Extension to local solution framework for Auckland, North Shore and Waitakere District Courts

10 February

- The <u>local solution framework</u> currently in place in the Auckland, North Shore and Waitakere
 District Courts has been extended until Saturday 18 February (inclusive). It will be reviewed on
 Thursday 16 February.
- This is to enable events from the Auckland District Court to be scheduled in the other courts as needed, in accordance with the local solution framework.
- Auckland District Court reopened on Wednesday 8 February. Levels 2 and 4 remain off-limits and two courtrooms on level 3 also need repair work. AV and ICT are fully operational and only one public lift remains out of action as of today.
- At this stage, at least one jury trial will run in the Auckland District Court next week. The registry will notify counsel of all trials that were scheduled to be heard that are not proceeding.
- All other cases in all jurisdictions scheduled to be heard next week are subject to change. Any
 changes will be communicated to counsel appearing and to Police prosecutors by the registry staff
 with as much advance notice as possible. Counsel and Police prosecutors are expected to then
 notify clients, victims, complainants and witnesses of any changes to scheduled work.
- We are keeping a close eye on the weather and will provide updates on any actions that are required.

Chief District Court Judge Heemi Taumaunu