



REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Weekly Report 18 to 22 June 2018

Date:	22 June 2018	Priority:	Medium
Security classification:	In Confidence	Tracking number:	3869 17-18

Action sought		
	Action sought	Deadline
Hon Shane Jones Minister for Regional Economic Development	Discuss at the next officials meeting	N/A
Fletcher Tabuteau Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister for Regional Economic Development	Discuss at the next officials meeting	N/A

Contact for telephone discussion (if required)			
Name	Position	Telephone	1st contact
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AJ Millward	General Manager Strategy and Governance		✓
Robert Pigou	Acting Head of Investment		



1. Provincial Growth Fund Proposals

Wairoa

Comment:

Wairoa District Council is being supported by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) with strategic planning and Provincial Growth Fund (PGF) process guidance. A third planning workshop is scheduled for 26 June 2018.

An application for Capability Support (\$250K) has been submitted. The funding being sought is for the provision of capability support for Wairoa District Council's project office. It will also be used to conduct studies that identify economic development opportunities, and to prepare subsequent PGF applications.

Responsible Manager: Stephanie Weller, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

The application will be presented for SRO decision 28 June 2018.

Te Tau Ihu (Top of the South)

Comment:

The Mayors from Nelson, Tasman and Marlborough, iwi and Wakatu Incorporated agreed to develop the Te Tau Ihu 2077 – Regional Growth Strategy. The long term strategy will identify strengths and weaknesses of the region and prioritise their regional economic development opportunities. An initial Steering Group potentially comprising all eight iwi, the three Councils and business representatives with Wakatu Incorporated as one of the business representatives will be formed. Further hui will be held to confirm the governance and management going forward.

Responsible Manager: Stephanie Weller, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

Wakatu Incorporation will craft an application for support through the PGF based on the outcome of the hui held on 15 June.

28th Maori Battalion National Museum

Comment

Consultation is still being undertaken with whanau and representatives of the 28th Maori Battalion to gain their input and support for the museum project. To date there has been strong support from Company's A and B for the project with conditional support from C Company.

We have contracted Privacy of natural persons and Privacy of natural persons to meet with veteran's whanau to inform them of the project and to express that support at the regional hui. Further hui are taking place in Auckland on 24 June and Christchurch on 8 July. The intended attendees are whanau of all the Company's based in Auckland and D Company in Christchurch.

Consultation is being undertaken concurrently with the planning, consenting and procurement for the museum structures.

Responsible Manager: John Doorbar, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

We will keep you informed of progress



Southern Waikato Economic Action Plan

Comment:

Work on the Southern Waikato Economic Action Plan is underway. Three district workshops have been held to date, in Te Kuiti, Otorohanga and Tokoroa, each attracting around 40-50 participants. Attendees have been primarily from the business sector, with representatives of local iwi (Maniapoto and Ruakawa) also in attendance. Further workshops with iwi, as well as one-on-one interviews with key stakeholders across the three districts, will continue into July. Early indications are that there are opportunities in sectors such as forestry, agriculture and tourism, as well as in cross-cutting areas such as youth employment and improving perceptions of the South Waikato area.

Responsible Manager: Stephanie Weller, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

Further stakeholder engagement will take place into July with a report on economic opportunities in the sub-region scheduled to be completed by September. The final Action Plan is due in early 2019 and is likely to lead to proposals for PGF funding.

New Waikato Economic Development Agency

Comment:

A new Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency (REDA) will be operational from 1 July 2018. The agency's objectives will be to lift economic performance across the whole Waikato region, attract and grow new business investment and talent, and be 'one voice' for economic development in the region. The REDA will be based at the Waikato Innovation Park (WIP), with current WIP Chief Executive Stuart Gordon as the REDA's Establishment Chief Executive. The REDA will absorb Waikato Means Business, the 20-year economic development strategy created with input from regional business leaders, as well as Waikato Innovation Park's business development functions.

