

Te Mahere Rautaki a-rohe o Wairarapa



### 1. Project Background

The Wairarapa Combined District Plan (the District Plan) is now over ten years old and is due for review.

District Plans must be reviewed and updated every 10 years. The review of the District Plan is an opportunity to influence how land use and subdivision is managed in the districts.

The three Wairarapa District Councils have resolved to continue having a Combined District Plan for all three districts, and to jointly review the operative Combined District Plan.

## 2. Joint Committee July Workshop

The Joint Committee met on 27 July 2023 where it considered research and feedback on sites of significance to Māori.

The Committee also considered reports relating to the feedback from the public and/or inputs from expert advisors on the following Draft Chapters:

- Notable Trees
- Noise
- Financial Contributions
- Fault Hazards
- The Māori Purpose Zone

The Committee also considered feedback relating to the Documents Incorporated by Reference engagement, which ran over four weeks during May and June 2023.

It also received a Resource Management Reform update.

### 3. Documents Incorporated By Reference

The Documents Incorporated By Reference engagement received a total of 11 submissions.

#### Feedback related to

- Regulatory requirements and their application as compliance standards (such as those set out in the New Zealand Fire Service Firefighting Water Supplies Code of Practice)
- The New Zealand Fire Service
  Firefighting Water Supplies Code of Practice
- Inclusion of Sediment Control Guidelines to any associated earthworks provisions.
- The International Commission on Non-Ionising Radiation Protection Guidelines

# **Looking Ahead**

The next Joint Committee Workshop will be held on 31 August 2023, where the Committee will consider feedback received on the following Draft Chapters:

- Historic Heritage
- Signs
- Indigenous Biodiversity

All feedback on the Draft District Plan continues to be analysed and is being used to inform the Proposed District Plan. A summary of feedback received will be published to the website once this process is complete.



If you have questions about the review process in the meantime, contact your Council directly.



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On the basis of the current programme, a Proposed District Plan is likely be notified in the last quarter of 2023 and a formal submission process will be undertaken, with the ability to make submissions and further submissions.

At this stage it is envisaged that hearings will be held by a Hearings Panel in the second and third quarters of 2024 to consider submissions, followed by the release of decisions later that year, and then an appeal period.

### 3. Website

The website – www.wairarapaplan.co.nz – will provide information on all upcoming engagement opportunities once they are finalised.

