



# 3 Battersea Place Richmond Heights

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# Jan Gee Property. Opportunity. Legacy.







#### **Lake Taupo VIEWS**

Nestled within a tranquil neighborhood, this meticulously maintained home offers an ideal retreat for your family or ideal for generating BnB income.

When stepping through the front entrance, you will be greeted by a spacious living area, where the flow and openness of the floor plan create an inviting space for relaxation.

The main level of the home features three double bedrooms with a family bathroom. Ascend to the upper level where the master bedroom awaits, boasting its own en-suite and breathtaking views of the lake and mountains. Additionally, this level offers a second lounge with outstanding views and a generous balcony, perfect for basking in the sun and savoring the outstanding Taupo views.

Thoughtful storage solutions are integrated throughout the home, including a separate laundry, enhancing organization in our busy lives.

The large double garage provides ample room for a workshop area, complemented by parking space for three vehicles or boat/caravan

parking off the street. A generous outdoor shed sits in the rear yard, the gardens are low-maintenance, and the rear yard is fully fenced.

Set Date Sale to be closed by 4pm, Thursday 16th May 2024 (unless sold prior).









**Price:** For sale Deadline Treaty

Land Area625m²Floor Area220m²Rates\$4,160Rateable value\$940,000

#### **View Online:**

www.trinityrealestate.co.nz/property/lake-taupo-and-mountain-views







# Be quick!

Cul-de-sac position, Immaculate property, Outstanding views



Jan Gee has comprehensive real estate knowledge to offer her Taupō clients, she is a top performing real estate salesperson plus has office management experience.

Integrity along with determination are characteristic in Jan's personal and business life. Applying these principles has allowed Jan to be recognised as a Taupō champion, she thrives on crafting deals between clients and customers.

Jan is a long-term thinker and considers the legacy her clients are building. She also considers her real estate service impacts more than just her clients, also the Taupō community the paradise she has chosen to invest in.

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## YOPEN YOUR piece of land or real estate, your asset, often your family home.

Jan Gee, with her twelve years of experience in the Taupō property market, would delightfully represent your property.

## Circumstances to reach a property goal.

Jan Gee will seize your opportunity, her skills will propose a business deal for your consideration.

### generation to the next.

Jan Gee will gladly work with you to accomplish your property goals, creating pathways that may contribute to your future generations.

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## **Vendor Transparency Document**

Address:	3	Battersea	Place,	Richmond	tleight,	TAUPO

IMPORTANT NOTE: This form is completed by or on behalf of the vendor to set out information about the property known by the vendor, or to the best of the vendors knowledge. It is provided to Purchasers as initial background information only. The statements are not to be relied on by the purchaser or any third party. Nothing in this form constitutes a warranty, guarantee, or obligation of the vendor and none of the information or statements shall be deemed part of any subsequent Sale and Purchase Agreement for the property.

The Vendor agrees that if after signing this form, they become aware of any additional information as described in this form or that may be of any interest to the purchaser, they will notify the Agent immediately to arrange an update to the form which will be provided to the Purchaser. The Vendor also agrees that anything additional discovered by the Agent may be noted on the 'Title & Further Information Form' at any time to be disclosed to any potential purchasers.