The first major task for the REDA is the organisation of a Waikato Economic Summit on 30 & 31 August, which will bring together business, iwi and Māori, local government, central government and philanthropic leaders to agree on the region's economic priorities and potential PGF proposals. You will be invited to attend.

Responsible Manager: Stephanie Weller, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

Central government agencies will continue to work with Waikato Means Business / the new REDA to identify potential PGF proposals for the region.



2. Provincial Development Unit

LGOIMA request for PGF information

Comment:

The Provincial Development Unit (PDU) has been informed by a number of councils it works with of a Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) request that, in part, asks for all information received by councils from MBIE, the Office of the Minister for Regional Economic Development or any other government department/agency in relation to the PGF.

Responsible Manager: AJ Millward, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

The PDU is working with Local Government New Zealand to offer help to councils in preparing relevant information.

PipeDrive Update

Comment:

PipeDrive has been updated this week. The PDU has added two new pipelines, one to store 'on hold' and 'withdrawn' projects called Inactive Projects Pipeline, and one to track projects through the contracting phase post SRO and RED Ministers' decisions called PGF Legal Contracting. This has provided a change in the total figures for this week's update as our numbers now capture the 'on hold' and 'withdrawn' projects.

As at 18 June 2018, 240 projects have been lodged in PipeDrive. 21 projects are new this week. Of the 240 projects, 119 are Expressions of Interest (Eols) and 121 are applications. 5 projects are on hold.

Responsible Manager: Robert Pigou, Privacy of natural persons

3. Māori Economic Development

Pakihi Māori small business workshops

Comment:

The Pakihi National Launch will take place on Friday, 22 June 2018 in Ngāruawāhia. Minister Mahuta is scheduled to speak.

Pakihi provides free business workshops and mentoring to help Māori business move forward, flourish and succeed. As part of the launch day activities, thirty participants are registered to take part in five workshop topics.

Pakihi is an MBIE He kai kei aku ringa initiative funded through the Māori Innovation Fund. Te Wānanga o Aotearoa is contracted to deliver the programme that runs to November 2019. The launch is being co-hosted with Waikato-Tainui.

The website for Pakihi will go live at the launch www.pakihi.co.nz

Responsible Manager: Hinemaui Rikirangi, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

Following the launch, the full schedule of 200 workshops in 25 locations around the country will start in early July 2018.



4. Upcoming Meetings and Events

Time / Meeting with / Purpose	Support
Monday 25 June	
8:30-9:00am Minister Jones: MBIE Officials prep for wider RED Ministers meeting	Officials to attend
Tuesday 26 June	
7:00-7:30pm Minister Jones: wider RED Ministers meeting	Briefing provided on 22 June 2018
Wednesday 27 June	
9:30-10:30am Minister Jones: MPI weekly officials meeting	PDU official to attend
12:00-12:30pm Minister Jones: Speech at the Industry Training Federation (ITF) 'Skills in a changing world' conference	Aide memoire with key facts and figures provided on 21 June 2018
3:30-4:30pm Minister Jones: MBIE weekly officials meeting	
Thursday 28 June	
11:40am-12:10pm Minister Jones: Meeting with Minister Clark and Parker re high value manufacturing in Dunedin	Briefing due 26 June 2018
12:30-1:00pm Minister Jones: Meeting with Petroleum Exploration and Production Association of New Zealand	Briefing due 26 June 2018
Friday 29 June	

July

RED Ministers meeting
Meeting with Hiringa Energy
Nelson/Te Tau Ihu visit
Taranaki visit
West Coast visit
Northland visit
Dunedin visit
Launch Investment Statement

September

RED Ministers meeting
Waikato visit (USEC)
Wairarapa, Kapiti visit

August

Bay of Connections forum
Independent Advisory Panel meeting
Bay of Plenty visit
East Coast visit
Manawatu-Whanganui visit

October

Independent Advisory Panel meeting
Southland, Dunedin visit
Kaikohe visit
East Coast visit (USEC)



