



HURUNUI
District Council

Regulatory Committee

Agenda

1pm, Thursday, 16 August 2018

Council Chambers, Carters Road, Amberley.

Community partnership in growth and wellbeing.

Regulatory Committee

Committee Membership:

Cr Marie Black (Chairperson)
Mayor Winton Dalley
Cr Dick Davison
Cr Jason Fletcher
Cr Fiona Harris

Quorum:

The quorum of the Committee will be three (3) members.

Secretary: Kait Murray

The purpose of local government:

- (1) The purpose of local government is—
 - (a) to enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities; and
 - (b) to meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses.
- (2) In this Act, **good-quality**, in relation to local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions, means infrastructure, services, and performance that are—
 - (a) efficient; and
 - (b) effective; and
 - (c) appropriate to present and anticipated future circumstances.

(Local Government Act 2002 – Amendment Act 2012)

REGULATORY COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, 16 AUGUST 2018 AT 1PM

1.00pm	Meeting begins
3.00pm	Afternoon tea
4.00pm	Meeting Concludes

ITEM	ORDER OF BUSINESS	SIGNIFICANCE	PAGES
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and Safety briefing • Apologies • Announced Urgent Business • Conflict of Interest Declarations • Recording Device 		
1	Minutes: Confirmation of the Minutes from the meeting held on 14 June 2018		4 - 5
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HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MINUTES



Meeting	Regulatory Committee
Time and Date	1pm, Thursday, 14 June 2018
Venue	Council Chambers, Carters Road, Amberley

Members Present	Core Members: Mayor Winton Dalley (Chairperson), Councillors Dick Davison, and Fiona Harris (until 2.36pm).
In Attendance	Hamish Dobbie (Chief Executive Officer), Judith Batchelor (Manager Regulatory Services) and Kait Murray (Committee Secretary).
Apologies	Councillor Jason Fletcher <p>THAT THE APOLOGY BE ACCEPTED.</p> <p>Davison/Harris CARRIED</p>
Leave of Absence	Councillor Marie Black
Election of Temporary Chair	With the Leave of Absence of the Chairperson, Cr Marie Black and there being no elected deputy chairperson the committee members that are present must elect one of their number to preside at that meeting, and that person may exercise at that meeting the responsibilities, duties, and powers of the chairperson. <p>Nominations for the chairperson for this meeting were received for:</p> <p>Mayor Winton Dalley Harris/Davidson CARRIED</p>
Adjournment	<i>The Committee adjourned at 1.01pm to enable the members participation in a climate change webinar and workshop. The meeting reconvened at 2.30pm.</i>
Recording Device	A recording device was not used.
Urgent Business	Nil.
1. Minutes	THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 17 MAY 2018 BE CONFIRMED WITH AN AMENDMENT TO THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT; TO REFLECT THAT CR HARRIS WAS NOT PRESENT, AND IS TO BE RECORDED AS AN APOLOGY. <p>Dalley/Harris CARRIED</p>

2. DECISION ITEMS

2.1 The impact of the Fire and Emergency Management Act 2017 on our Fire Prevention Bylaw 2014

The Fire and Emergency Management Act 2017 has shifted the Rural Fire responsibilities previous held by Council to Fire and Emergency New Zealand.

The Hurunui District Council Fire Prevention Bylaw 2014 was the regulatory mechanism we used to fulfil our requirements. With the introduction of the Act the bylaw has been superseded and is now redundant.

Prior to revoking a bylaw Council is required to consult with Fire and Emergency New Zealand; a summary of this consultation is provided in the body of this paper. Council are able to revoke the bylaw by making a Council resolution and giving public notice of this.

THAT THE REGULATORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT COUNCIL REVOKES THE FIRE PREVENTION BYLAW 2014.

Dalley/Harris

CARRIED

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no discussion items for this meeting.

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

4.1 Regional Pest Management Plan - Update

Due to a lack of a quorum the report was left to lie on the table.

4.2 National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry - Implementation

Due to a lack of a quorum the report was left to lie on the table.

5. URGENT BUSINESS

MEETING ENDED

The meeting closed at 2.47pm.

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING REPORT



To: Regulatory Committee
 Report Prepared By: Nicola Kirby, Policy Planner
 Date: 16 August 2018
 Significance Level: Medium

Proposed Plan Change 1 – Miscellaneous amendments

Recommendation	<p>THAT THE COMMITTEE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADOPT THE SECTION 32 EVALUATION REPORT SUPPORTING PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 1 (APPENDIX 1). • ADOPT THE ENGAGEMENT PLAN SUPPORTING NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 1 (APPENDIX 2). • APPROVE PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 1 FOR PUBLIC NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SCHEDULE 1 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991. • GIVE AUTHORISATION TO THE MANAGER REGULATORY SERVICES TO MAKE MINOR DRAFTING, EDITING AND/OR LAYOUT AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS PRIOR TO PUBLIC NOTIFICATION, IF NECESSARY.
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Executive Summary	<p>Proposed Plan Change 1 (proposed PC1) introduces a number of amendments to provisions in the Operative Hurunui District Plan (the Plan). The proposed amendments address a number of separate and miscellaneous issues identified in the rule framework by plan users.</p> <p>The purpose of proposed PC1 is to improve the overall workability, consistency and clarity of the Plan by addressing identified issues to better align the rule framework with, and achieve, the Plan policies and objectives.</p> <p>In reviewing the proposed amendments, Officers do not consider any plan user should find themselves further regulated than they were under the Inoperative District Plan.</p> <p>This report seeks approval from the Committee to publicly notify the plan change and to adopt the relevant supporting documents.</p>
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Background	<p>The Committee approved the preparation of proposed PC1 at the 12 October Regulatory Committee meeting.</p> <p>http://www.hurunui.govt.nz/assets/Documents/AgendasMinutes/Regulatory-Committee/2017/12-October-2017-Regulatory-Committee-Agenda-RS.pdf</p> <p>On 12 April 2018 a workshop session was held to introduce and familiarise the Committee with the content of proposed PC1.</p>
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Changes since the April workshop	<p><u>Amendments altered after discussion at the April workshop:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amendment 1-4: <i>Misalignment between minimum site area requirements for Land Use (Chapter 4) and Subdivision (Chapter 5)</i> <p>The proposed amendment now includes several of the Outline Development</p>
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Zones where the same misalignment of minimum site area requirements exists.

- **Amendment 1-8:** *Real estate signage*

The proposed amendment now recognises real estate signs are provided for in the definition of temporary signs. However, real estate signs are considered unlikely to comply with the temporary sign rules, so this amendment proposes inserting a new temporary real estate sign rule with specific permitted activity standards.

Amendments removed since discussion at the April workshop:

- *Application of the Hanmer Springs Design Standards to farm accessory buildings within the Hanmer Basin*

After further consideration, Officers have decided to remove this proposed amendment. Officers consider any potential amendment to this rule would be better considered as part of a broader discussion about the Hanmer Springs Design Standards, their application, and what they are trying to achieve.

Additional amendments not discussed at the April workshop:

- **Amendment 1-2:** *Clarification of rule drafting*
- **Amendment 1-3:** *Demonstration of compliance with frost fan rules*
- **Amendment 1-5:** *Exemption to the settlement height rules*
- **Amendment 1-10:** *Containers in the Business and Open Space zones*
- **Amendment 1-17:** *St James Estate*
- **Amendment 1-27:** *Appendix 8.1 – Road classification*
- **Amendment 1-29:** *Addition to clarify application of brick design standards*

Explanation and reasoning for all proposed amendments is detailed in the section 32 report attached as Appendix 1. Officers will explain each new amendment listed above at the meeting.

