

# ‘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/programmes<sup>1</sup> 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.*

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<sup>1</sup> We refer to “projects” throughout. This this term includes programmes of work in all cases.

## Section 1: Key Information [Criteria 2 and 3]

1. Project Title:

2. Please provide your details:

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<b>Entity Type:</b>	Project Managers		
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3. Please provide a very brief description of the infrastructure project:

*Lindvart Park was initially redeveloped in 1983 and from around 2010 the sporting community and Board have been working towards this current redevelopment project. The current facilities are outdated and undersized and this project includes updating and construction of new facilities for 25 sporting code across the far north. The work includes upgrade of court facilities, roading and carparking improvements, safer access around the entire park. A new pavilion capable of providing two full sized competition indoor courts and supporting facilities is planned. A recent sport strategy plan for the region has identified the need for this project. This project has been a 40 years planning process for the board starting in October 1983 and it is planned the new upgraded facility would to be opened on Labour weekend 2023*

4. This project will be located in which Territorial Authority:

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

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

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

*Professional fees / Consents \$987,000  
Construction \$8,224,000*

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

*During the design phases the project would provide the equivalent direct employment for 6 FTE. During the construction phase the project would provide the equivalent direct employment for 35 FTE. Supply chain during construction is likely to be in excess of 1.25 times the above.*

*Post construction the facility is likely to employ up to 10 FTE.*

*Further to the above there would be volunteer input from a team of 12 for the duration of the planning, construction and beyond.*

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

*The project is thus funded by a sports facility grant via Far North District Council [FNDC] of \$100,000 +GST. The project is currently underway with final viability and feasibility input allowing further funding from the following:*

- *Foundation North*
- *FNDC – [LTP includes funding allocation of \$2.1M]*
- *Northland Regional Council - [LTP includes funding allocation of \$1.4M]*
- *Lotteries*
- *Community Sponsorship*
- *Others*

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).

**Section 2: Construction Readiness [Criteria 1]**

11. Please briefly explain the status of the project including confirmation that the project will fall into one of the three categories of readiness (see 12 below).

*The project has already delivered lighting upgrades to field and wider park area.*

*The project is now in the feasibility stage for the main building and supporting infrastructure, this has been supported by FNDC thus far. The reserve management plan issued by FNDC includes this project.*

*While obtaining funding is likely to mean “Full” construction of the main complex may not have commenced it is hoped that some enabling work on the wider site would be in a position to start on or before 30 May 2020.*

12. 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	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>[Insert your relevant commentary here]</i>

slower rate or scale/scope, if not supported post COVID 19		
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 type="checkbox"/>	<i>[Insert your relevant commentary here]</i>
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>[Insert your relevant commentary here]</i>

13. 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Designations/Consents	<i>Approved</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>Lodged</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>In preparation</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Land Acquired	<i>Yes</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	<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>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	<i>None</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

*[Please briefly cover:*

- *Key barriers / risks to the project being 'shovel ready' are obtaining fees release and completion funding. Obtaining these earlier would accelerate the programme.*
- *The area is currently designated as sports / recreation use so the project would be a non-notifiable resource consent.*
- *Current programming has construction completion date [complex opening] scheduled for 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023, this could be brought forward significantly if funding was confirmed earlier.*

### 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 Framework<sup>2</sup> and Sustainable Development Goals<sup>3</sup>. 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.

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

*This project presents an excellent opportunity to infuse Ngapuhitanga into the communities of Kaikohe and surrounding areas. The Lindvart Park Reserve Management Plan identified that the current facilities do not adequately reflect the culture of the local population and encourages the infusion of Ngapuhitanga within its goals; Lindvart Park reflects a strong sense of place, history and Ngāpuhi identity and lists a Reserve Opportunity as; Strengthen the sense of place and cultural identity through re-design. Kaikohe, even though it is at the heart of Ngapuhi, presently has little for local or international tourists. With the development of a new playground, fitness trails, cycling trails and other family friendly activities, Lindvart Park becomes a place for all families from Northland to visit and stay. With cultural developments such as a Sculpture Trail reflecting Ngapuhitanga and other Kaikohe history, then Lindvart Park becomes a place to be visited by all tourists and becomes a place for the locals to be proud of.*

*- This project also provides an ideal opportunity to provide confidence and assurance to the people of Kaikohe, Ngapuhi and Northland by demonstrating that collaborative approaches through partnerships to achieve a goal (Sustainable Development Goal 17) offer a framework to realise the region's full potential. The implementation and achievement of this significant infrastructure project would be a shining light to the principle of teamwork and has the potential to be a positive change agent for local communities, hapu and iwi within the Northland Region.*

*A definition of a Sportsville includes: 'A partnership between sports clubs/codes and organisations who work in a strategic way with multiple internal and external stakeholders to develop their clubs and codes'. Significantly, the sporting community of Kaikohe made a decision around 10 years ago to form a Sportsville, have had this infrastructure as a main goal and have methodically and persistently worked towards achieving this goal over that time.*

*- Lindvart Park essentially operates as a sporting hub for many local and regional sporting organisations. The following have been identified as receiving significant benefits from the implementation of this project;*

*Bay of Islands Netball Association - the inclusion of two indoor courts would enable greater training and playing opportunities, especially as an option during inclement winter weather and in terms of a higher quality playing surface.*

*Northland Women's Farah Palmer Cup Rugby Team - Kaikohe is geographically located in the centre of Whangarei, Kaitaia, Kerikeri, Hokianga and other Northland towns, where this team draws the balance of its players from. Last season this team held its trainings in Kaikohe (and have planned to continue this practice moving forward). This team would also benefit from the opportunity to use a large indoor facility for training purposes when extreme weather conditions present challenges.*

*Northland Basketball and Ngapuhi Basketball teams - Again Kaikohe is geographically well positioned to reduce travel commitments for parents and players of representative teams for trials, training, local and regional competitions/tournaments. There is currently not a safe and suitable indoor gymnasium option in Kaikohe for these purposes. This project would enable more of these teams to trial, train and play at a venue closer to where they live.*

*Alternatively, the Kaikohe & Districts Sport and Recreation Facilities Refresh Plan could be referenced as this contains most of this information. Kaikohe's advantage as being a geographic centre of the Region being the main*

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

<sup>3</sup> <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/>

point here.