s the Vendor aware of any weather tightness, structural or geotechnical issues (including any past damage)?	Yes	D/
s the Vendor aware of any other damage or defect to the property including cladding, internal walls, roof, auttering, piling or any other hidden or underlying defects etc?	Yes	01
s the Vendor aware of any hazards including weatherside cladding, asbestos, dux quest plumbing, scrim or any other similar item that in the vendors discretion, considers may be relevant to a purchaser?	□ <sub>Yes</sub>	Ø,
s the Vendor aware of any chattel, fixture or fitting that does not work or is damaged?	Yes	
s the Vendor aware of any issues regarding the neighbourhood including road changes, planned levelopments, phone towers or received any notice or demand from any local or government authority or other statutory body, from any tenant of the property or any other party? Has the vendor given any consent or neighbouring builds, developments or renovations or any other matter?	Yes	
s the Vendor aware of any criminal activity, drug use or creation, deaths (other than as a result of natural cause) or other activity or event that in the vendors discretion & opinion, considers may be relevant to a burchaser?	Yes	
s the Vendor aware of any outstanding payments on the property including any building work, insulation, that have been agreed to be added to the rates?	Yes	10
s the Vendor aware of any work done at the property by any person at any time that was not correctly permitted, consented, signed off or completed in accordance with the applicable laws or Council requirements?	Yes	1
s the Vendor aware of any matters concerning the boundaries, fencing or title that at the vendors discretion, may cause a prospective purchaser concern? (Eg fencing issues, unclear boundaries or disputes, title complications or requisitions etc)	Yes	

## **Vendor Transparency Document**

Additional Information Provided by the Ven	dor:		1		
Has the Vendor completed a Healthy Homes Does the property have a Healthy Homes Cer		Yes Yes	No No	<b>W</b> NA	
Are there any retaining walls on the property Has a Code of Compliance Certificate been is:		Yes Yes	No No	□NA	
Is this a legal Home and Income? Has a Code of Compliance Certificate been is:	sued?	Yes Yes	No No	<b>☑</b> NA	
Is there a wood burner or other fire appliance Has a Code of Compliance Certificate been is:		Yes Yes	No No	MA	
Is the property insulated? No Und	er Floor Walls	Roof			
For all of the above where applicable has the 1) Provided by vendor Yes  2) Sited by the agent Yes	relevant documentation beer No NA No NA	1:			-
Describe any renovation work done (even if n	o consents or certificates wer	e required	))?		
Is any other information provided by the Vend	or?	•			
Integrity checked, w	ion completed,	roof	rea	bated.	
Vendor: Sign:	Print Name: Chris	Nee	ve	Date:	15/4/24
Vendor: Sign:	Print Name: Stepher	> Ku	nter	Date:	194/24
Vendor: Sign:	Print Name:			Date:	-

For subsequent information established by the Agent see the LIM, Title & District Plan Explanation Form

IMPORTANT NOTE FOR PURCHASERS: Any Consents and Compliance Certificates or Reports that have been made available to the Agent will be included in the information pack. It is strongly recommended the Purchaser and/or their lawyer review these documents (which may or may not have been made available to the Agent). The vendor may not have disclosed all information about the property or may have no knowledge of issues that are important or relevant to the purchaser. The purchaser must not rely on this information as complete or accurate and must make their own enquiries and seek professional advice in all respects to fully satisfy themselves as to the condition/suitability of the property and any other matters relevant to the purchaser prior to entering into any contract for sale and purchase.

This form is not part of any Sale and Purchase Agreement for the property.