Section 32 evaluation

Clause 5(1) of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act) requires the completion of a section 32 evaluation report prior to public notification for all plans, policy statements and plan changes prepared under the Act.

The purpose of a section 32 evaluation report is to provide a robust and transparent evaluation of practicable options to establish the most appropriate option to achieve the purpose of the Act.

Proposed PC1 only proposes changes to the rule framework. No changes are proposed to the Plan's objective framework. Therefore, an underlying assumption is the existing objective framework remains the most appropriate way of achieving the purpose of the Act. This is because the existing objective framework was reviewed and developed in accordance with the Act. Accordingly, this section 32 evaluation has been undertaken against the existing Plan objectives and the purpose of proposed PC1.

This section 32 evaluation examines two options – the status quo and proposed PC1 - in terms of efficiency, effectiveness, costs and benefits. The Act directs the report should be relative to the scale and significance of the proposal and the anticipated environmental, economic, social and cultural effects.

The section 32 report attached as Appendix 1 demonstrates proposed PC1 is

	<p>the most appropriate option.</p>
Financial considerations	<p>Any costs associated with proposed PC1 would fall within the normal operating budget of the Planning Policy team.</p>
Legal Considerations	<p>The Committee is acting within its regulatory function pursuant to its purpose under the Local Government Act 2002, section 10.</p> <p>The Committee has delegated authority to approve plan changes for public notification as per the Councils' Delegation Manual.</p>
Policy and plan implications	<p>Any changes resulting from proposed PC1 would only affect the Plan. The amendments proposed are expected to improve efficiency and effectiveness of the Plan to better achieve the Plan objectives.</p>
Considerations for Tangata Whenua	<p>Mahaanui Kurataiao Ltd (Mahaanui) were engaged to assist with determining the level of input papatipu rūnanga may wish to have in the plan change process. Mahaanui support both Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri Rūnanga and Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura. A summary of feedback received from the Kaitiaki Committees is provided within the section on Engagement.</p>
Significance Consideration	<p>The Plan is a significant Council document. The Plan regulates land use activities such as subdivision, building locations, noise emissions, and activities on the surface of water bodies. The Plan affects everyone who lives and/or works in the Hurunui.</p> <p>Proposed PC1 seeks to correct miscellaneous issues identified in the rule framework of the District Plan. Officers have reviewed the proposed amendments and do not consider these are likely to be controversial. Instead, Officers consider proposed PC1 would actually reduce some of the more controversial aspects of the Plan.</p> <p>Proposed PC1 is considered to be of medium significance. Public consultation is required by the Act as set out below. The issues identified with the Plan have implications and impacts on development within the district; in some cases the issues disadvantage the plan user, in other cases the issues risk not achieving anticipated environmental outcomes.</p>
Engagement	<p>Consultation requirements are set out in Schedule 1 of the Act.</p> <p><i>Pre-consultation</i></p> <p>Clause 3 sets out pre-consultation requirements. Officers deemed it relevant to pre-consult with the Minister for the Environment and tangata whenua only.</p> <p>The following responses were received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No response from the Minister for the Environment. • Both the Kaitiaki Committee for Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri Rūnanga and for Kaikōura Rūnanga acknowledged the proposed amendments would improve the overall usability of the Plan, and that no amendment proposes a major change to the Plan. On this basis both Kaitiaki Committees were comfortable with the plan change proposed and did not wish to have any further involvement in this process. • With regards to involvement of the Kaitiaki Committees on future plan change processes, Officers will aim to make contact with Mahaanui once the Regulatory Committee have approved the

initiation of work on a plan change process. In discussion with Mahaanui it was considered this would provide sufficient opportunity for the Kaitiaki to decide early in the process their level of engagement with a particular plan change process.

Consultation

Clause 5 sets out consultation requirements. In accordance with Clause 5:

- The submission period will run for one month.
- The public notice will contain the information prescribed in Clause 5(2). This notice will appear in the North Canterbury News.
- A copy of the plan change will be emailed to all parties listed in Clause 5(4).

Advertisement of proposed PC1 will also occur in the local newsletters, on the Council website and Facebook page.

The engagement plan is attached as Appendix 2. Officers anticipate public notification of proposed PC1 to commence in late August if the Committee agrees to the recommendations in this report.

Options

Option 1: Do Nothing

This option is not recommended.

To do nothing would perpetuate the existing issues identified within the Plan, obstructing effective and efficient administration of the Plan and the full achievement of the Plan policies and objectives.

Option 2: Adopt the section 32 evaluation and engagement plan and approve proposed PC1 for public notification

This option is recommended.

It is recommended the Committee adopt the section 32 evaluation and approve proposed PC1 for public notification using the process set out in Schedule 1 of the Act. Amendments will be made to the Plan to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the rule framework to better achieve the Plan policies and objectives.

Appendices

Appendix 1: Proposed Plan Change 1 and section 32 evaluation report
Appendix 2: Engagement Plan

Report Prepared
by:



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Report Reviewed
by:



Judith Batchelor
Manager Regulatory Services

Officer in
Attendance:

The report author will be in attendance to speak to this report.

Proposed Plan Change 1: MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS

Section 32 report

1. Introduction

Summary

The purpose of proposed Plan Change 1 (proposed PC1) is to amend a number of provisions in the Operative Hurunui District Plan (the Plan) to address separate and miscellaneous issues identified in the rule framework by plan users. In general, the proposed amendments are not substantive, but are considered important to improve the overall workability, consistency and clarity of the Plan. The proposed amendments seek to better align the rule framework with, and achieve, the Plan objectives.

The scope of proposed PC1 is to amend the rule framework to:

1. Improve and refine existing rules;
2. Resolve inconsistencies between chapters;
3. Reinstate rules unintentionally omitted from the Plan; and
4. Rationalise rules.

The proposed amendments are detailed in section 2 and evaluated under section 32 of the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act) in section 4.

Background

District Plan Review

The first generation Hurunui District Plan became operative on 7 August 2003. Section 79(1) of the Act requires councils to commence a review of provisions where no change has been made in the previous 10 year period. Hurunui District Council chose to undertake a full review of the District Plan. This full review commenced in 2011, culminating in public notification of the proposed Hurunui District Plan on 2 May 2015. One hundred and eight submissions and 49 further submissions were received. Hearing of submissions was held in May and June 2016, and the decisions version of the proposed Hurunui District Plan was publicly notified on 16 October 2016. Six appeals were received, all of which were resolved through the Environment Court mediation process over the course of 2017/2018. The Hurunui District Council made the second generation plan operative on 21 June 2018.

The contents of the Plan represent the outcome of the plan review process.

Plan structure

The Plan was restructured as part of the plan review process. The Inoperative District Plan was split into two parts: the first part set out the issue, objective and policy frameworks; the second part set out the rule framework. Within the rules a district-wide framework was provided, followed by rules relating to environments of special concern: urban areas; Coastal Environment; Hurunui Lakes area; Hanmer Basin; and Mt Lyford. The district-wide rules applied to all zones, unless superseded by any of the rule frameworks specific to a particular environment of special concern. This structure meant Plan users would need to look in multiple locations to find the relevant information.

