



STAGE 14 COVENANTS

DEFINITIONS

1. Definitions: In these Covenants:
 - 1.1 **“Building”** or **“Buildings”** means any residential dwelling-house or primary building on the Lot.
 - 1.2 **“Ancillary Building”** or **“Ancillary Buildings”** means any building or structure associated with the Buildings on the Lot which requires Local Authority Consent.
 - 1.3 **“Garage”** means any garage or carport on the Lot.
 - 1.4 **“Aotea”** means Carrus Limited or any other person or persons nominated by Carrus Limited. If Aotea has been dissolved or wound up or otherwise gone out of existence, “approval by Aotea” will mean approval by any party appointed and/or nominated by Aotea for this purpose.
 - 1.5 **“Aotea Development”** means the land being developed and/or subdivided by Carrus Limited known as “Aotea” in Porirua, Wellington.
 - 1.6 **“Local Authority”** means Porirua City Council.
 - 1.7 **“Local Authority Owned Land”** means any road or reserve owned or controlled by the Local Authority in the Aotea Development.
 - 1.8 **“Lot”** means the Servient Tenement or any part of it. For avoidance of doubt, any reference to “Lot” in these covenants includes a reference to a Lot created from further subdivision should it be permitted.
 - 1.9 **“Plans and Specifications”** means plans, drawings, specifications and other documents from which the Buildings, Ancillary Buildings and Garages are to be constructed (including details of materials, location and design).
 - 1.10 **“Purchaser”** means the Grantor being the registered proprietor of the Lot and includes the Purchaser’s agents, employees, contractors, subcontractors, tenants, licensees, and other invitees.
2. Interpretation: In these Covenants headings are for reference purposes only.

FENCING COVENANTS

1. Aotea shall not be liable to pay for or contribute towards the cost of erection or maintenance of any fence between any Lot in Stage 14 of the Aotea Development and any adjoining land owned by Aotea but this condition shall not endure for the benefit of any subsequent purchaser of such adjoining land or any part of that adjoining land.
2. The registered proprietor agrees to meet the total cost of construction of any fence to be constructed on the boundary of adjoining land if that land is owned by the Local Authority and the Purchaser will not seek contribution from Aotea or the Local Authority.

LAND & BUILDING COVENANTS

1. The Purchaser acknowledges that the Lot is part of the Aotea Development which is intended to be established as a modern and well-designed subdivision. In accordance with this intention, Aotea will exercise supervision and control in relation to the nature and type of construction permitted in the Aotea development and the standard of surroundings being maintained.
2. The Purchaser will be bound by these Covenants, although Aotea may, in writing, at the sole and unfettered discretion of Aotea, waive part, any or all of these Covenants, on such terms and conditions as Aotea may require.
3. In any circumstances where Aotea's approval is required in respect of any covenant, then any approval shall be at Aotea's sole discretion and in no circumstance shall Aotea be required to give any reason for its decision.
4. The Purchaser covenants:

Building Requirements

- 4.1 To construct only one new Building and if required, one associated Ancillary Building on the Lot.
- 4.2 To construct a Building with a floor area of not less than 130 square metres (with the floor area measurement to be exclusive of any Garage, decking, breezeways, entry porches, verandas or roof overhang).
- 4.3 To construct a minimum of one Garage on the Lot which is to be attached to the Building. The Garage must be constructed in the same architectural style with the same cladding materials as the Building.
- 4.4 To construct any Ancillary Building so that:
 - (a) it does not extend beyond the front building alignment of the Building;
 - (b) it is constructed in the same architectural style with the same cladding materials as the Building;
- 4.5 To locate:
 - (a) any attachments (including but not limited to television antenna,) around or on the Building, Ancillary Building and Garages; and
 - (b) all washing lines, rubbish and garden bins, gas systems/bottles and airconditioning units

so they are not highly visible from any road or boundaries and neighbouring properties.
- 4.6 The location of all solar panels must be approved in writing by Aotea.
- 4.7 To construct in a proper and tradesmanlike manner a driveway, or vehicle access in a permanent continuous surfacing of concrete, concrete block, brick paving, or sealing.

Plans and Specifications

- 4.8 To have all Plans and Specifications for Buildings, Ancillary Buildings and Garages approved in writing by Aotea prior to the Purchaser applying for a Building Consent or commencing any works on the Lot (including preparatory work). In determining whether or not to approve the Plans and Specifications, Aotea will take into account

the appearance of the proposed Buildings, Ancillary Buildings and Garages and the appearance of other buildings in Aotea Development. The intention is that there should be a range of styles, designs and appearance of buildings within Aotea Development.