# RECORD OF TITLE UNDER LAND TRANSFER ACT 2017 FREEHOLD



#### Guaranteed Search Copy issued under Section 60 of the Land Transfer Act 2017

R.W. Muir Registrar-General of Land

Identifier SA52A/860

Land Registration District South Auckland

**Date Issued** 21 April 1993

**Prior References** GN H482064

**Estate** Fee Simple

**Area** 625 square metres more or less

Legal Description Lot 274 Deposited Plan South Auckland

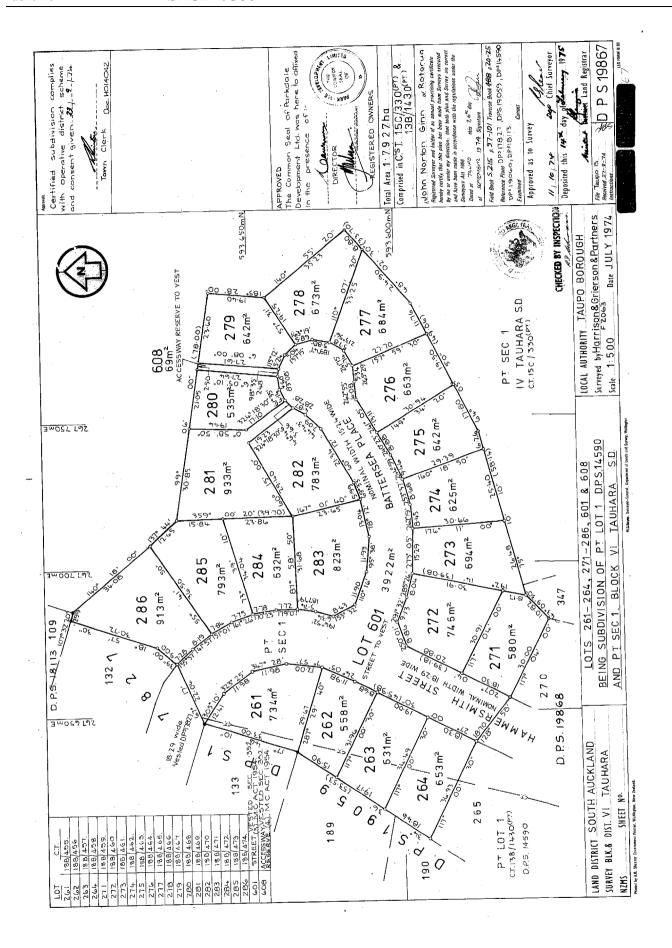
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**Registered Owners** 

Christopher Michael Neeve and Stephen Andrew Punter

#### Interests

Land Covenant in Transfer H119905.1 Subject to Section 11 Crown Minerals Act 1991 Subject to Part IV A Conservation Act 1987



(Approved by the District Land Registrar, Hawke's Bay.

No. H.B. 165231).

(New Zealand).

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#### MEMORANDUM OF TRANSFER

PARKDALE DEVELOPMENT LIMITED, a duly Incorporated Company, having its registered office at Putaruru

being registered as proprietor(s) of an estate in fee simple

(subject however to such encumbrances liens and interests as are notified by memoranda underwritten or endorsed that piece(s) of land situate in the Provincial District of containing by admeasurement hereon) in all
Auckland

SIX HUNDRED AND TWENTY FIVE SQUARE METRES (625m2)

(be the same a little more or less) Lot 274 Deposited Plan S.19867 and being all the land comprised and described in Certificate of Title Volume 18B Folio 462, South Auckland Registry.

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Paid to (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged) hereby transfer to the said do all estate and interest in the said piece(s) of land IN WITNESS WHEREOF these presents have been executed this day of one thousand nine hundred and SIGNED by the said in the presence of:-

IN CONSIDERATION of the sum of

Colin Graham Holdaway
Desmond Arthur Wishart
Michael Felix Kelly
Peter John Edwards
Doneld John Cotton
John Leonard Clark
John Wooltey
Thomas Christopher Howie Fleming
CONSULTANT PARTNER
Martyn Uren

4th Floor
CML Centre
CMC Queen & Wyndham Streets
Auckland
also at Manurewa
P.O. Box 4099
Auckland 1, N.Z.
Telephones 33 689 33 731

#### McVeagh Fleming Uren & Partners Barristers and Solicitors

In reply please quote:

Mr J. Woolley

27 September 1976

The District Land Registrar Private Bag HAMILTON

Dear Sir:

Transfer Parkdale Development Limited to Milward and Shakes Lot 274 DPS 19867.

We advise that the fencing covenant which is included in the above transfer is required because our client company, Parkdale Development Limited, still owns the adjoining Lot 273 DPS 19867 contained in CT 18B/461.

Yours faithfully, MCVEAGH FLEMING UREN & PARTNERS

AND WHEREAS the Transferor when registered as proprietor of all the land contained in a plan deposited in the Land Registry Office at Hamilton under Number S. 19867 subdivided that land into residental lots roads and access ways in the manner shown and defined on the plan for the purposes of the said land in residential lots as a building estate.

