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Review of fibre-ready facilities exemptions

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the review of the fibre-ready facilities exemptions.

It is considered that the matters covered by the 2011 Instrument and the 2021 Instrument remain important and need to continue.

However, the process by which developers claim exemptions could be improved.

Developers are responsible for claiming exemptions. If a developer does not claim an exemption there does not appear to be follow up to ensure that fibre-ready facilities have been installed. It is recommended that there be a register of developments that have installed fibre-ready facilities.

We would be willing to place conditions on our planning permits requiring either an exemption from installing fibre-ready facilities, or evidence of fibre ready facilities having been installed, prior to sealing a final plan of subdivision or certifying a strata plan for a multiple residential development.

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