In contrast, the Operative District Plan structure provides the issue, objective, policy and rule frameworks together in each chapter. This enables Plan users to find the relevant overall framework in one place. The Rural, Settlement and Subdivision chapters provide the basic framework for the underlying land zonings. The other chapters are overlays structured by topic. The overlay chapters are applicable as indicated by the planning maps (e.g. natural hazard areas) or because of the activity proposed (e.g. biodiversity clearance).

A key change to the structure is how the rule framework applicable to the underlying land zones is packaged. The Operative District Plan packages the rule frameworks for the Rural and Settlement – Residential, Business, Industrial and Open Space – Zones separately. This results in repetition of rules applicable across more than one zone. However, the repetition makes it clear what rules apply to a particular zone, rather than requiring the Plan user to search through two rule frameworks where not all the rules are relevant to the particular zone the user is interested in.

Rationale for the Proposed Plan Change

In using the Plan, Council officers and other Plan users have identified inconsistencies between rules, inadvertent omissions and rules that require improvement or rationalising. The majority of these issues stem from the changes to the structure of the Plan outlined above, and in particular, how the rule framework for the underlying land zones has been repackaged. A number of the amendments relate to the incomplete transfer of rules into the new Plan, which has resulted in gaps in the rule framework where rules previously applied but have unintentionally not been included in the Operative District Plan in all zones to which they previously applied. These, and the other issues identified within the scope of this plan change require correction to ensure consistent operation and administration of the Plan and to ensure provisions are efficient and effective, to better achieve the Plan objectives and implement the policies.

Where possible minor errors have been corrected using Schedule 1, Clause 16 or Clause 20A of the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act). These can be found [here](#) and [here](#).

Clause 16 provides territorial authorities the ability to amend district plans before a plan becomes operative, where the alteration is of minor effect, to correct any minor errors, or by a direction of the Environment Court under section 293 or a national policy statement under section 55(2) of the Act. Clause 20A provides territorial authorities the ability to correct any minor errors after a plan becomes operative.

The proposed amendments detailed below go beyond the scope of a change able to be corrected using either Clause 16 or Clause 20A of the Act. As such the proposed amendments are required to go through the Schedule 1 plan change process.

2. Proposed Plan Change 1

The proposed amendments are detailed in the following table. The table explains each of the proposed changes.

Proposed additions to the plan are shown with red underline and proposed deletions are indicated by ~~red strikethrough~~.

The proposed amendments can also be viewed in the E-plan: <https://dp.hurunui.govt.nz/eplan/#>

Chapter 3 - Rural

Amendment	Topic & Plan Provision	Explanation of Proposed Amendments	Proposed Amendments
1-1	<p><i>Exemption to rural setback rules for additions to existing non-complying buildings</i></p> <p>Rule: 3.4.3.1.x</p>	<p>The Inoperative District Plan provided an exemption from rural setback rules for additions to existing non-complying buildings. Existing non-complying buildings are no longer exempt from the rural setback rules in the Operative District Plan. This means resource consent is now required for an activity that previously did not. This is not considered efficient where an addition would not increase the existing non-compliance.</p> <p>Rural setback rules seek to preserve visual amenity values and reduce the potential for reverse sensitivity effects. Therefore, it is considered appropriate to require resource consent where a proposed addition to an existing non-complying building will increase the degree of non-compliance. Resource consent would enable assessment of the actual and potential effects of a further breach of the setback rules. However, it is not considered appropriate to require resource consent where the degree of non-compliance is not increased as the effects are considered likely to be the same or similar, so a new assessment through the resource consent process is not necessary. This is considered an efficient and effective approach to achieve the following objective of the Operative District Plan with regards to existing non-complying buildings:</p> <p>Policy 3.5</p> <p><i>To enable a variety of activities to occur within rural areas while managing adverse effects on character and amenity values by seeking that the scale and siting of development:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Maintains a dominance of open space and plantings over buildings, especially when viewed from public places such as roads.</i> <p>Policy 3.8</p> <p><i>To control noise emissions at reasonable levels and where they exceed those levels, mitigate the effects of noise through noise reduction methods including separation distances between those noise-emitting activities and sensitive activities.</i></p> <p>This amendment proposes reinstating an exemption for existing non-complying buildings in so far as the exemption only applies where the proposed addition does not increase the existing degree of non-compliance.</p>	<p>3.4.3 Standards for permitted activities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Building setback requirements</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Dwellings and principal buildings must be located more than 100 m from dwellings and principal buildings on a separate lot under different ownership;</i> <i>Setbacks for all buildings that contain sensitive activities:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>80 m from a boundary with a strategic arterial road, a district arterial road or a collector road;</i> <i>25 m from a boundary of any other public road that is not sealed;</i> <i>10 m from a boundary of any other public road that is sealed;</i> <i>25 m from all other boundaries where the building has any wall or ridgeline that exceeds 30 m in length; and</i> <i>4 m from a boundary of any rail corridor.</i> <p><i>Note 1: There is no setback from unformed legal roads</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Setbacks for all buildings that do not contain sensitive activities:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>25 m from a boundary with a strategic arterial road, a district arterial road or a collector road;</i> <i>from a boundary of any other public road;</i> <i>25 m from all other boundaries where the building has any wall or ridgeline that exceeds 30 m in length; and</i> <i>4 m from a boundary of any rail corridor</i> <p><i>Note 1: There is no setback from unformed legal roads.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Despite Rule 3.4.3.1(a) and (b), where an existing lot is less than 2500 m² in area and contains an existing dwelling, the building setbacks for alterations, extensions and rebuilding of the dwelling and addition or alteration of accessory buildings must comply with the yard requirements of Rule 4.6.3, provided alterations, extensions and rebuilding of the dwelling do not further exceed any existing breach of the front yard requirements of Rule 3.4.3.1(b)</i> <p><i><u>(d)(A) Additions to existing non-complying buildings are exempt from the setback requirements of Rules 3.4.3.1(a), (b) and (c) provided the addition does not increase the existing degree of non-compliance.</u></i></p>
1-2	<p><i>Clarification of rule drafting</i></p> <p>Rule: 3.4.3.3(c)(i)</p>	<p>This proposed amendment seeks to make a wording change to ensure consistency between Rule 3.4.3.3(a)(ii), which sets a minimum area requirement of 4 ha per one dwelling, and Rule 3.4.3.3(c)(i), which requires a site to be more than 4 ha in area to support a minor dwelling or visitor accommodation. There is a misalignment in the wording of these two related rules. Therefore, this amendment proposes a minor alteration to the wording of Rule 3.4.3.3(c)(i) to ensure it is clear the requirement to support visitor accommodation or a minor dwelling is a site 4 ha or more in area.</p>	<p>3.4.3 Standards for permitted activities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Minimum area requirements and dwellings</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The minimum area requirement for dwelling is one dwelling per:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>[...]</i> <i>4ha of total site area in all other Rural Zones.</i> <i>[...]</i> <i>In addition to (a) above, one minor dwelling or visitor accommodation is permitted per site, provided that:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The site is more than 4 ha <u>or more</u> in area;</i>
1-3	<i>Demonstration of</i>	Determination 2018/013 made by the Ministry for Business, Innovation and Employment	Rule 3.4.3 Standards for permitted activities