- 4.9 To construct any Buildings, Ancillary Buildings and Garages in accordance with the Plans and Specifications approved in writing by Aotea. Any modification or variation to the approved Plans and Specifications will require further written approval by Aotea prior to such work commencing.
- 4.10 Written approval provided by Aotea is for subdivision standard control purposes only and implies no warranty as to the product, design, quality or suitability of the Buildings, Ancillary Buildings and/or Garages on the Lot in any manner whatsoever.

Construction Materials, Cladding and Finishing

- 4.11 To construct any Buildings, Ancillary Buildings and Garages so that:
 - (a) a minimum of 60% of the non-glazed exterior cladding of any Building consists of any of the following materials: kiln fired or concrete brick, plaster or cement texture finish, stone, linea or timber weatherboard (with a maximum erected width not exceeding 150mm), or any other exterior cladding material for which the Purchaser has first obtained Aotea's consent in writing;
 - (b) all exterior surfaces (which are not pre-colour coated or finished) are painted, or stained prior to the Building being occupied. Where a Building has a basement, exposed subfloors, framing and/or decks, the exposed areas shall be clad in permanent materials in conformity with the main parts of the residence;
 - (c) any wall predominantly facing the road frontage must include at least one window or feature;
 - (d) the finished permanent colour(s) of exterior cladding are subdued and non-vibrant colours;
 - (e) there are no reflective surfaces on any exterior cladding or roofing on the Buildings and any other ancillary buildings. In order not to create a glare offensive to adjoining property owners, not to use any metal clad roofing that has not been factory pre-painted or use any roofing material which exceeds 20% reflectivity as measured on the British Standard Specification Colour Range BS5252 or equivalent.
 - (f) the exterior cladding and colours of the Ancillary Buildings and Garages are in keeping with the main Buildings.

Construction

- 4.12 To ensure all agents, employees, contractors, sub-contractors, tenants, licensees and other occupiers of the Lot are made aware of the restrictions created by these Covenants and are required to comply with these Covenants.
- 4.13 Before commencement of construction, the Purchaser will erect either a temporary or permanent fence around the perimeter of the Lot to define the construction zone. Any temporary fencing erected for the construction phase of the Buildings shall be removed within 8 weeks of construction being completed.
- 4.14 Before the commencement of construction of any Buildings, Ancillary Buildings and Garages the stockpiling and storage of materials on the Lot is strictly prohibited.

- 4.15 Before, during and after construction, the use of adjacent or abutting land and footpaths for access, is strictly prohibited, provided however, that the Purchaser can only have access across any other site upon obtaining prior written approval from the owner. Stockpiling and dumping of rubbish is strictly prohibited. Once construction has commenced, the Purchaser shall ensure container bins are kept on the Lot for the accumulation, containment and disposal of all rubbish. When necessary all rubbish must be removed.
- 4.16 The Purchaser will ensure that all landscaping, berms, roading, footpaths and kerbs are kept clean and free from debris prior, during and after construction. The Purchaser shall re-instate, replace and be responsible for all costs arising from damage to the landscaping, berms, roading, footpaths, kerbs, streetlights, street signs, concrete or any other structures in the subdivision arising from the Purchaser's use of the land directly or indirectly through the Purchaser's actions.
- 4.17 Notwithstanding Clause 4.34 of these Covenants, during the construction period, a temporary building/container and other building equipment is allowed on the Lot to be used in conjunction with the construction of the Buildings, Ancillary Buildings and Garages but must be removed within 8 weeks of practical completion of the Buildings.

Completion of Works

- 4.18 To complete any construction of the Buildings, Ancillary Buildings, Garages (including the exterior painting and decorating of Buildings, Ancillary Buildings, Garages) and the driveway/vehicle access within 9 months of commencement of excavation of the building site.
- 4.19 Within 9 months of the completion of the Buildings, Ancillary Buildings and Garages:
- (a) submit to Aotea for written approval full landscaping plans for the said lot, and further within that 9 months, undertake all landscaping as detailed in those approved plans, together with reinstating the Local Authority owned land surrounding the lot. Such plans must encompass fences, paths, driveways, retaining walls, lawns, letterbox and sufficient plants, trees and shrubs to enhance the street appeal of the said Buildings, Ancillary Buildings and Garages. A minimum of 2 trees of 1.8m-5m in height at the time of planting, must be planted on the road/right-of-way frontage of the Lot. In determining whether or not to approve the plans, Aotea will take into account the appearance of the proposed Building, Ancillary Buildings and Garages and surrounding Buildings and streetscape;
- and
- (b) permanent interior window furnishings must be hung.
- 4.20 That except for driveways, not to carry out landscaping on the road frontage of the Local Authority Owned Land except in accordance with the general overall landscaping plan prepared by Aotea and approved by the Local Authority.

