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Dear Clare

Thank you for applying for an exemption to the plan stop policy under section 80V of the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act). I have considered your exemption request according to the criteria set out under section 80W of the Act and have taken the decision to decline, in full, your request.

Auckland Council applied for an exemption for Plan Change 113 to the Auckland Unitary Plan (PC113) under s80W(2)(h) of the Act.

I am not satisfied that PC113 meets the criteria under s80W(2)(h) of the Act and therefore will be declined in full. I have taken this decision because the impacts of PC113 are inconsistent with the Government's intentions for a resource management system with "less red tape" that is premised on the enjoyment of property rights.

Should you have any further questions about the process from here, you are welcome to contact my officials at plan.exemptions@mfe.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

Hon Chris Bishop

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