AND WHEREAS it is the Transferor's intention that all residential lots contained in the said plan shall be subject to a general scheme applicable to and for the benefit of all the said residential lots and that the owner or occupier for the time being of each of the said residential lots should be bound by the stipulations and restrictions set out in the Second Schedule hereto and that the respective owners and occupiers for the time being of any of the said residential lots may be able to enforce the observance of such stipulations and restrictions by the owners or occupiers for the time being of any of the other said residential lots in equity or otherwise howsoever

AND WHEREAS by agreement in writing dated the Ianuary 3rd day of the Transferor agreed to sell the land firstly described to SUSAN ISABELLA MILLWARD and IRENE THELMA SHAKES both of Lower Hutt, Typists (hereinafter called "the Transferee") for the consideration hereinafter appearing and the Transferee agreed to purchase the same and to enter into the covenants on the part of the Transferee hereinafter contained

NOW THEREFORE IN PURSUANCE of the said agreement and

IN CONSIDERATION of the sum of SEVEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$7,600.00)

) paid by the Transferee to the Transferor (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) (\$ the Transferor

the Transferor

DOTH HEREBY TRANSFER unto the Transferee all its estate and interest in the land firstly described AND IN FURTHER PURSUANCE of the said agreement the Transferee so as to bind the land firstly described and for the benefit of all the land described in the First Schedule hereto excepting only the said land firstly described DOTH HEREBY CONVENANT AND AGREE with the Transferor for the benefit of the land described in the First Schedule hereto excepting the land firstly described not heretofore transferred by the Transferor and also separately with each and every one of the registered proprietors and for the benefit of the land described in the First Schedule (excepting the land firstly described) and heretofore transferred to such proprietors by the Transferor with the intention that such proprietors shall take the benefit of the covenants herein under and by virtue of the provisions of Section 7 of The Property Law Act, 1952 that the Transferee will henceforth and at all times hereafter observe and perform all the stipulations and restrictions contained in the Second Schedule hereto TO THE END AND INTENT that each of the said stipulations and restrictions shall enure for the benefit of all the land described in the First Schedule hereto and every part thereof excepting the land firstly described PROVIDED ALWAYS that the Transferee shall as regards the said stipulations and restrictions be liable only in respect of breaches thereof which shall occur while he shall be the registered proprietor of the land firstly described or any part thereof in respect of which shall occur while he shall be the registered proprietor of the land firstly described or any part thereof in respect of which any such breach shall occur AND THE TRANSFEROR HEREBY COVENANTS with the Transferee that it will at all times do all things necessary to ensure compliance with the aforesaid intention that all the said residential lots contained in the said plan shall be subject to a general scheme applicable to and for the benefit of ing land

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Transferor and Transferee have executed these presents this September

THE FIRST SCHEDULE

Lots 261 - 264, 271 - 386 DP & 19367 Lots 265 - 270, 347 - 354 and 356 DP S 19869

#### THE SECOND SCHEDULE

Not to erect or allow to be erected on the said land any building other than one the plans and specifications of which have been previously approved by the Transferor which approval shall not be unreasonably or arbitrarily withheld.

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THE COMMON SEAL of PARKDALE DEVELOPMENT LIMITED was hereto affixed as Transferor in the presence

SIGNED by the said SUSAN ISABELLA MILLWARD

TRENE THELMA SHAKES

as Transferee in the presence of

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#### TRANSFER

Situated in

Solicitor for Transfered (8)

Transferor

"I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS TRANSACTION DOES NOT CONTRAVENE THE PROVISIONS OF PART ITA OF THE LAND SETTLEMENT PROMOTION AND LAND ACQUISITION ACT, 1952."