Fencing

- 4.21 All final and permanent fences are to comply with Local Authority requirements.

All fences built within 3 metres from the road frontage boundary shall not exceed 1.2 metres in height from Aotea's finished ground level where the fence is to be built and the design thereof, must be approved in writing by Aotea. All other fences shall not exceed 1.8 metres in height above Aotea's finished ground level on the Lot where the fence is to be built.

Should screening be required for privacy between the Building and the road frontage

boundary, Aotea may grant dispensation to this ruling by way of written approval. For ease of clarification, this fence shall combine either permeable materials and/or be aesthetically designed, together with soft landscaping.

Except during the time of construction, not to erect any fence constructed of shade cloth, netting, plastic, steel of any profile, long-run or corrugated iron, un-textured wood-fibre cement panels, plywood, fibrolite or post and wire.

- 4.22 Not to alter, interfere with, paint, add to, or otherwise change the entrance walls or subdivision features, or their fittings or attachments including any hedges, apart from the maintenance thereof without the prior written approval of Aotea.
- 4.23 That written approval provided by Aotea is for subdivision standard control purposes only and implies no warranty as to the product, design, quality or suitability of the fences on the Lot in any manner whatsoever.

Retaining Structures

- 4.24 To construct all retaining structures in compliance with the Local Authority requirements. For retaining structures within 3 metres of the boundary of the Lot (where that boundary borders any Local Authority Owned Land or any right-of-way)
 - (a) ensure any retaining structures do not exceed 1.5 metres in height above Aotea's finished ground level of the Lot where the retaining structure is to be built; and
 - (b) for retaining that is required to exceed 1.5 metres in height, retaining structures must be stepped by a minimum of 500mm and landscaped to soften the visual appearance of the retaining structure. No stepped increment shall exceed 1.5 metres in height.
 - (c) Should a fence and retaining structure be built as one, the measurements shall not exceed 2.5 metres above Aotea's finished ground level from where the structure is to be built.

Land Use

- 4.25 Not to subdivide the Lot further without the prior written approval of Aotea. In approving any subdivision, Aotea will ensure these subdivided Lots are scattered throughout the area and will take into account the appearance of other Buildings, Ancillary Buildings and Garages so that there are a range of styles and designs.
- 4.26 Not to permit:
 - (a) the Lot to be occupied or used as a residence unless the Buildings have been completed in accordance with the Covenants and the Local Authority Code of Compliance Certificates have been issued for the Buildings;
 - (b) Ancillary Buildings or Garages on the Lot to be lived in or otherwise used as dwellings.
- 4.27 Not to permit the Lot, Buildings, Ancillary Buildings and Garages to be used on a commercial basis unless the prior written approval of Aotea has been obtained and all Local Authority requirements have been met.
- 4.28 Following construction of the Buildings not to display more than one advertisement, sign or hoarding of a commercial nature on the Lot. Any advertisement, sign or hoarding:

- (a) must not measure in excess of 1000mm x 1000mm;
 - and
 - (b) must be kept in good condition at all times.
- 4.29 Not to allow on any buildings, structures, driveways, landscaping, signs or fencing on the Lot to fall into disrepair.
- 4.30 Not to allow any graffiti (or similar disfiguring) on the Buildings, Ancillary Buildings, Garages, fences, retaining structures or any other structure on the Lot to remain in place for more than 5 working days from the date the Purchaser became aware of the graffiti or disfiguring.
- 4.31 Not to construct any road on any part of the Lot to provide access to any adjoining Lot.
- 4.32 To, at all times, keep mown and maintained in a neat and tidy condition (and prevent from becoming unsightly) the Lot and adjoining Local Authority Owned Land.
- 4.33 Not to bring on to the Lot any more than 3 animals limited to fish, reptiles, birds, dogs, cats, guinea pigs or rabbits. Livestock and Roosters are not permitted. Where possible, all animals on the Lot must be controlled:
- (a) so as not to become a nuisance to others within Aotea Development;
 - and
 - (b) to prevent them from roaming Aotea Development at will.
- 4.34 Not to bring on to, or to allow to remain on the Lot or Local Authority Owned Land, anything set out in the applicable categories in this clause, unless they are garaged or adequately screened from the road and surrounding properties (so as to protect the aesthetic qualities of Aotea Development and prevent noise likely to cause offence to residents). The applicable categories are:
- (a) vehicles with a gross laden weight exceeding 3,500kgs (including recreational and trade vehicles);
 - (b) more than one sign written vehicle;
 - (c) temporary buildings (including sheds and containers);
 - (d) buses, Caravans, Motorhomes, or Pleasure-craft/Boats;
 - (e) trailers or any other equipment, materials or machinery.
- 4.35 If the Purchaser proposes to locate anything set out in the applicable categories in Clauses 4.34(a) to 4.34(e) beyond the front building alignment of the Building, then the required screening must be approved in writing by Aotea and the approved screening must be in place prior to that object being brought on to the Lot.
- 4.36 Not to allow anything set out in the applicable categories of Clauses 4.34(a) to 4.34(e) to be maintained, repaired or have other work carried out on Local Authority Owned Land.
- 4.37 Not to bring on to, or to allow to remain on the Lot any vehicle, caravan, bus or motorhome which is used for residential use other than for the short term occupation by visitors which must not exceed 2 weeks in any 6 month period.