5. Media and Communications Schedule:

Event or announcement date	Activity	Speech / media release due	MBIE Contact
29 June	Bay of Plenty-focused announcements on the Big Moves Projects (SROs approved), Visitor Economy Strategy (region led)	Under-Secretary's office will be provided with communications material	Julia Paterson-Fourie
July 2018 TBC	Provincial Growth Fund Investment Statement	Minister Jones' office will be provided with communications material	TBC

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6. Completed Briefings, Aide Memoire and Reports

Tracker number	Title	Minister/USEC	Signed out by	Date delivered
3764 17-18	Hon Kris Faafoi and Jon Johansson re Kapiti air services support (see letter from Kapiti Coast District Council Mayor)	Minister Jones	Stephanie Weller	18 June 2018
3831 17-18	Information to support speech at ITF conference	Minister Jones	Jivan Grewal	21 June 2018
3811 17-18	Cabinet paper – Further decisions on the Provincial Growth Fund	Minister Jones	AJ Millward	22 June 2018
3900 17-18	Provincial Growth Fund update – information for wider	Minister Jones	AJ Millward	22 June 2018
3901 17-18	Wider RED Ministers meeting	Minister Jones	AJ Millward	22 June 2018

7. Upcoming Cabinet Papers, Briefings, Aide Memoire and Reports

Tracker number	Title	Minister/USEC	Signed out by	Delivery Date
3871 17-18	Event Briefing for Bay of Plenty announcements on 29 June	USEC	Stephanie Weller	25 June 2018
3633 17-18	How Ministers are informed of PGF proposals	Minister Jones	AJ Millward	25 June 2018
3794 17-18	Aide-Memoire on how the PDU considers hospital-related requests for the PGF	Minister Jones	AJ Millward	25 June 2018
3804 17-18	Reported labour shortages in the Silviculture industry in the Hawkes Bay	Minister Jones/USEC	Hinemaui Rikirangi	26 June 2018
3713 17-18	Event Briefing for meeting with Ministers Clark and Parker re high value manufacturing in Dunedin on 28 June	Minister Jones	Stephanie Weller	26 June 2018
3872 17-18	Event briefing for meeting with PEPANZ	Minister Jones	Stephanie Weller	26 June 2018



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3859 17-18	Paper to support RED Delegated Ministers meeting on 2 July	Minister Jones	Nigel Bickle	26 June 2018
3873 17-18	Clarification on central and local government forum action points	USEC	AJ Millward	27 June 2018
2823 17-18	Ongoing resourcing for the PDU and other agencies to administer the PGF	Minister Jones	Nigel Bickle	29 June 2018
3240 17-18	Event briefing for meeting with Tourism Export Council NZ	USEC	Richard Davies	29 June 2018
3878 17-18	Information about EcoKiwi Recycling	Minister Jones	John Doorbar	2 July 2018
TBC	Event briefing for meeting with Andrew Clennett from Hiringa Energy on 5 July	Minister Jones	Stephanie Weller	3 July 2018



8. Ministerial Servicing

Ministerial OIAs					
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor	Request / Status Update
SJOIA81	Privacy of natural persons	11 Jun 2018	2 Jul 2018	9 Jul 2018	Any information including, but not limited to Cabinet papers, memos, correspondence, impact statements and risks analysis documents relating to the June 1, 2018 announcement that through the Provincial Growth Fund, Northland would receive "\$20 million into projects that create jobs" as part of the overall \$46 million "investment package."

Departmental OIAs					
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office (if applicable)	Date due to requestor	Request / Status Update
1718-1713	Privacy of natural persons	29 May 2018	20 Jun 2018	27 Jun 2018	Can I please request the applications of all three Provincial Growth Fund submitters from the Wairarapa region
1718-1720	Privacy of natural persons	30 May 2018	N/A	28 Jun 2018	Which Rotorua organisations/businesses have so far applied for the PGF? How much you can tell me about who has applied for what if the application process is still underway? If you can't go into specifics, maybe some general figures about Rotorua applications would be possible?
1718-1769	Privacy of natural persons	11 Jun 2018	2 Jul 2018	9 Jul 2018	Under section 12 of the Official Information Act 1982 ("the Act") I request a copy of all briefings provided to the Minister for Regional Economic Development for the Economic Development, Science and Innovation Committee meeting on 7th June 2018



