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Dear Robbie

Consultation on the Implementation of the Land Transfer Act 2017 (LT Act).

Thank you for your letter of 20 December 2017 advising of the anticipated release in March 2018 of an exposure draft of regulations supporting the LT Act, together with draft standards, directives and guidelines for consultation.

The LT Act is probably the key legislative document affecting cadastral surveys, and of considerable interest to Cadastral Surveyors. ICS would welcome the opportunity to make comment and submissions on the new material.

The issues affecting Cadastral Surveyors as a result of the LT Act may be quite different to those affecting Conveyancing Lawyers. As such, it would be beneficial for seminars to be in regional centres (whether coordinated through the Law Society, LINZ or another provider) to include a session specifically on survey issues.

Such a session (some of these items are included on your list) appealing to surveyors could include:

- An overview of key changes affecting surveys under the LT Act compared to the LT Act 1952.
- Limited Title and Adverse Possession Processes, and certification requirements for these.
- Applications for accretion and dry river and stream bed, and processes around claims.
- Removal of redundant easements.
- Deposit of subdivisional plans.
- Dealing with conflicts in the cadastre – processes to deal with overlaps, errors or gaps in the cadastre, and in the case of Christchurch (although for national consumption) "interim" surveys vs modern work.

We look forward to having positive input into the implementation of the LT Act from a Cadastral Surveyor's perspective.

Yours faithfully

Pat Sole
President