- 4.38 To ensure due allowance is made for adequate current and future drainage of all storm-water from the Lot, such storm-water drainage not to be detrimental to the water quality of the stormwater network. The Purchaser will also ensure that no discharge from the Lot whether of a soluble or insoluble nature shall occur. The Purchaser is responsible for all costs, claims or demands for any remedial action undertaken for any breach thereof.
- 4.39 That it will at all times save harmless and keep indemnified Aotea from all proceedings, costs, claims and demands in respect of breaches by the Purchaser of these Covenants.
5. Breach of Covenants & Enforcement
- 5.1 If there is a breach of any of these covenants (and without prejudice to any other liability which the Purchaser may have to any person having the benefit of this covenant) and the Purchaser does not rectify the breach within 10 working days of written notice being made by Aotea then the Purchaser will pay to Aotea:
- (a) liquidated damages of the sum of \$250.00 per day for every day that the breach or breaches continue after the date of written demand until the breach or breaches are remedied; and
 - (b) any costs and expenses (including legal costs) incurred by Aotea to remedy the breach.
- 5.2 The rights of Aotea to enforce the terms of the rights and benefits conferred by these covenants will remain in place until the earlier of 31 December 2035 or
- (a) 60 calendar months from the date on which Aotea ceases to be a registered proprietor of any Lot forming part of the Aotea Development; or
 - (b) Aotea relinquishing these rights in writing to the successor in title.
- 5.3 From the applicable date set out in clause 5.2 the right to enforce the rights and benefits so conferred will in accordance with normal legal principles vest in the registered proprietors of any lot forming part of the Dominant Tenement.
- 5.4 In the event that one or more provisions of these Covenants are at any time found to be invalid or otherwise rendered unenforceable, such provision or provisions will be severable from these Covenants, so that the validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions of these Covenants are not affected.
- 5.5 The burden of these covenants shall not apply to any land vested or to be vested in the Porirua City Council as open space, reserve (within the meaning of the Reserves Act 1977) or road (within the meaning of Section 315 of the Local Government Act 1974, as contained by the Local Government Act 2002) so long as it remains open space, reserve or road, and
- (a) Aotea reserves the right to waive or consent to the vesting of such land in Porirua City Council as open space, reserve or road, free of any such covenants;
 - (b) the Purchaser, for itself and any person claiming an interest in the land through or under the Purchaser, appoints Aotea as it's attorney to exercise the powers set out in 5.5 (a);
 - (c) the production of an agreement signed by the Purchaser containing or annexing these covenants shall be sufficient authority for the exercise of the powers set out in 5.5 (a);

- 5.6 Notwithstanding Clause 5.5 the benefits of these covenants so far as they are applicable to any land within a distance of 0.5 kilometres from any open space, reserve or road vested in the Council, shall extend to the Council; and the Purchaser agrees that these covenants confer a benefit on the Porirua City Council for the purposes of the Contracts (Privity) Act 1982. The rights conferred by this clause are in addition to, and do not exclude, any rights which the Porirua City Council may have at law.

6. Expiry of Covenants

- 6.1 These covenants will continue in force for the benefit of the registered proprietors of any lot forming part of the Dominant Tenement until 31 December 2035 at which time they will expire.

7. Dispute Resolution

- 7.1 If a dispute in relation to any covenant arises between the parties who have a registered interest under these covenants:
- (a) the party/parties initiating the dispute must provide full written particulars of the dispute to the other party/parties;
 - (b) the parties must promptly meet and in good faith try to resolve the dispute using informal dispute resolution techniques, which may include negotiation, mediation, independent expert appraisal, or any other dispute resolution technique that may be agreed by the parties; and
 - (c) If the dispute is not resolved within 20 working days of the written particulars being given (or any longer period agreed by the parties):
 - (i) The dispute must be referred to arbitration in accordance with the Arbitration Act 1996;
 - and
 - (ii) The arbitration must be conducted by a single arbitrator to be agreed on by the parties or, failing agreement, to be appointed by the President of the New Zealand Law Society.