<p><i>compliance with frost fan rules</i></p> <p>Rule: 3.4.3.9(h)(iii)</p>	<p>(MBIE) considered whether frost control fans fit within the definition of 'building' and whether building consent is therefore required for installation. The outcome was building consent is not required for frost control fans. This outcome has implications for Rule 3.4.3.9(h)(iii). This rule requires an acoustic report be supplied at the time of building consent to demonstrate compliance with the New Zealand standards specified in the rule. The determination from MBIE means the point of compliance is no longer applicable as building consent is not required for frost control fan foundations.</p> <p>This means the rule as currently written is no longer efficient or effective at managing the potential noise effects of frost control fans to achieve the objectives and policies of the Operative District Plan:</p> <p>Objective 3.1</p> <p><i>The character and amenity values of rural areas of the district are maintained while providing for a variety of activities including those associated with primary production.</i></p> <p>Objective 3.2</p> <p><i>Rural areas are managed so that primary production activities are able to be carried out efficiently and effectively.</i></p> <p>Policy 3.1</p> <p><i>To ensure that rural areas remain productive by recognising that some primary production activities lead to a range of effects including noise, dust, odour, traffic and visual effects.</i></p> <p>Policy 3.5</p> <p><i>To enable a variety of activities to occur within rural areas while managing adverse effects on character and amenity values by seeking that the scale and siting of development:</i></p> <p><i>4. Achieves an appropriate level of compatibility with existing development within the surrounding area</i></p> <p><i>5. Avoids unduly affecting the amenity of existing sensitive activities being exposed to noise and adverse light emissions at night.</i></p> <p>Policy 3.9</p> <p><i>To provide for frost control fans as part of primary production activities, while avoiding or mitigating the generation of noise exceeding a reasonable level.</i></p> <p>Receipt of an acoustic report is important to ensure sound levels will meet the relevant New Zealand standards. The acoustic report also provides the location of new frost control fans, which allows Council to keep maps of existing frost control fans up-to-date. Knowing the location of frost control fans is important for determining whether a proposed dwelling will be located within 1000 m of a frost control fan and therefore what acoustic measures are required, as per Rules 3.4.3.22 and 4.6.18. This provides protection for frost control fan operators from the potential reverse sensitivity effects to arise.</p> <p>This amendment proposes deleting reference to building consent being the point at which compliance is demonstrated. The amendment proposes rewording this part of the rule to be consistent with the wording used in Rule 15.4.3.2(a).</p> <p>This amendment also proposes deleting the reference to frost control fan including fans for which building consent and/or resource consent has been obtained and not lapsed. This duplicates the definition. The definition also requires amendment to remove reference to building consents.</p>	<p>9. Noise limits</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>(h) <i>Single or multiple frost control fans shall be constructed and operated in accordance with the following standards:</i></p> <p>[...]</p> <p>(iii) <i>Sounds levels will be measured in accordance with the provisions of NZS 6801:2008 Acoustics – Measurements of Environmental Sounds, and assessed in accordance with the provisions of NZS 6802:2008 Acoustics – Environmental Noise, except that for the purpose of determining the activity status, no adjustment for special audible characteristics shall be applied to measured or calculated noise levels;</i></p> <p><i>For the purpose of this rule:</i></p> <p><i>“Frost control fan” includes a proposed frost control fan for which a building consent and/or resource consent has been obtained and has not lapsed.</i></p> <p><i>Compliance with this rule shall be demonstrated <u>by an acoustic report from an acoustic engineer that has been certified by the Chief Executive of Hurunui District Council as being appropriately qualified and experienced at the time of application for building consent by the production of a report from an appropriately qualified and experienced acoustic engineer.</u></i></p> <p>Definitions</p> <p><i>Frost control fan: means a land based device designed or adapted to control frost by circulating air over the frost-affected surfaces, and includes any support structure, and includes a proposed frost control fan for which <u>a building consent and/or an acoustic report has been submitted under Rule 3.4.3.9(iii) and/or</u> a resource consent has been obtained and has not lapsed.</i></p>
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Chapter 4 – Settlements

Amendment	Topic & Plan Provision	Explanation of Proposed Amendments	Proposed Amendments																																																																								
1-4	<p><i>Minimum site area requirements in Residential Zones - misalignment between Land Use (Chapter 4) and Subdivision rules (Chapter 5)</i></p> <p>Rule: 4.6.1, 4.6.19</p>	<p>Under the Inoperative District Plan the minimum area required for subdivision of any lot aligned with the minimum site area required to construct a dwelling. This meant for any subdivision that met the subdivision minimum lot size requirements, subsequent building on the subdivided lot was a permitted activity (provided all other permitted activity land use rules were met).</p> <p>When the Operative District Plan was drafted it appears the minimum area requirements for land use and subdivision were unintentionally changed. This is likely to have occurred as a result of how the zones and related rules were renamed and restructured into the Operative District Plan. The consequence of this is the minimum area requirements in the Operative District Plan for land use and subdivision rules do not align as shown in the table below:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Plan Zone</th> <th>Land use</th> <th>Subdivision</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Residential 1</td> <td>700 m²</td> <td>Minimum size – 400 m² Average size – 700 m²</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Residential 1A</td> <td>700 m² 250 m² (for allotments created by subdivision consent between 25/09/1995 and 01/03/2008)</td> <td>Minimum size – 400 m² Average size – 700 m² (Only 20% of lots in any subdivision may be less than 700 m² in area.) 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1-5	<p><i>Exemptions to the Settlement height rules</i></p> <p>Rule: 4.6.4, 4.12.2, 4.17.2, 4.21.1</p>	<p>The Inoperative District Plan included exemptions from the height rules for structures presenting discrete breaches unlikely to impact on the environmental quality of adjoining properties. These exemptions have not been transferred into the Operative District Plan. This means where a dwelling is to be constructed with a chimney more than 8 m in height, resource consent is required. It is noted this could be processed as a deemed permitted activity as introduced as part of the Resource Management Amendment Act 2017. However, this is not considered efficient. The need to obtain either resource consent or permission as a deemed permitted activity adds time and cost to the process that is not proportionate to the breach and the effects.</p> <p>Exemptions for structures such as chimneys are provided for by the access to sunlight rules. This implies that the effects of such structures on the receiving environment are anticipated. Therefore, providing equivalent exemptions to the height rules is considered appropriate to provide consistency. In addition, exemptions to height rules are provided in the Rural Zone for chimneys and ventilation shafts of up to 1.5m, frost control fans and wind turbines up to 12 m in height and farm silos.</p> <p>This amendment proposes re-instating exemptions to the height rules to all Settlement Zones to match the exemptions to the access to sunlight rules in the Operative District Plan.</p>	<p><u>Residential Zone</u></p> <p>4.6 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>4. <i>Height</i></p> <p>(a) <i>The maximum height of any building or structure shall be 8 m, from the natural ground level.</i></p> <p>(b) <i>The following structures are exempt from Rule 4.6.4(a):</i></p> <p>(i) <i>Flagpoles;</i></p> <p>(ii) <i>Wires;</i></p> <p>(iii) <i>Television and radio antennas;</i></p> <p>(iv) <i>Chimneys; and</i></p> <p>(v) <i>Lightning rods.</i></p> <p><u>Business Zone</u></p> <p>4.12 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>2. <i>Height</i></p> <p>(a) <i>The maximum height of any building or structure is 9m.</i></p> <p>(b) <i>The following structures are exempt from Rule 4.12.2(a):</i></p> <p>(i) <i>Flagpoles;</i></p> <p>(ii) <i>Wires;</i></p> <p>(iii) <i>Television and radio antennas;</i></p> <p>(iv) <i>Chimneys; and</i></p>

