

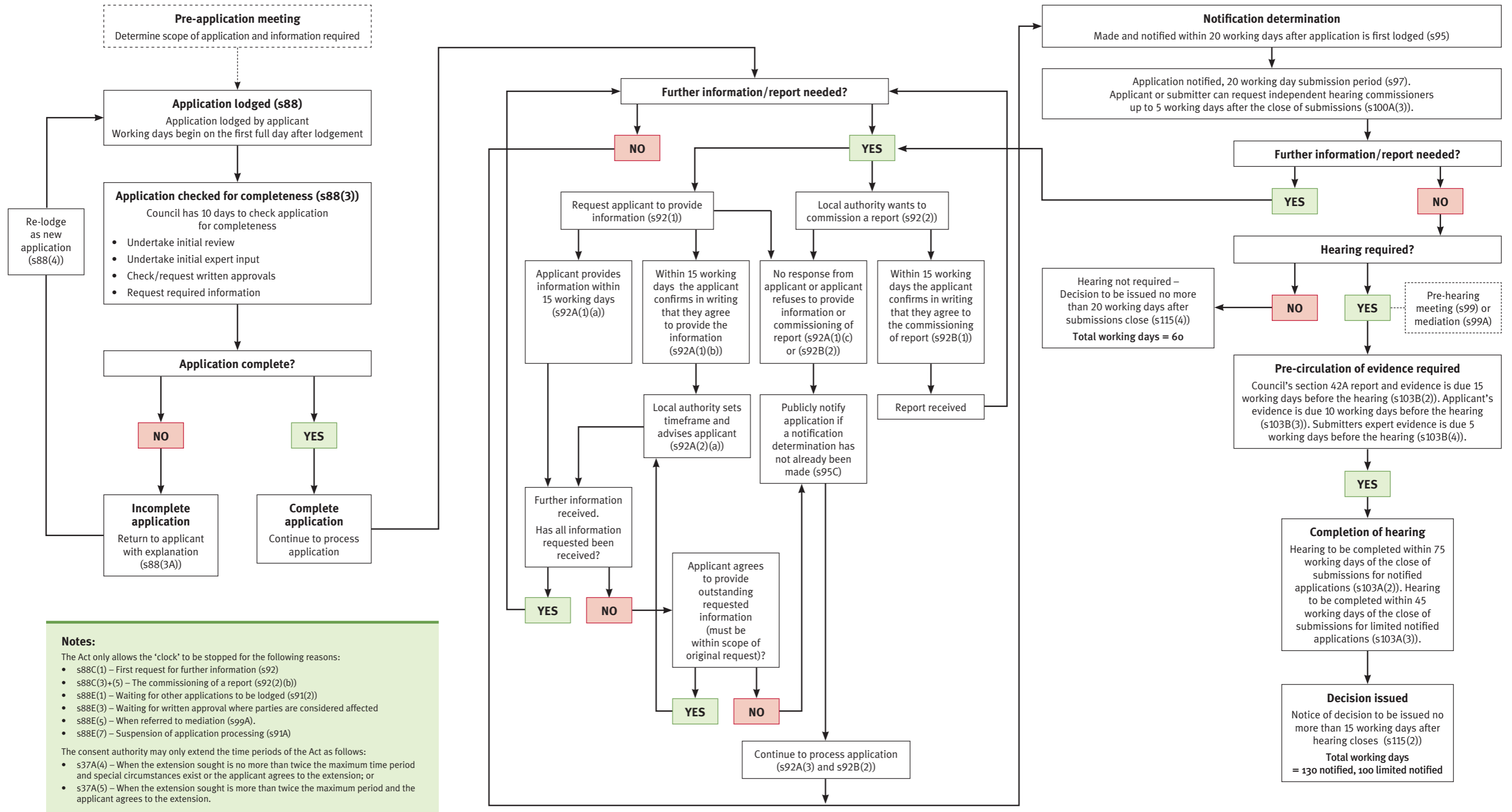
## 1. APPLICATION LODGEMENT AND COMPLETENESS ASSESSMENT

Section 88 allows the local authority to check the application for completeness, before accepting it for processing.

## 2. FURTHER INFORMATION

## 3. NOTIFIED/LIMITED NOTIFIED APPLICATIONS

Notified and limited notified resource consents can involve two decision paths – those that do not require a hearing and those that do require a hearing. The processing time for such applications varies between 60 and 130 working days.



**Notes:**

The Act only allows the 'clock' to be stopped for the following reasons:

- s88C(1) – First request for further information (s92)
- s88C(3)+(5) – The commissioning of a report (s92(2)(b))
- s88E(1) – Waiting for other applications to be lodged (s91(2))
- s88E(3) – Waiting for written approval where parties are considered affected
- s88E(5) – When referred to mediation (s99A).
- s88E(7) – Suspension of application processing (s91A)

The consent authority may only extend the time periods of the Act as follows:

- s37A(4) – When the extension sought is no more than twice the maximum time period and special circumstances exist or the applicant agrees to the extension; or
- s37A(5) – When the extension sought is more than twice the maximum period and the applicant agrees to the extension.