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Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office (if applicable)	Date due to requestor	Request / Status Update
1718-1776	Privacy of natural persons	11 Jun 2018	2 Jul 2018	9 Jul 2018	All information received, held or sent relating to the provincial growth fund investment into the wharf upgrades at the Bay of Islands referred to in this media release: https://www.beehive.govt.nz/release/wharf-upgrades-paihia-russell-and-opua
1718-1777	Privacy of natural persons	11 Jun 2018	2 Jul 2018	9 Jul 2018	All information received, held or sent relating to the provincial growth fund investment into a joint venture announced in this press release: https://www.beehive.govt.nz/release/first-jv-one-billion-trees-programme
1718-1810	Privacy of natural persons	15 Jun 2018	6 Jul 2018	13 Jul 2018	Official information request regarding the Provincial Growth Fund loan of \$10 million to Ruapehu Alpine Lifts
1718-1812	Privacy of natural persons	16 Jun 2018		13 Jul 2018	A copy of the Opōtiki Harbour Development Business Case document lodged with MBIE, prepared by HABILIS Consultants, on 5th December 2017
1718-1827	Privacy of natural persons	18 Jun 2018	9 Jul 2018	16 Jul 2018	A copy of all advice you have sent or received regarding the Howard League Driver License Initiative announced as a recipient of funding under the Provincial Growth Fund on 1 June 2018

