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Landcheck site notches up ten million hits

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The website set up for people to check the status of their property following the Canterbury earthquakes has now recorded more than ten million hits.

<u>www.landcheck.org.nz</u> was launched on 23 June when the first decisions on land were announced. The site allows people to enter their address and find out what zone their property has been mapped into.

Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority Chief Executive, Roger Sutton, says the site has been enormously successful in quickly helping people get the information they needed.

"It was a huge challenge when we asked Trade Me to set this up in just four days and design it so it would be able to cater for the extremely heavy demand expected."

"As was always planned, CERA is now taking back the website from Trade Me. It will continue to be updated as new land information comes through and people using it won't notice any change."

"I want to thank the Trade Me people for responding so quickly when we called them about setting up the site. They have put in enormous work and effort, all at no cost."

"It's been an incredibly useful and successful way of communicating and we simply wouldn't have been able to get it up and running without the enthusiasm, expertise and support of the staff at Trade Me. They really got behind the people of Canterbury at a time of great difficulty and need."