Particulars entered in the Register Book

Transferee

SOLICITOR FOR THE TRANSFEREE

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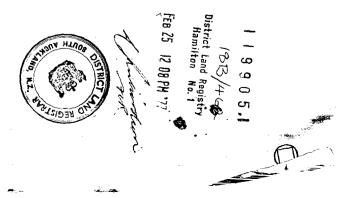
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Assistant District Land Registrar of the District of

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R. H. LePINE & CO., Solicitors, Taupo



#### **KOWHAI WARRANTY**

#### Warranty for works done at 3 Battersea Place, Richmond Heights

Kowhai Wairarapa (Roof Protect Limited) have repaired and recoated a **decramastic tile roof** at the above stated address and completed in March 2023.

**Workmanship** is guaranteed for a five year period by Roof Protect Limited.

This covers the application of the above products in accordance with the prescribed method of application from Kowhai Roof Coatings Ltd and the repairs undertaken by Roof Protect Limited.

**All products** used, are warranted for a period of 12 years on a pro rata basis, based on the number of remaining months of unexpired warranty at the time of claim.

Signed:

Roof Protect Limited in conjunction with Kowhai Roof Coatings Ltd.

Prepared for Kowhai Wairarapa by Kowhai Roof Coatings Ltd.





#### **Title & Further Information**

3 Battersea Place, Richmond Heights, TAUPO

This information sheet may accompany the legal documents, reports and records such as the property's title, LIM (if supplied by Vendor), and District Plan provided to prospective purchasers by the Agent.

DISCLAIMER: All documents are supplied by for general information purposes only.

The information below are some common 'interests' that may be listed on a property title with simple explanations about the restrictions or rights that could affect the property. Some interests, district plan information, LIM information or other information that has come to the Agents attention may be further detailed on the documents supplied. Some documents may not have been made available to the agent such as the LIM report which means the agent may not have been able to verify some information about the property.

These explanations are not intended to be legal advice or to be relied on by a prospective purchaser. Reading and interpreting the documents is a specialist area. It is the purchaser's sole responsibility to ensure they fully understand the title and related documents from their own investigations and independent professional advice, and the purchaser must not rely solely on the information provided by the Agent or Vendor prior to entering into an agreement to purchase the property. It is strongly recommended that the purchaser seeks advice and explanation about the Title, LIM, District Plan and other relevant documents from their own lawyer or registered conveyancer.

This document does not form part of the S&P Agreement.

Tick if appropriate to title:
☐ Easements
An easement is the granting or benefit of rights in land that do not include possession. Usually easements allow one party to cross another party land for a particular purpose, such as rights of way, rights to convey water, gas, electricity or telecommunications, or rights to drain stormwater of sewage. The location of such easements will usually be shown on the plan of the property attached to the certificate of title. "Subject to" means the property gives the benefit to another property. "Appurtenant hereto" means the property has the benefit of the easement. Easements are not always for the benefit of neighbouring land. An easement in gross has no beneficiary. It is usually in the form of a grant to a territorial authority, or a utility company such as Spark or Vector. The territorial authority or utility company will have the right to access the land for maintenance work.
It must be noted that some easements, such as old drainage easements, may not be recorded on the certificate of title, but will usually appear on district plan maps. There are also a number of "universal" easements, such as those protecting against the undermining of a neighbour's property through excavation. These are common law easements, and not normally registered on the title. May affect use of the property so it is highly recommended to investigate further and seek legal advice.
☐ The easements created by Easement Instrument are subject to Section 243 (a) Resource Management Act 1991
The reference s243(a) of the Resource Management Act 1991 simply means that the easement created under easement instrumentcannot be surrendered by the owner of the title without prior consent of the council.
Resource Management Act 241(2)
Refers to details in the RMA section 241(2) likely in relation to the subdivision of the property.
Consent Notice pursuant to Section 221 Resource Management Act 1991  A consent notice registered against the Title gives notice of the conditions of the subdivision consent under which the land was subdivided which bind the owners going forward. This may affect your use of the property so it is highly recommended to seek further legal advice and view any relevant documentation.
Lease of Flat 1 & 2
Relate to the cross lease of the property. This may affect your use of the property so it is highly recommended to view memorandum of lease for further details and to seek further legal advice.
Fencing Covenant
Fencing covenants are used by subdividers and developers to enable them to avoid their contribution to a fence between their property and adjoining land, as provided for in the Fencing Act 1978 Fencing covenants are recorded on the certificate of title, but expire at the time of sale of the adjoining land by the first purchaser, or at the end of 12 years. However, the covenant is not automatically removed from the certificate of title

#### Fencing Agreement

Fencing Covenant with a Fencing Agreement (below).

