

**The way is clear for another exciting addition to CentrePort's waterfront development, Harbour Quays.**

Resource Consent has been granted for the construction of a new purpose-built building for Bank of New Zealand to be located at the city end of Harbour Quays, just opposite the Railway Station.

"We always believed the project to be fully compliant," said Nigel Gould, Chairman of CentrePort, the Harbour Quays developers.



An artist's impression portraying the harbour-side view of the new BNZ building.

# NO HOLD-UP FOR BANK OF NEW ZEALAND

"We are delighted with the prospect of having BNZ in our development to complement our other tenants which include the New Zealand Rugby Union, Statistics New Zealand and TelstraClear."

The six storey building is expected to house 1,000 bank staff currently located in a number of Wellington buildings. It will be accessed via a new intersection on Waterloo Quay.

"This new building will represent everything that's good about Harbour Quays," added Mr Gould. "It will be modern and state-of-the-art, feature a large floor plate and blend in well with

the surrounding environment. The office accommodation will be complemented with ground floor retail. The type of space we will create for BNZ is not currently available anywhere else in the city."

Mr Gould explained that large floor plates in a low rise configuration were sought after because they enabled companies to bring staff together in an integrated, common location.

Bank of New Zealand Chief Executive Peter Thodey, in commenting on the Resource Consent decision, said the Bank was very pleased to be involved in the development.

"It will bring a large percentage of our people together on one site, in a world-class building. We wanted to get away from the traditional monolithic bankers-box style of building. We believe a building like this helps us attract and retain the best people by providing premium working conditions."

"The building is being designed to achieve the best Greenstar possible. The emphasis on environmental considerations is important for us and our staff," says Mr Thodey.