Request regarding property at 14 Bristol Street	n/a	28/10/2021 extended
OI 21 403	Media	<i>Retrofit programme</i> Request for information about the retrofit programme	21/10/2021 Hon Woods	28/10/2021 extended
OI 21 418	Member of the public FYI website	<i>Leasing guidelines</i> Request for current Kāinga Ora guidelines about leasing from private owners	n/a	29/10/2021

OI 21 419	Member of the public	<i>Spreydon</i> Request for number of social houses in Spreydon	n/a	29/10/2021
OI 21 421	Member of the public	<i>Waitlist</i> Request for amount of time spend on waitlist before being housed	n/a	1/11/2021
OI 21 422	Member of the public	<i>Complaints</i> Request for complaints made about tenant in Tamatea	n/a	1/11/2021
OI 21 423	Member of the public	<i>Wood Street</i> Request for documents about Wood Street	n/a	1/11/2021
OI 21 425	Member of the public	<i>Healthy homes</i> Request for information about the healthy homes programme	n/a	1/11/2021
OI 21 402	Member of the public	<i>Wood Street</i> Request for actions Kāinga Ora has taken since April	n/a	1/11/2021 extended
OI 21 246	Member of the public	<i>Property in Whangarei</i> Request to know if property is a state home	n/a	3/11/2021
OI 21 427	Member of the public	<i>Landfill materials</i> Request for information about Kāinga Ora diverting materials from landfill	n/a	4/11/2021
OI 21 429	Member of the public	<i>Tauranga purchases</i> Request for a breakdown of all homes purchased in Tauranga and Western Bay	n/a	5/11/2021
OI 21 430	Member of the public	<i>Various projects</i> Request for updates on various Kāinga Ora projects	n/a	8/11/2021
OI 21 432	Member of the public	<i>Various projects</i> Request for updates on various Kāinga Ora projects	n/a	8/11/2021
OI 21 434	Member of the public	<i>Home in Northland</i> Request to purchase a Kāinga Ora home	n/a	8/11/2021

OI 21 435	Member of the public	<i>Home in Auckland</i> Request to purchase a Kāinga Ora home	n/a	8/11/2021
OI 21 436	Member of the public	<i>Phillipstown</i> Request for a list of all properties owned by Kāinga Ora in Phillipstown	n/a	10/11/2021

**5. Appendix One: Upcoming media events**

**6. Appendix Two: COVID-19 Weekly Activity Dashboard**

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