Is an agreement between adjoining neighbours to do or not do something that would otherwise be permitted. (It contains rules about fencing etc that must be adhered to by various parties.). May affect use of the property so it is highly recommended to view the relevant document and seek further legal advice if there is a Fencing Agreement registered on the title.

Please note that fencing covenants registered on titles that adjoin Crown lands – for example, reserves – may run with the land. Do not confuse a

## **Title & Further Information**

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the strip of land waterway does	o is Crown land adjacent to foreshore I no less than 20 metres wide is deen	e, lake, rivers or streams greater than 3 metres v ned reserved. This means that the owner of the property. This may affect your use of the proper	ex-Crown property located adjacent to the
	t the property has never been proper nd in the interests but at the top of th	rly surveyed and as such the dimensions of the s e title document. If this is on the title it is highly	
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# Buying or selling your property?









#### This guide tells you...

what a sale and purchase agreement is

what's in a sale and purchase agreement

what happens after you sign the sale and purchase agreement

what happens if you have a problem

where to go for more information

#### Where to go for more information

This guide is available in other languages. You can find translated copies of this guide on rea.govt.nz and settled.govt.nz.

The New Zealand Residential Property Agency Agreement Guide is also available on settled.govt.nz. The guide tells you more about the agreement you sign with the agency helping to sell your property. We welcome any feedback you have on this publication.

The information in this guide was accurate when published. However, the requirements this information is based on can change at any time. Up-to-date information is available at rea.govt.nz.

# Key things to know about sale and purchase agreements

- A sale and purchase agreement is a legally binding contract between you and the other party involved in buying or selling a property.
- You must sign a written sale and purchase agreement to buy or sell a property.
- You need to read and understand the sale and purchase agreement before you sign it.
- Even if a standard sale and purchase agreement is being used, you should always get legal advice before you sign the agreement and throughout the buying and selling process.
- You can negotiate some of the terms and conditions in a sale and purchase agreement.
- You can include additional clauses, such as what to do if there are special circumstances.
   Your lawyer plays an important role in providing advice on what the sale and purchase agreement should say.

- A sale and purchase agreement becomes unconditional once all the conditions are met.
- In most cases, the real estate professional is working for the seller of the property, but they must treat the buyer fairly.
- If your real estate professional or anyone related to them wants to buy your property, they must get your written consent to do this. They must also give you a valuation of your property by an independent registered valuer.
- The sale and purchase agreement is only available in English. You may need assistance interpreting it if English is not your primary language.

#### What a sale and purchase agreement is

A sale and purchase agreement is a legally binding contract between you and the other party involved in buying or selling a property. It sets out all the details, terms and conditions of the sale. This includes things such as the price, any chattels being sold with the property, whether the buyer

needs to sell another property first or needs a property inspection and the settlement date.

A sale and purchase agreement provides certainty to both the buyer and the seller about what will happen when.



#### What's in a sale and purchase agreement

Your sale and purchase agreement should include the following things.

#### Basic details of the sale

Different sale methods like tender or auction might mean the sale and purchase agreement can look different, but all sale and purchase agreements should contain:

- the names of the people buying and selling the property
- the address of the property
- the type of title, for example, freehold or leasehold
- the price
- any deposit the buyer must pay
- any chattels being sold with the property, for example, whiteware or curtains
- any specific conditions you or the other party want fulfilled
- how many working days you have to fulfil your conditions (if there are any conditions)
- the settlement date (the date the buyer pays the rest of the amount for the property, which is usually also the day they can move in)
- the rate of interest the buyer must pay on any overdue payments (such as being late on paying the deposit or the remaining amount at the settlement date).