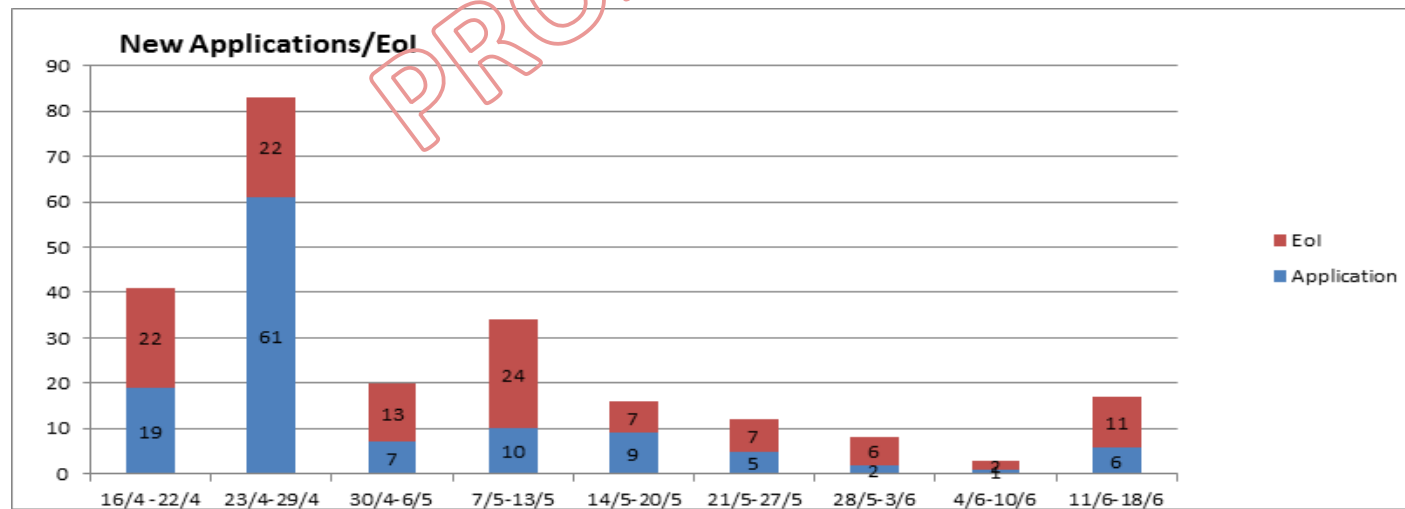
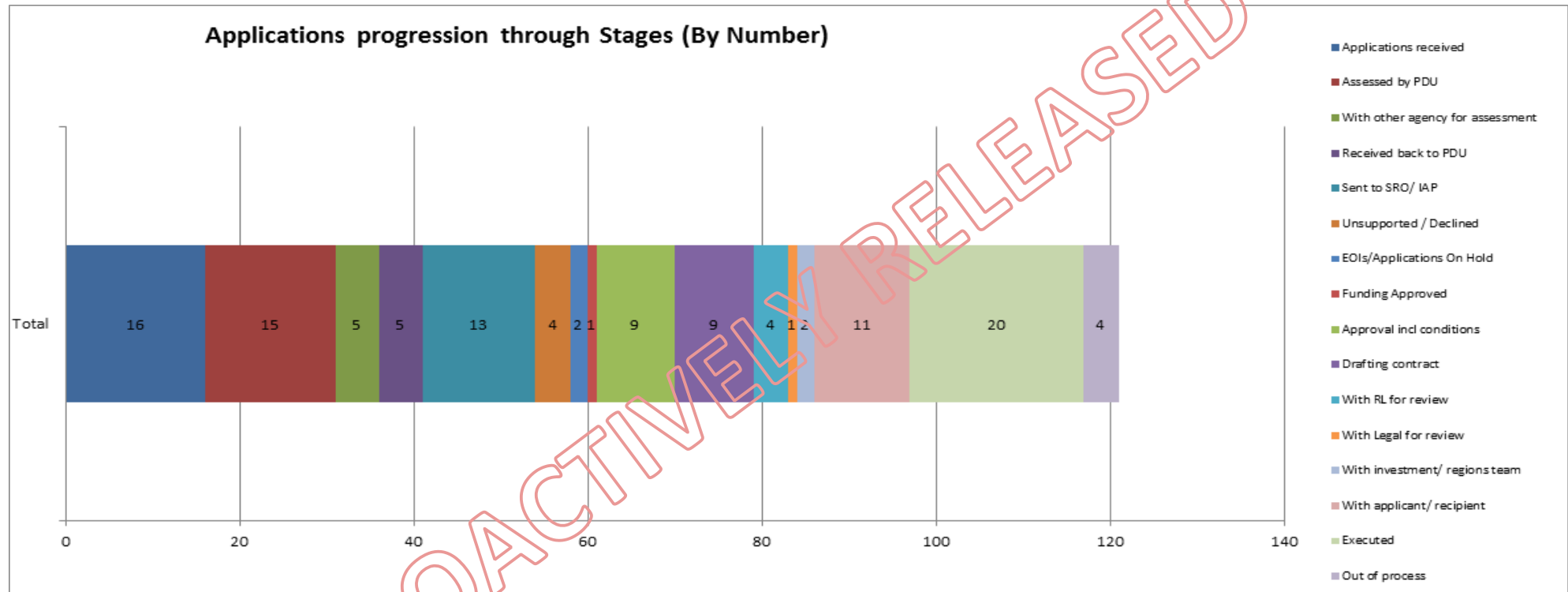