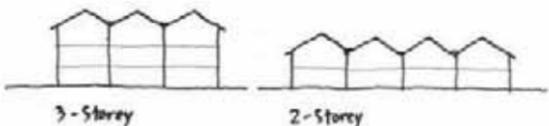
			<p style="text-align: right;"><u>(v) Lightning rods.</u></p> <p><u>Industrial Zone</u></p> <p>4.17 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>2. Height</p> <p>(a) The maximum height of any building or structure is 9m.</p> <p><u>(b) The following structures are exempt from Rule 4.17.2(a):</u></p> <p><u>(i) Flagpoles;</u></p> <p><u>(ii) Wires;</u></p> <p><u>(iii) Television and radio antennas;</u></p> <p><u>(iv) Chimneys; and</u></p> <p><u>(v) Lightning rods.</u></p> <p><u>Open Space Zone</u></p> <p>4.21 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>1. Height</p> <p>(a) The maximum height of any building or structure is 8m.</p> <p><u>(b) The following structures are exempt from Rule 4.21.2(a):</u></p> <p><u>(i) Flagpoles;</u></p> <p><u>(ii) Wires;</u></p> <p><u>(iii) Television and radio antennas;</u></p> <p><u>(iv) Chimneys; and</u></p> <p><u>(v) Lightning rods.</u></p>
1-6	<p><i>Earthworks</i></p> <p>Missing rules</p>	<p>Under the Inoperative District Plan, the earthwork rules for all zones were contained in the overarching Environmental Amenity chapter. The Operative District Plan is structured differently, and earthworks rules are included in the Rural, Residential and Industrial Zones. Earthworks rules are missing from the Business and Open Space Zone rules. This likely occurred as a result of how the zones and related rules were renamed and restructured in the Operative District Plan.</p> <p>Unlike the Inoperative District Plan, in the Operative District Plan different earthwork rules are applicable to different zones. The earthwork rules across the different zones include rules with regards to bulk earthworks, earthworks in proximity to water bodies, earthworks in the vicinity of the National Grid and earthworks associated with the removal or replacement of underground fuel storage systems.</p> <p>In the Operative District Plan, the way the permitted activity rules are written for the Business 1, 1A and 1H Zone mean earthworks can be carried out as a permitted activity (provided all the permitted activity standards are complied with). Earthworks can be carried out in the Business 2 Zone and Open Space Zone as a permitted activity where the earthworks are ancillary to a listed permitted activity.</p> <p>This amendment proposes re-instating rules for earthworks in proximity to water bodies into the Business Zone and Open Space Zone rules. The inclusion of this rule is considered appropriate as the effects of earthworks in proximity to water bodies would be the same regardless of which zone the earthworks are occurring in. It is not considered efficient to control the effects in some zones and not others when the same waterways flow through multiple different land zonings. Not having rules in all zones is also considered ineffective for achieving objective 4 in terms of environmental quality:</p> <p>Objective 4</p> <p><i>Adaptive, vibrant and healthy settlements that meet the economic, social and cultural needs</i></p>	<p><u>Business Zone</u></p> <p>4.12 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>9A. Earthworks</p> <p><u>(a) Earthworks may not be carried out within 20 m of the bank of any river, 50 m of any wetland, or 100 m of any lake with the following exemptions:</u></p> <p><u>(i) Earthworks carried out for reasons of public or personal safety;</u></p> <p><u>(ii) Maintenance of existing fence-lines, vehicle tracks, roads, firebreaks, drains, ponds, dams, crossings or utilities;</u></p> <p><u>(iii) Tracks providing foot access;</u></p> <p><u>(iv) Domestic gardens and amenity planting.</u></p> <p><u>Open Space Zone</u></p> <p>4.21 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>11. Earthworks</p> <p><u>(a) Earthworks may not be carried out within 20 m of the bank of any river, 50 m of any wetland, or 100 m of any lake with the following exemptions:</u></p> <p><u>(i) Earthworks carried out for reasons of public or personal safety;</u></p> <p><u>(ii) Maintenance of existing fence-lines, vehicle tracks, roads, firebreaks, drains, ponds, dams, crossings or utilities;</u></p> <p><u>(iii) Tracks providing foot access;</u></p> <p><u>(iv) Domestic gardens and amenity planting.</u></p>

		<p><i>of the district and North Canterbury; while retaining their own character, environmental quality and sense of community.</i></p> <p>In terms of the other earthworks rules applicable in other plan zones, these rules are not considered necessary additions in either the Business Zone or the Open Space Zone rules. Rules for bulk earthworks are not considered necessary as activities requiring such earthworks are not anticipated within the Settlement Zones. Rules for earthworks within the vicinity of the National Grid are not required, as no National Grid lines have been identified crossing through either zone. Rules for earthworks associated with the removal or replacement of underground fuel storage systems are not considered necessary. There are no restrictions within the Business 1, 1A or 1H Zones, whereas in the Open Space Zone this type of activity is not anticipated and it is not considered appropriate to provide for this as a permitted activity.</p> <p>Therefore the status quo, with the proposed amendments, is considered to provide appropriate management of earthworks in the Business and Open Space Zones consistent with the types of activities anticipated.</p> <p>This amendment also proposes minor amendments to provide clarity and consistency of earthworks rules between zones:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removal of 4.6.9(a)(v) – this is to promote consistency with existing earthworks rules 3.4.3.16(c) and 4.17.9. This rule is actually a definition, and the definition is included in the definitions chapter. Therefore having the definition as a rule is superfluous. <p>Add reference to the Settlement Zone earthworks rules within the River definition in Chapter 20. This would be consistent with the treatment of Rule 3.4.3.16(c).</p>	<p>Remove Rule 4.6.9(a)(v) from Residential Zone rules</p> <p>4.6 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>9. Earthworks</p> <p>(a) Earthworks may not be carried out within 20 m of the bank of any river, 50 m of any wetland, or 100 m of any lake with the following exemptions:</p> <p>(i) Earthworks carried out for reasons of public or personal safety;</p> <p>(ii) Maintenance of existing fence-lines, vehicle tracks, roads, firebreaks, drains, ponds, dams, crossings or utilities;</p> <p>(iii) Tracks providing foot access;</p> <p>(iv) Domestic gardens and amenity planting.</p> <p>(v) River for the purpose of this rule means any river or stream with a normal channel width flow of greater than 1.5 m averaged over the reach of the river between a point of 40 m upstream and a point of 40 m downstream from that point of the river adjacent to where the proposed earthworks are to be located.</p> <p>Insert reference to rules 4.6.9(a), 4.12.9A(a), 4.17.9(a) and 4.21.11(a) into definition of River</p> <p>River means a continually or intermittently flowing body of fresh water; and includes a stream and modified watercourse; but does not include any artificial watercourse (including an irrigation canal, water supply race, canal) for the supply of water for electricity power generation, and farm drainage canal. For the purpose of Rules 3.4.3.16(c), <u>4.6.9(a), 4.12.9A(a), 4.17.9(a), 4.21.11(a)</u> river means any river with a channel width flow, under median flow conditions of greater than 1.5 m averaged over the reach of the river between a point 40 m upstream and a point 40 m downstream from that point of the river adjacent to where the proposed activity is to be undertaken.</p>
1-7	<p><i>Temporary activity rules and construction noise rules</i></p> <p>Rule: 4.6.8, 4.12.9, 4.17.8, 4.21.5 and 3.4.3.15</p>	<p>The permitted activity standards provide for activities ancillary or incidental to building and construction work of a limited duration as a temporary activity. Temporary activities are exempt from the other permitted activity standards unless specified.</p> <p>The Residential and Industrial Zone rules exempt temporary activities from the requirement to comply with other permitted activity standards except rules for earthworks and national grid setbacks. The equivalent rule in the Rural Zone, Rule 3.4.3.15, exempts temporary activities from the requirement to comply with other permitted activity standards except rules for earthworks, national grid setbacks and mineral extraction.</p> <p>The permitted activity standards for the Rural and Settlement Zones include a specific rule for construction noise. However, because of the exemption provision for temporary activities, this rule cannot be applied to temporary construction activities. The absence of this rule means no noise limits can be imposed on temporary ancillary or incidental building works. This does not achieve policy 4.6 in relation to noise:</p> <p>Policy 4.6</p> <p><i>To control site-specific environmental effects, such as noise emissions, light spill and traffic generation, to levels appropriate to the zone.</i></p> <p>The absence of this provision is not an intentional omission. The Inoperative District Plan specifically required temporary building and construction activities to comply with the construction noise rule.</p> <p>This amendment proposes specifying construction noise as a permitted activity standard that</p>	<p><u>Residential Zone</u></p> <p>4.6 Permitted activities</p> <p>8. Temporary activities</p> <p>Other than rules <u>4.6.7(d), 4.6.9 and 4.6.13</u> and the following performance standards, no other performance standards within Chapter 4 apply to temporary activities.</p> <p><u>Business Zone</u></p> <p>4.12 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>9. Temporary activities</p> <p><u>Other than rules 4.12.8(c), 4.6.9A(a), 4.12.15 and the following performance standards, no other performance standards within Chapter 4 apply to temporary activities.</u></p> <p><u>Industrial Zone</u></p> <p>4.17 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>8. Temporary activities</p> <p>Other than rules <u>4.17.7(f), 4.17.9, 4.17.11</u> and the following performance standards, no other performance standards within Chapter 4 apply to temporary activities. within the Industrial Zone.</p> <p><u>Open Space Zone</u></p>