- Many other local organisations outside of sport could utilise for larger community and Regional events. Applicable examples could include kapa haka events, Manu Korero Northland speech competition, gymnastics, crossfit, hip hop dancing and wheelchair basketball.

- Kaikohe and surrounding areas have several schools in close proximity that don't currently have quality indoor sports options and could benefit greatly from having access to an indoor sports facility in Kaikohe. An accessible indoor sports facility has the potential to contribute towards Quality Education (Sustainable Development Goal 4) and Good Health and Well-being (Sustainable Development Goal 1) for the youth of Kaikohe.

A good example is that in the past Lindvart Park was used for running sports based holiday programmes. These are still run now but on a smaller scale. Past organisers found that it was very hard to entertain 120 young people inside the Pavilion when it rained, because there is not enough room to hold that many people plus activities.

The new multi-sport complex will enable holiday programmes to flourish. These programmes can offer a more active alternative to Oscar in a region which has little to offer youth during holidays, getting youth off the streets and into meaningful life-changing activities.

- Many of the sports and events that an indoor facility can cater to enable Gender Equality (Sustainable Development Goal 5). Importantly, ensuring gender equality sports and recreation opportunities was also identified as a focus within the recent Kaikohe & Districts Sport and Recreation Facilities Refresh Plan.

- Corrections New Zealand have the Northern Region Corrections Facility located about 5 kilometres away from Kaikohe at Ngawha. Corrections are a current user at Lindvart Park and have indicated they would continue to regularly use an indoor sports complex for their Control & Restraint training. This will contribute positively towards the sustainability of the facility (Sustainable Development Goal 11) and support to ensure an ongoing quality training venue for Corrections.

There is also an opportunity to partner further with Corrections and provide a pathway from Trade training to Release To Work with employment opportunities that could arise from this project (Reducing Inequality Sustainable Development Goal 10 and Decent Work and Economic Growth Sustainable Development Goal 8). An initiative such as this could contribute significantly towards Corrections goals of reducing reoffending (Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions Sustainable Development Goal 16).

- The extra car parking solutions that are planned as a part of the overall project will help to provide improved Health and Safety across Lindvart Park. Provide carparking areas that are safe and accessible to key sporting facilities is listed as an objective within the Lindvart Park RMP.

- The Pou Herenga Tai Twin Coast Cycle Trail borders Lindvart Park. Establish cycleways within Lindvart Park, where possible linking to the cycleway to the west of the reserve is also listed as an objective within the Lindvart Park RMP. Construct Fitness trails and public toilets are associated actions that could also provide significant benefit to locals and visitors to the Region. At the moment there is little reason for people using the cycleway to leave this cycleway and head into Kaikohe other than for a bite to eat. When Lindvart Park is redeveloped Kaikohe becomes not just a place to stop and eat but a destination to spend time at. Lindvart Park is very centrally located to act as a hub for people walking, cycling, picnicking, and touring.

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

During the design phases the project would provide the equivalent direct employment for 6 FTE. During the construction phase the project would provide the equivalent direct employment for 35 FTE. Supply chain during construction is likely to be in excess of 1.25 times the above.

Post construction the facility is likely to employ up to 10 FTE.

Further to the above there would be volunteer input from a team of 12 for the duration of the planning, construction and beyond.

17. 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	Med	<i>Obtaining of funding is key to the programme</i>
B. The risk the project will not be completed on time, to cost or to specification	Low	<i>This will be managed by a professional Project Management company &amp; Quantity Surveyors</i>
C. Risk the project will not realise the benefits outlined above	Low	<i>As per current &amp; previous investigative reports it is highly unlikely that this facility will be anything other than fully utilised by the community.</i>

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

*The Auckland University School of Medical and Health Sciences has stated:*  
 “The community of Kaikohe and indeed, the majority of the communities that use the town of Kaikohe as a service centre are amongst the most deprived communities in NZ and are in the top 5% of rankings across all of the deprivation factors identified in the Index of Multiple Deprivation which is based on NZ census data.” Further information related to this can be found here:  
<https://www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz/en/soph/about/our-departments/epidemiology-and-biostatistics/research/hgd/research-themes/imd.html>

#### Section 4: Impact of COVID-19

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

*The project is continuing currently however post COVID19 level 4 it is likely to be able to progress at a quicker pace.*

20. 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?

*Due to the current status of the project there is low to minimal impact.*  
*Post Covid-19 the opportunities to travel internationally and nationally maybe significantly reduced. There may be an increased opportunity to develop local and regional sporting initiatives through this project, which would provide greater social and sporting benefit to these communities.*

21. 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.

22. 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.

*[Top 2-3 actions (financial and non- financial) that Government can do to help progress or remove barriers to the project.]*

- 1. Provide immediate funding of approx. 7.5% of project value to accelerate the initial stages to assist an earlier design and consenting start. This would allow the project to meet the desired time frame of construction starting by 30 May 2020.*
- 2. Provide support / key messaging and the like that facilities such as these are a must in the times of stimulus generation.*
- 3. Provide further funding support to allow construction to continue beyond design phase*

***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.***