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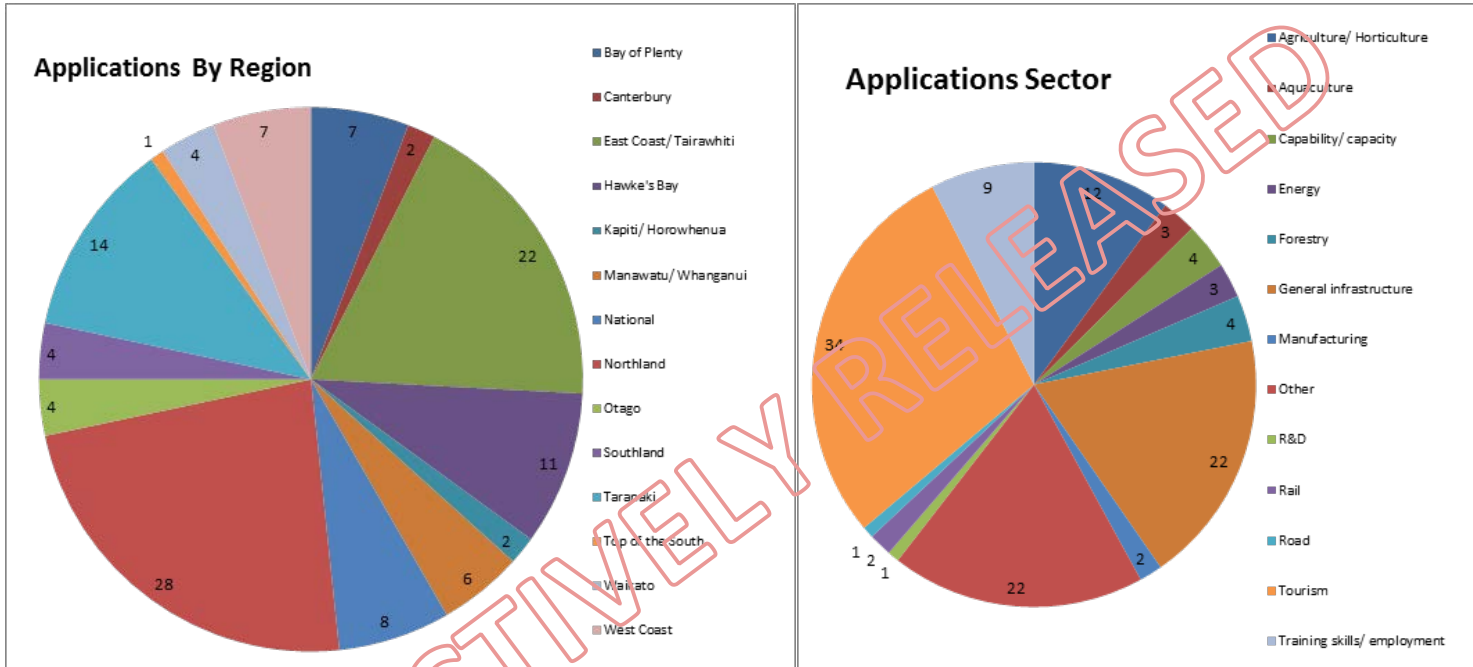
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SJ1019	Privacy of natural persons	11 Jun 2018	2 Jul 2018	The Human Face of the Opōtiki Harbour Transformation Project
SJ1091		18 Jun 2018	2 Jul 2018	Oppose proposed Hicks Bay Port development due to impact on surrounding areas.
SJ960		11 Jun 2018	2 Jul 2018	Regional Funding and the PGF
SJ1074		12 Jun 2018	4 Jul 2018	Taranaki visit, a Just Community Transition Plan and matching investments.
SJ946		12 Jun 2018	4 Jul 2018	Worries over RED Fund on Russell Wharf affecting historic heritage.
SJ993		12 Jun 2018	4 Jul 2018	Gisborne Port should be moved to Young Nick's Head instead of where it is.
SJ1041		13 Jun 2018	11 Jul 2018	PopUp Business School Aotearoa should be supported to run across NZ.
SJ941		13 Jun 2018	11 Jul 2018	Public Trust head office moving will cause job losses
SJ969		13 Jun 2018	11 Jul 2018	Using regional development fund to build a plastic recycling plant in NZ.
SJ974		13 Jun 2018	11 Jul 2018	Air NZ cancelling flights in NZ and not offering alternative travel plans
SJ1064		18 Jun 2018	16 Jul 2018	Supporting NZ Local owned companies over international corporates
SJ1089		18 Jun 2018	16 Jul 2018	Opōtiki Harbour Development
SJ1090		18 Jun 2018	16 Jul 2018	Opōtiki Harbour Development

Expressions of Interest and Applications

1. Progression of Applications



2. Breakdown of funding and applications in regions and sectors



Total Funding sought by region Applications and Eol