		<p>temporary activities must comply with.</p> <p>In addition, the equivalent exemption is missing from the Business and Open Space Zone temporary activity rules. This has likely occurred as a result of how the zones and related rules were renamed and restructured into the Operative District Plan. Therefore this amendment also proposes re-instating the exemption provision to the temporary activity rules for the Business Zone and the Open Space Zone.</p>	<p>4.21 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>5. <i>Temporary activities</i></p> <p><u>Other than Rule 4.21.4(e) and the following performance standards, no other performance standards within Chapter 4 apply to temporary activities.</u></p> <p><u>Rural Zone</u></p> <p>3.4.3 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>15. <i>Temporary activities</i></p> <p><u>Other than rules 3.4.3.9(g), 3.4.3.11, 3.4.3.16, 3.4.3.19 and the following performance standards, no other performance standards within Chapter 3 apply to temporary activities.</u></p>
1-8	<i>Real estate signage</i>	<p>Under both the Inoperative and Operative District Plan real estate signs are captured by the definition for temporary signs:</p> <p><u>Any sign not fixed to the ground or building or any sign used for short-term advertising purposes, and includes real estate signs, signs on trailers and cars, and sandwich board signs.</u></p> <p>The temporary sign rule permits temporary signs up to 2.4 m² in display area for up to two months provided the sign:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is in conjunction with a temporary or one-off activity - Is removed within 48 hours of the activity to which the sign related ceasing - Complies with the minimum visibility, minimum separation distance, and lettering/design standards listed in Rule 3.4.3.14. <p>Under the Inoperative District Plan real estate signs were also captured by a specific real estate sign rule. This rule has been transferred to the Rural Zone, but none of the Settlement Zones of the Operative District Plan. The rule provides for real estate signs provided the sign is erected in the property it relates to and complies with the minimum visibility, minimum separation distance, and lettering/design standards in Rule 3.4.3.14.</p> <p>Having two different rules to manage the same activity sends conflicting messages about what is permitted with regards to real estate signs. This indicates the Plan does not administer signs in an efficient or effective manner.</p> <p>Neither the temporary sign rule or Rule 3.4.3.14(d) provide appropriate conditions for the erection of real estate signs. A property may take longer to sell than two months and the information a real estate sign needs to display does not normally comply with lettering/design standards of Rule 3.4.3.14(g). This means in many cases real estate signs technically require resource consent. To date these rules have not been strongly enforced. This situation is not considered efficient nor effective. Real estate signs are temporary in nature and they are erected in relation to a discrete activity, and as such are included in the temporary sign definition. This indicates the effects of real estate signs are anticipated and accepted within the receiving environment.</p> <p>This amendment proposes inserting an additional temporary sign rule specifically for real estate signs. The proposed amendment is similar to the existing temporary sign rule except it exempts real estate signs from being restricted to display for only two months, as well as the requirement to comply with the minimum visibility, minimum separation distance, and lettering/design standards. As part of this amendment a longer removal period is proposed as 48 hours is not considered reasonable. Therefore, a longer removal period of one week is proposed.</p>	<p><u>Rural Zone</u></p> <p>3.4.3 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>14. <i>Signs</i></p> <p><u>(d) Real estate signs relating to the advertising and sale of the property on which they are erected, and which meet the minimum visibility, minimum separation distance, and lettering/design standards in Rule 3.4.3.14(g), Rule 3.4.3.14(h) and Rule 3.4.3.14(i) In addition to Rule 3.4.3.14(b) temporary real estate signs up to 2.4 m² in display area are permitted provided the sign:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>(i) is located within the site to which the sign relates;</u> <u>(ii) is removed within one week of the property being sold; and</u> <u>(iii) is exempt from the requirement to comply with minimum visibility, minimum separation distance, and lettering/design standards [in Rule 3.4.3.14].</u> <p><u>Residential Zone</u></p> <p>4.6 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>12. <i>Signs</i></p> <p><u>(c)(A) In addition to Rule 4.6.12(b) temporary real estate signs up to 2.4 m² in display area are permitted provided the sign:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>(i) is located within the site to which the sign relates;</u> <u>(ii) is removed within one week of the property being sold; and</u> <u>(iii) is exempt from the requirement to comply with minimum visibility, minimum separation distance, and lettering/design standards in Rule 3.4.3.14.</u> <p><u>Business Zone</u></p> <p>4.12 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>11. <i>Signs</i></p> <p><u>(c)(A) In addition to Rule 4.12.11(b) temporary real estate signs up to 2.4 m² in display area are permitted provided the sign:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>(i) is located within the site to which the sign relates;</u> <u>(ii) is removed within one week of the property being sold; and</u> <u>(iii) is exempt from the requirement to comply with minimum visibility, minimum separation distance, and lettering/design standards in Rule 3.4.3.14.</u>