## General obligations and conditions you have to comply with

The sale and purchase agreement includes general obligations and conditions that you will need to comply with. For example, these may include:

- access rights what access the buyer can have to inspect the property before settlement day
- insurance to make sure the property remains insured until the settlement date and outline what will happen if any damage occurs before settlement day
- default by the buyer the buyer may have to compensate the seller if they don't settle on time, for example, with interest payments
- default by the seller the seller may have to compensate the buyer if they don't settle on time, for example, by paying accommodation costs
- eligibility to buy property in New Zealand –
  people who have migrated to New Zealand may
  not be permitted to immediately buy property
  or may need to get consent from the Overseas
  Investment Office.

Your lawyer will explain these clauses to you.

#### Check...

Always check your sale and purchase agreement with a lawyer before signing.

Buying or selling a property where the owner isn't able to participate, like a mortgagee sale or deceased estate, can mean the real estate professional has limited information about the property. It pays to allow for this when deciding what conditions the buyer and seller might need.

#### Remember...

Before you sign a sale and purchase agreement, whether you're the buyer or the seller, the real estate professional must give you a copy of this guide. They must also ask you to confirm in writing that you've received it.

#### Specific conditions a buyer may include

Some buyers will present an unconditional offer, which means there are no specific conditions to be fulfilled. Some buyers will include one or more conditions (that must be fulfilled by a specified date) in their offer such as:

- title search this is done by the buyer's lawyer to check who the legal owner of the property is and to see if there are any other interests over the property such as caveats or easements
- finance this refers to the buyer arranging payment, often requiring bank approval for a mortgage or loan
- valuation report a bank may require the buyer to obtain a valuation of the property (an estimate of the property's worth on the current market) before they agree to a loan
- Land Information Memorandum (LIM) provided by the local council, this report provides information about the property such as rates, building permits and consents, drainage, planning and other important information
- property inspection a buyer paying for an inspection provides an independent overview of the condition of the property rather than relying on an inspection that has been arranged by the seller

- engineer's or surveyor's report similar to the above but more focused on the entire section and the structure of the property
- sale of another home the buyer may need to sell their own home in order to buy another.

The real estate professional helps the buyer and the seller to include the conditions they each want. Even though the real estate professional works for the seller, they also have to deal fairly and honestly with the buyer. While they're not expected to discover hidden defects, they can't withhold information and must tell the buyer about any known defects with the property. If a buyer needs time to check a property for defects, including a property inspection condition may be important.



# What happens after you sign the sale and purchase agreement

Signing the sale and purchase agreement is not the end of the sale or purchase process.

# Both parties work through the conditions until the agreement is unconditional

A conditional agreement means the sale and purchase agreement has one or more conditions that must be met by a specified date and before the sale goes through.

The buyer pays the deposit. Depending on what the sale and purchase agreement says, the buyer may pay the deposit when they sign the agreement or when the agreement becomes unconditional. If the deposit is made to the real estate agency, it must be held in their agency's trust account for 10 working days before it can be released to the seller.

## An agreement for sale and purchase commits you to buy or sell

Once you've signed the sale and purchase agreement and any conditions set out in it have been met, you must complete the sale or purchase of the property.

The length of time between the conditions being met and the settlement date varies. Settlement periods can be lengthy if the property hasn't been built yet or the sale and purchase agreement includes conditions for one party to buy or sell another property. The real estate professional has obligations to keep you informed of important updates that come up during this time.

#### Pre-settlement inspection

This is the chance for the buyer to check the property and chattels are in the same condition they were when the sale and purchase agreement was signed and to check that the seller has met any conditions, for example, there is no damage to walls or chattels haven't been removed from the property.

It's important to raise any concerns you find at the pre-settlement inspection with your lawyer and the real estate professional as soon as possible to allow enough time for an issue to be resolved. If it's less than 24 hours before settlement, the vendor may not be obligated to set things right.

