Housing Affordability and The Politics of Special Housing Areas in Auckland, New Zealand.

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In response to sustained housing affordability issues, successive New Zealand governments have sought to promote new housing supply. Within the emerging policy orthodoxy urban planning has been constructed as problematic and emphasis has been placed on finding market solutions to housing problems. In this paper I examine the origins and impacts of the introduction of Special Housing Areas that employ fast-track planning processes. In particular, I challenge the idea that increased housing supply will result in more affordable housing.

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