			<p><u>Industrial Zone</u></p> <p>4.17 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>10. Signs</p> <p><i>(c)(A) In addition to Rule 4.17.10(b) temporary real estate signs up to 2.4 m² in display area are permitted provided the sign:</i></p> <p><i>(i) is located within the site to which the sign relates;</i></p> <p><i>(ii) is removed within one week of the property being sold; and</i></p> <p><i>(iii) is exempt from the requirement to comply with minimum visibility, minimum separation distance, and lettering/design standards in Rule 3.4.3.14.</i></p>
1-9	<p><i>Setback from Business Zone sites adjacent to Residential</i></p> <p>Rule: 4.12.1 and 4.17.1</p>	<p>The Inoperative District Plan included a permitted activity standard requiring a 1.0 m setback on Business and Industrial Zoned sites from any boundary adjoining a residential property. In the Operative District Plan this rule has been transferred over to the Industrial Zone rules only. There is no equivalent rule included in the Business Zone rules. This likely occurred as a result of how the zones and related rules were renamed and restructured into the Operative District Plan.</p> <p>The re-inclusion of this rule to the Business Zone rules is considered necessary to achieve the Plan objectives and policies in terms of providing and maintaining amenity values for residential properties that adjoin business zoned land.</p> <p>Objective 4</p> <p><i>Adaptive, vibrant and healthy settlements that meet the economic, social and cultural needs of the district and North Canterbury; while retaining their own character, environmental quality and sense of community.</i></p> <p>Policy 4.3</p> <p><i>To recognise that in the district, specific zones cannot be completely discrete in what they contain. Potentially conflicting activities are managed to ensure environmental standards, character and amenity values are maintained while not diminishing the value or detracting from the primary purpose of the zone.</i></p> <p>Policy 4.17</p> <p><i>To ensure any business development adjoining residential areas is designed and sited to protect the privacy, amenity values and outlook of residential areas.</i></p> <p>This amendment proposes reinstating a yard rule into the Business Zone rules requiring a 1.0 m setback to any boundary adjoining the Residential Zone.</p> <p>This amendment also proposes minor wording changes to the equivalent Industrial Zone rules, to improve clarity and provide consistency with the wording of the yard rules within the Business and Residential Zone sections of Chapter 4.</p>	<p><u>Business Zone</u></p> <p>4.12 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>1. Yards</p> <p><i>(a) Yards adjoining the Residential Zone – 1.0 m</i></p> <p><i>(b) Yards adjoining the rail corridor – 4.0 m</i></p> <p><u>Industrial Zone</u></p> <p>4.17 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>1. Yards</p> <p><i>(a) For any site that shares a boundary with a Residential Zone, a minimum 1 m yard is required from the shared boundary.</i></p> <p><i>(b) For any site that adjoins the rail corridor, a minimum 4.0m yard setback is required from the shared boundary.</i></p> <p><i>(a) Yards adjoining the Residential Zone – 1.0 m</i></p> <p><i>(b) Yards adjoining the rail corridor – 4.0 m</i></p>
1-10	<p><i>Yard setbacks for containers in the Business Zone and Open Space Zone</i></p> <p>Rule: 4.12.1 and 4.21.x</p>	<p>The siting of containers under the Inoperative District Plan was a restricted discretionary activity where a container could be viewed from an adjoining property in separate ownership; or any road providing access to the property on which the container is sited; or within 500 m of a Strategic arterial or district arterial road where the container would be visible from the road. The rule captured all zones except for the Industrial Zone that was explicitly exempt.</p> <p>As part of the District Plan Review explicit permitted activity rules were included for the siting of containers in the Residential zone:</p>	<p><u>Business Zone</u></p> <p>4.12 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>1. Yards</p> <p><i>(a) Yards adjoining the Residential Zone – 1.0 m.</i></p> <p><i>(b) Yards adjoining the rail corridor – 4.0 m</i></p> <p><i>(c) Within 20 m of a Residential Zone:</i></p> <p><i>(a)(i) The maximum gross floor area of any principal building shall not exceed</i></p>

		<p><i>3. Yards</i></p> <p><i>(b) In Residential 1A, 1H, 2 and 3 Zones, any accessory building or container shall not be sited closer to the road frontage than the dwelling. [...]</i></p> <p><i>(c) In Residential 1, 1A, 1H, 2 and 3 Zones, any container shall not be visible from any public road; [...]</i></p> <p>No explicit rules for containers are included in the Business or Open Space Zone rules. Within Business 1, 1A, 1H and Queen Mary Hospital Heritage Zones any activity not listed as any other activity class is permitted, provided it complies with the standards for permitted activities. Because there are no rules for containers, there are no controls on where a container can be sited. In the Business 2 and Open Space Zones, the siting of a container would only be a permitted activity where it is ancillary to a permitted activity. Again there are no controls on where a container can be sited.</p> <p>A high degree of visual amenity is anticipated in the Residential Zone and control on the siting of containers is intended to maintain this. Conversely, a lower degree of visual amenity is anticipated in the Industrial Zone due to the nature of land use in this zone, and so no control on the siting of containers is included.</p> <p>In terms of the Business Zone, many townships in the District rely on passing traffic along State Highway 1 or 7. Here an assumption is made that a business area with a high degree of visual amenity is more likely to entice people to stop, look around and spend money, contributing to the vitality and vibrancy of these small town centres as sought by Policy 4.13. On this basis it is considered the maintenance of visual amenity in the Business Zones is important, and it is therefore considered appropriate to re-insert rules for the siting of containers in the Business Zone to achieve Objective 4 of the Plan.</p> <p>Objective 4</p> <p><i>Adaptive, vibrant and healthy settlements that meet the economic, social and cultural needs of the district and North Canterbury; while retaining their own character, environmental quality and sense of community.</i></p> <p>In terms of the Open Space Zone, these sites are characterised by low levels of development and generally provide for reserve space or community or recreational activities and facilities. Like the Residential and Business Zones, a high degree of visual amenity is anticipated. The reinsertion of control on the siting of containers, with regards to visibility from the road, is considered appropriate to achieve Policy 4.20 in terms of maintaining and enhancing amenity values of these sites.</p> <p>Policy 4.20</p> <p><i>To provide for open space zones to meet recreational requirements within settlements, which maintain and enhance amenity values and provide connectivity and public access.</i></p> <p>This amendment proposes to re-instate permitted activity rules for the siting of containers within the Business Zone and Open Space Zone.</p>	<p>400 m²;</p> <p>(b)(ii) <i>The gross floor area of any principal building and accessory buildings shall not exceed 450 m²;</i></p> <p>(c)(iii) <i>The maximum length of any building or roof ridgeline shall be 20 m; and</i></p> <p>(d)(iv) <i>The maximum height of any fencing shall be 2 m.</i></p> <p>(e)(v) <i>In the Queen Mary Hospital Heritage zone, there shall be no minimum area requirement for dwelling units contained within buildings existing on the site at 4 May 2013.</i></p> <p><u><i>(d) Containers shall not be sited closer to the road frontage than the principal building; and</i></u></p> <p><u><i>(e) Containers shall not be visible from any public road.</i></u></p> <p><u>Open Space Zone</u></p> <p>4.21 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>12. Containers</p> <p><u><i>(a) Containers shall not be visible from any public road.</i></u></p>
1-11	<p><i>Business Zone dwellings and frost fans</i></p> <p>Missing rule</p>	<p>Rule 4.12.14 provides for the construction of dwellings within the Business 1 Zone as a permitted activity, subject to meeting a minimum area requirement.</p> <p>In using the Operative District Plan, Officers have identified a gap in the rules where business zoned land is located within a 1000 m radius of an existing frost fan. There is no rule requiring acoustic insulation.</p> <p>Rules apply in both the Rural Zone (Rule 3.4.3.22) and Residential Zone (Rule 4.6.18) which require such acoustic insulation, but there is no equivalent rule for the Business Zone. Under</p>	<p>4.12 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>14. Dwellings</p> <p><i>(a) The dwelling is not erected in the Business 1A, 1H or 2 Zones; and</i></p> <p><i>(b) The minimum area requirement for dwelling units in the Business 1 Zone shall be one dwelling per 250 m²; and</i></p> <p><small>Note: This rule does not apply to any alteration, extension to or replacement of an existing dwelling in the Business Zone, provided the number of dwellings on the site does not increase.</small></p> <p><u><i>(c) Any new dwelling located on a separate lot under different ownership within</i></u></p>

