



# Redcliffs School

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Hon. Hekia Parata  
Ministry of Education  
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**By hand: Ministry of Education, Christchurch Office, 39 Princess Street, Christchurch.**

Dear Honourable Hekia Parata,

Please find enclosed further submission on behalf of the Redcliffs School Board of Trustees in response to your interim decision dated 25 November 2015, your letter received on 9 December 2015 and under section 154 of the Education Act.

The submission attaches substantial material from various experts. In view of this, and in particular the geotechnical information in relation to the mitigation measures which address the issue of potential disruption, the Board requires the opportunity to present, and further explain, in person to the Minister and Ministry officials the submission. We propose a meeting with the Minister and Ministry officials with Eliot Sinclair present. In particular there is computer modelling in relation to the bund design which is much easier to demonstrate using a computer programme.

Please advise a suitable time for a meeting in Christchurch to present the submission.

Following this meeting, the next step will be for the expert peer review process to take place in respect of both the geotechnical and transport aspects of the submission, as recommended in the Eliot Sinclair report and the joint witness statement from the transport experts. The need for a robust peer review process has been discussed between the geotechnical experts.

Obviously the Minister will then need to consider the Board's submission and further advice which comes out of the expert peer review process before making a final decision. During that period the Board and its experts will remain ready to engage with the Minister or Ministry and their experts to discuss the submission and/or the issues with a view to answering any questions and resolving the Minister's remaining concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Kent France  
Chairman  
Redcliffs School Board of Trustees

CC: Hon. Gerry Brownlee, Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery  
Hon. Dr. Jonathan Coleman, Minister for Health