

Submission: Public Places Bylaw 2023



WHANGANUI
DISTRICT COUNCIL
Te Kaunihera a Rohe o Whanganui

Submissions close: Sunday, 2 July 2023

How to submit

You can complete this submission online at www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say

Alternatively, please return this form to:
The Policy Team
Whanganui District Council
101 Guyton Street
Whanganui 4500

Or email your feedback to:
policysubmissions@whanganui.govt.nz

Privacy statement

Your submission and your name will be made publically available. Your contact details may be used to contact you, and to administer the consultation process. Your contact details will not be made publically available. Demographic information may be reported in combination with other submitters without identifying you individually. All information will be held by the Whanganui District Council, 101 Guyton Street, and submitters have the right to access and correct their personal information.

Your details (please print your details clearly)

*Name:

*Email:

*required (email and/or address)

*Postal address:

Best daytime
contact number:

Organisation

If you are completing this submission on behalf of an organisation please name the organisation

Presentation of submissions

Would you like to speak in support of your submission at a hearing?

Yes

(please ensure you have completed the details above, including your contact number)

No

Note:

If you have indicated that you wish to speak on your submission we will contact you to arrange a time for you to speak, likely in July.

If you would be interested in being involved in further consultation opportunities with the council please tick the box below and ensure your contact details have been completed.

Yes, I would like to be involved in future consultation

Consultation questions

Bylaw Review

Firstly, we need to know whether you support keeping a bylaw in place to manage public places?

Do you agree that a public places bylaw is still required to manage public places?

What is your preferred option? Please tick one option only.

Option 1:

I support keeping a bylaw controlling public places

Option 2:

I don't think we need a bylaw controlling public places

Option 3:

I neither support nor oppose having a bylaw

Please tell us your reason(s) for your response.

Secondly, do you support the proposed changes we've made to the bylaw?

Do you support the proposed changes made to the bylaw, including updating definitions and changes to improve its clarity and understanding?

What is your preferred option? Please tick one option only.

Option 1:

I support the changes proposed to the Bylaw

Option 2:

I do not support the changes proposed (please state why)

Option 3:

I neither support nor oppose the proposed bylaw (please state why)

Please tell us your reason(s) for your response.

What do you think are the main issues which the bylaw should regulate? i.e. damage to parks, nuisance and protecting wildlife.

Consultation questions

Booking Fees

The council is reviewing the structure of fees for booking our parks to simplify the process.

Now we need to know:

- What sort of fee structure should we use?
- What factors should impact on the booking fee?
- What other optional tools should we have for managing booking fees?

Please note for fixed base and sliding fees, the actual total fee charged will depend on details of the booking. The difference between these two options is what the starting point is:

- No fee - means all bookings are free
- Fixed fee base - means all bookings will start at the same point (e.g. everybody starts at \$70 and the fee would go up if it's a long event, or likely to cause damage to our parks, or some other factor)
- Sliding fee - means each booking starts at a different point (e.g. a community group starts as a free booking, a person booking for a wedding starts at \$75, a commercial event starts at \$100. The fee would then move upwards if there is a commercial trader present, or if it's a long event, or likely to cause damage to our parks, or some other factors).

The council wants to support events to take place in our parks and public spaces through bookings. What sort of fee do you think should be charged for bookings?

What is your preferred option? Please tick one option only.

Option 1:

I support no fee for all users

Option 2:

I support a fixed fee starting point for all users

Option 3:

I support a sliding fee starting at free for community groups

Please tell us your reason(s) for your response.

Consultation questions

Booking Fees

If a fixed base fee or a sliding fee is chosen, the council will need to decide what factors should be considered.

Please rate the below options as to how important you think they should be in setting a booking fee.

Please indicate how important these factors are in setting fees (please tick)	Vital	Important	Neither important nor unimportant	Not important	Irrelevant
Who is making the booking (private business, community group, notfor-profit, etc.)					
Which place is being booked (Majestic Square, Virginia Lake, etc.)					
Whether alcohol is being provided or sold					
Expected nuisance to other users (noise, smell, etc.)					
Any anticipated damage to the space or maintenance required (grass, footpaths, facilities, etc.)					
Do you think we have left any important factors out?					

Booking fees

Other factors

The council will also retain several other ways of managing fees, such as the ability to waive them entirely, or take refundable deposits.

If you want to comment on these, please do so here.

Please leave your comments here.

Please let us know if there is anything further you would like us to consider in this review?

Do you have any other comments or general feedback you wish to make?

Additional information

These questions are not required, but help us better understand the community and how best to engage.

Have you submitted to the council before?

Yes

No

If yes, how have you submitted in the past?

Online

Paper form

Email

Presented at a hearing

Other
please specify

How did you hear about this consultation?

Website

Newspaper

Email

Social media

Radio

Community panel

Other
please specify

How do you prefer to receive news from the council?

Tick any that apply

Website

Newspaper

Email

Social media

Radio

Community panel

Mail drop

Other
please specify

Demographics

Gender

Female

Male

Another gender

Specify if you feel comfortable

Age

Under 18 years

18-29 years

30-39 years

40-49 years

50-59 years

60-69 years

70-79 years

80 years and over

Ethnicity

Tick all that apply

NZ European

Māori

Asian

Pacific Peoples

Middle Eastern / Latin American / African

Other
please specify

Location

Tick one

- Aramoho** (Lower Aramoho, Upper Aramoho)
- Bastia Hill / Durie Hill**
- Blueskin / Pākaraka**
- Castlecliff** (Castlecliff North, Castlecliff South, Mosston)
- Fordell / Kakatahi**
- Gonville** (Balgownie, Tawhero, Gonville South, Gonville East, Gonville West)
- Marybank / Gordon Park**
- Kai Iwi/Mowhanau**
- Putiki**
- St John's Hill / Otamatea**
- Springvale** (Springvale West, Springvale East, Mosston)
- Whanganui Central** (Laird Park, Whanganui Central, Whanganui Collegiate)
- Whanganui East** (Williams Domain, Wembley Park, Kowhai Park)
- Other**
please specify