

2019/065: The refusal to grant a building consent for District Court buildings due to the disputed importance levels

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Determination 2019/065

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Council: Auckland Council

Section of the Building Act: 51

Summary

This determination considers the authority's purported refusal to grant a building consent for seismic strengthening work because the authority did not agree with the importance level classification proposed by the structural engineer. The determination discusses whether the subject building should be classified as Importance Level 2 or Importance Level 3 as set out in AS/NZS 1170.0. This standard is referenced by Verification Method B1/VM1, which is a means of compliance with Building Code Clause B1 Structure.

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