#### Payment of a commission

Once the sale is complete, the seller pays the real estate professional for their services. The real estate agency usually takes the commission from the deposit they're holding in their trust account. The seller should make sure the deposit is enough to cover the commission. The real estate professional cannot ask the buyer to pay for their services if they have been engaged by the seller.

#### The buyer pays the rest

The buyer pays the remainder of the amount for the property on the day of settlement, usually through their lawyer.

#### Buying a tenanted property

If the property is tenanted, the agreement for sale and purchase should specify this. It may also contain a specific date for possession that may differ from the settlement date.

If the buyer requires the property to be sold with 'vacant possession', it is the seller's responsibility to give the tenant notice to vacate in accordance with the tenant's legal rights.

It is recommended that you seek legal advice if you are buying a property that is currently tenanted.

#### What happens if you have a problem

If something has gone wrong, first discuss your concern with the real estate professional or their manager. All agencies must have in-house procedures for resolving complaints.

If you can't resolve the issue with the real estate agency or you don't feel comfortable discussing it with them, you can contact the Real Estate Authority (REA). We can help in a number of ways if your complaint is about the real estate professional. For example, we can help you and the real estate professional or agency to resolve

the issue and remind them of their obligations under the Real Estate Agents Act 2008. When you contact us, we'll work with you to help you decide the best thing to do.

Call us on **0800 367 7322**, email us at info@rea.govt.nz or visit us online at rea.govt.nz

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#### Settled.govt.nz guides you through home buying and selling.

Buying or selling your home is one of the biggest financial decisions you will make. It's a complex and sometimes stressful process with potentially significant emotional and financial impacts if things go wrong.

Settled.govt.nz provides comprehensive independent information and guidance for home buyers and sellers. You can find information about the risks and how they can impact you and get useful tips on how to avoid some of the major potential problems.

Settled.govt.nz will help to inform and guide you through the process from when you're thinking of buying or selling right through to when you're moving in or out. You'll find valuable information, checklists, quizzes, videos and tools. From understanding LIMs, to sale and purchase agreements, to when to contact a lawyer, settled.govt.nz explains what you need to know.

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#### For more information

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# About the Real Estate Authority – Te Mana Papawhenua (REA)

REA is the independent government agency that regulates the New Zealand real estate profession.

Our purpose is to promote and protect the interests of consumers buying and selling real estate and to promote public confidence in the performance of real estate agency work.

#### What we do

Our job is to promote a high standard of conduct in the real estate profession and protect buyers and sellers of property from harm.

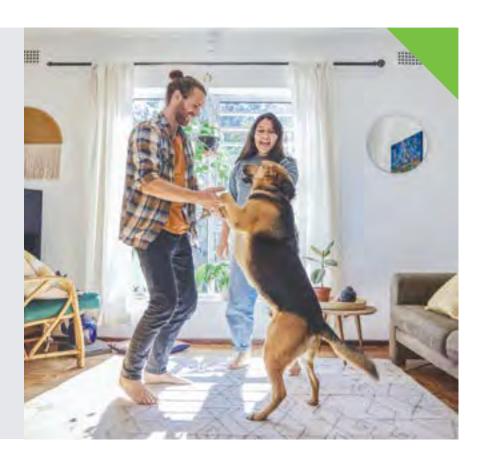
- We provide independent information for people who are buying and selling property through our **settled.govt.nz** website.
- We provide guidance for real estate professionals and oversee a complaints process.
- We license people and companies working in the real estate industry.
- We maintain a Code of Conduct setting out the professional standards real estate professionals must follow.
- We maintain a public register of real estate professionals that includes information about disciplinary action taken in the last 3 years.

The Real Estate Agents Authority is a Crown agent, established under the Real Estate Agents Act 2008. The Real Estate Authority is the operating name of the Real Estate Agents Authority.

## For more information

To find out more about REA, visit rea.govt.nz, call us on 0800 367 7322 or email us at info@rea.govt.nz





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