

Public Notice of Proposed Plan Changes to the Whanganui District Plan

District Plan Review – Plan Changes 49, 51 and 52

Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act)

Whanganui District Council hereby gives public notice pursuant to Clause 5 First Schedule of the Act of proposed Plan Changes to the Operative Whanganui District Plan.

Summary of proposed changes:

PC49 (Appendix G Building Design Review) Seeks to achieve high quality building design outcomes in the town centre and good quality building design in the Outer Commercial zone area. The existing town centre design guide has been significantly revised and new guidelines prepared for the Outer Commercial zone. Policies and regulation changes are proposed to require stricter compliance with such guidelines and provide direction to those planning, designing and reviewing development proposals in our wider town centre area.

PC51 (Miscellaneous) A review of existing Chapters 1, 2, 22, 23 and 24 of the Plan will result in a more targeted use of Assessment Criteria within Zone and topic chapters, deletion of the Methods Chapter and an update of key definitions.

PC52 (General Provisions and NZS4404: 2010) Seeks to update Appendix I to the District Plan being the Council's supplementary Engineering Document to NZS4404: Subdivision and Land Development. A revised version of the Engineering Document 2016 reflects the requirements of NZS4404:2010. Provisions in Appendix I, Chapters 13 and 23 which duplicate the 2010 NZ Standard are to be deleted or amendments made to provisions to better reflect the development outcomes sought by the community. Other minor consequential amendments are made to Chapter 12.

Please contact Leayne Huirua by phone on 06 349 0001, if you have any queries about the proposed changes. The proposed changes may be inspected during normal office hours at:

- Customer Services Desk at Whanganui District Council, 101 Guyton Street; or
- Public Libraries at Queens Park and Gonville; or
- Anytime on the Council's District Plan Website: <http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/Shaping/>

Any person may make a submission by sending a written or electronic submission to Whanganui District Council, PO Box 637, 101 Guyton Street, Whanganui Fax 06 349 0000 or email Leayne.Huirua@whanganui.govt.nz. The submission must be in Form 5 and state whether or not you wish to be heard on your submission. Copies of the form are available from the Council offices and website (see above). Electronic submissions do not require a signature.

Submissions close at **5.00pm on Tuesday 23 August 2016**.

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CEO - Whanganui District Council

23 July 2016

Public Participation Process

The process for public participation in the consideration of the proposal under the Act is as follows:

- After the closing date for submissions Council must prepare a summary of decisions requested by submitters and give public notice of where the summary and submissions can be inspected; and
- Any person may make a further submission in support of, or opposition to, the submissions already made.
- If any person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held; and
- Council must give its decision on the provisions and matters raised in the submissions (including its reasons for accepting or rejecting submissions) and give public notice of its decisions within 2 years of notifying the proposal and service it on every person who made a submission at the same time; and
- Any person who has made a submission has the right to appeal against the decision on the proposal to the Environment Court if, the persons submission referred to the matter for which an appeal is to be lodged; and the appeal does not seek the withdrawal of the proposal as a whole.