

ViaStrada's guide to the Christchurch City Council's

Streamline Resource Consent Programme



A Guide to the Streamline Resource Consent Programme

→ HOW THE STREAMLINE PROCESS WORKS:

ViaStrada prepares and submits the resource consent application in the Council planning report template format – effectively condensing the actual application and the Council's subsequent assessment report into one. The Council then undertakes a peer review of the application, and signs off the decision. The process removes the need for the Council planner to write a report, thus the process is streamlined – Council decisions are turned around faster and Council processing fees are lower.

Whilst reduced Council fees are offset by ViaStrada's fees such that the net cost is largely unchanged, applicants benefit through shorter timeframes, greater certainty and freeing up of resources otherwise spent preparing and managing the resource consent.

→ TO BE ELIGIBLE:

There are limitations on the type of resource consents that are eligible for the Streamline programme. To be accepted the application must meet certain criteria:

- Applications must be prepared by and received from approved consultants (such as ViaStrada) in the Council's report/decision format;
- The service is only available for non-notified applications, that do not require expert or specialist technical input;
- Where written approvals from affected persons are required, they are provided when the application is lodged;
- No complex or contentious applications are accepted into the process.

→ INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS:

For ViaStrada to prepare and lodge a resource consent application under the Streamline programme the following must be provided:

- A full set of scaled plans (existing and proposed site / layout plan, floor and elevation plans).
- A current copy of the Certificate of Title (if required, we are able to obtain these at cost).
- Where affected parties consents are required, we can prepare the required form for you.
- Affected parties consents must be signed by all joint owners/occupiers, with copies of the relevant plans also signed.
- A cheque made out to Christchurch City Council for the application fee deposit.

→ COUNCIL FEES:

Normal Council resource consent application fee deposits are required at the time of lodgement – \$650 or \$1000 depending on the non-compliances identified. Whilst the Council does not guarantee reduced fees, the overall costs of the application are inevitably less due to the streamlining process – resulting in a refund of the fee deposit less Council costs.

An example of a ViaStrada report lodged with Council under the Streamline Programme is available on our website at: www.viastrada.co.nz/streamline

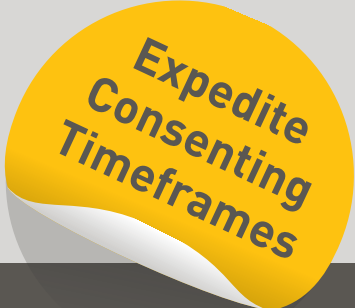
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URGENT
PROJECTS**

Side by Side Comparison of CCC Standard & Streamline Resource Consent

PREPARATION OF RC APPLICATION

RC LODGED AT COUNCIL

	Standard RC Process	Streamline RC Process	
Architect / Building Co. / Client	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation of plans Neighbours approvals Collation of title & supporting documents Write application & justifications for approval in Assessment of Effects on the Environment (AEE) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation of plans Neighbours approvals 	Architect / Building Co. / Client
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ViaStrada collate all relevant info ViaStrada prepare RC application in Council report format 	ViaStrada Aim to complete within 1-2 working days
Council Up to 20 working days timeframe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive & check application Possible request for further information or neighbours approvals Council planner visits site Council planner writes report making recommendation to grant/decline consent Report goes to Council Officer Panel for decision Decision admin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive & check application ViaStrada report vetted by planner and then goes straight to Council officer panel for decision Decision admin 	Council Reduced time-frame, approx. 3 - 7 working days
		<p>Time savings Council processing cost savings Increased certainty</p>	



Examples of Streamline Process - Council time and cost

Free up
resources
from preparing
consents

Application description	CCC fee deposit	CCC fee refund	Total CCC cost	CCC processing time
Vanadium Pl - industrial refurbishment involving traffic input	\$1000	\$459	\$541	9 working days
Regents Park Dr - relocated building, 2nd residential unit on complying site size, internal boundary non-compliances	\$1000	\$318	\$682	10 working days
Teviotdale Lane - residential dwelling, Living HA zone, minor built structures exceeding site coverage	\$1000	\$505	\$495	6 working days
Somerville Crescent - residential dwelling, street scene non-compliance	\$1000	\$549	\$451	4 working days
Butler Street - 1st floor residential addition, recession plane intrusion	\$600 (n.b. old CCC fee structure)	\$428	\$172	11 working days

Call or email now to find out more about how ViaStrada can tailor this process to meet your business needs.

We would be happy to provide further examples of our work and discuss how we can assist you and your clients.

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