		<p>the Inoperative District Plan a rule in the Environmental Amenity chapter required acoustic insulation for all dwellings built within a 1000 m radius of a frost fan, regardless of zoning.</p> <p>This omission predominately affects an area of business-zoned land within the Waipara Settlement Area. At present dwellings can be constructed on these sites without resource consent and with no requirement for acoustic insulation. This risks reverse sensitivity effects arising in terms of noise effects from the frost fans and does not achieve the following objectives and policies of the Operative District Plan:</p> <p>Objective 3.2</p> <p><i>Rural areas are managed so that primary production activities are able to be carried out efficiently and effectively.</i></p> <p>Policy 3.6</p> <p><i>To manage potential conflict between incompatible activities in the rural environment so that:</i></p> <p><i>2. The continued use and development of existing primary production activities, rural based industrial activities and other activities that have functional or locational need to locate in the Rural Zone are not unreasonably inhibited by the establishment of new sensitive activities.</i></p> <p>Objective 4</p> <p><i>Adaptive, vibrant and healthy settlements that meet the economic, social and cultural needs of the district and North Canterbury; while retaining their own character, environmental quality and sense of community.</i></p> <p>Policy 4.3</p> <p><i>To recognise that in the district, specific zones cannot be completely discrete in what they contain. Potentially conflicting activities are managed to ensure environmental standards, character and amenity values are maintained while not diminishing the value or detracting from the primary purpose of the zone.</i></p> <p>Policy 4.6</p> <p><i>To control site-specific environmental effects, such as noise emissions, light spill and traffic generation, to levels appropriate to the zone.</i></p> <p>This amendment proposes to reintroduce a requirement for acoustic insulation where a dwelling is constructed in the Business 1 Zone within 1000 m radius of any frost fan.</p>	<p><u>1000 m of any frost control fan must comply with the requirements of Rule 4.6.18(a).</u></p>
1-12	<p><i>Land use rules for multiple unit dwellings</i></p> <p>Missing rules</p>	<p>Plan Change 28 (PC28) introduced specific rules for multiple unit dwellings into the Inoperative District Plan. These rules became operative on 10 May 2012, providing new land use and subdivision rules to provide for the development of multiple unit dwellings within the Business Zone at Hanmer Springs as a discretionary activity, subject to specific standards and terms.</p> <p>Officers have identified that the subdivision rules were carried over to the Operative District Plan, but other than assessment criteria, the land use rules have not. This omission means the construction of multiple unit dwellings reverts to a non-complying activity status, rather than a discretionary activity with clear standards and terms as intended by PC28. This was not an intentional omission. The absence of land use rules means the construction of multiple use dwellings is not managed in an efficient or effective manner to achieve Objectives 4, 4.1 and Policy 4.11:</p> <p>Policy 4.11</p> <p><i>To provide for high-density residential developments in close proximity to the town centres or</i></p>	<p>4.14 Discretionary activities</p> <p>5. <u>Multiple unit dwellings in the Business 1H Zone:</u></p> <p><u>Standards and terms</u></p> <p>(a) <u>The maximum residential floor area ratio for residential activity on the site on which the multiple unit dwellings are proposed shall be 0.8.</u></p> <p>(b) <u>The maximum number of adjoining dwelling units shall be:</u></p> <p>(i) <u>3 units if the building is 3 stories high</u></p> <p>(ii) <u>4 units if the building is 2 stories high</u></p>  <p><u>Figure 4.1 – Diagram of adjoining dwelling units.</u></p>

		<p><i>Hanmer Springs and Amberley, provided such developments are designed to maintain a sense of spaciousness and greenery, and are undertaken in accordance with an approved concept plan.</i></p> <p>Non-complying activity status is not considered an appropriate activity classification for this type of activity. Non-complying activity status is usually reserved for activities not envisaged by the Plan, but the inclusion of a discretionary subdivision rule indicates the intention for continued development of multiple unit dwellings under the Operative District Plan.</p> <p>This amendment proposes to introduce discretionary and non-complying land use activity rules for multiple unit dwellings to the Business Zone rules in the Settlement Chapter as per the rules introduced under PC28.</p>	<p><i>(c) The maximum length of any external wall shall be as follows:</i></p> <p><i>(i) 30 metres if the building is 4 units</i></p> <p><i>(ii) 24 metres if the building is 3 units</i></p> <p><i>(d) A minimum outdoor living area of 10m² in a continuous space shall be provided per dwelling unit and must be directly accessible from the internal living area.</i></p> <p><i>(e) Where the development has a street frontage to Amuri Avenue, Conical Hill Road, Jacks Pass Road or Jollies Pass Road, a minimum of 50% of the ground floor area(s) shall be for business use. The business component shall be directly accessible from the street.</i></p> <p>4.15 Non-complying activities</p> <p><i>2. Any activity listed below is a non-complying activity in the Business 1A and 1H Zones:</i></p> <p><i>(e) Multiple unit dwellings in the Business 1H Zone which do not meet the standards and terms of Rule 4.14.5</i></p>
1-13	<p><i>Signs attached to historic buildings within the Queen Mary Historic Hospital Zone</i></p> <p>Rule: 4.14.2(c)</p>	<p>Rule 4.12.2 lists discretionary activities within the Queen Mary Hospital Heritage Zone. Most of the buildings within the Queen Mary Heritage Zone are listed in Schedule 14.1 – historic buildings and structures. The note below this set of rules recognises this, alerting plan users that alterations and modifications (other than minor works), including signs attached or affixed to buildings listed in Schedule 14.1 will require a resource consent under Rule 14.4.4.</p> <p>The note references Rule 14.4.4 which is a controlled activity rule for <i>alterations and additions, and partial demolition, where the works are for the primary purpose of implementing seismic, fire or access building code upgrades, to a building or structure listed in Schedule 14.1.</i> Reference to this rule is too specific and does not recognise the activity standards for other types of works to heritage buildings and structures. This amendment proposes removing specific reference to Rule 14.4.4 and providing a general reference to the provisions in Chapter 14.</p> <p>This amendment also proposes changing references to ‘minor works’ to ‘repairs and maintenance’ to be consistent with permitted activity rule 14.4.3.1 which limits alterations and additions to repairs and maintenance.</p> <p>To avoid confusion, this amendment proposes removing the reference to Rule 14.4.3.1 in Rule 4.12.2(c). It is considered the reference unnecessarily duplicates the note. The note is considered effective to communicate to plan users that resource consent may be required under the provisions of Chapter 14.</p>	<p>4.14 Discretionary activities</p> <p>1. [...]</p> <p>2. Any activity listed below is a discretionary activity in the Queen Mary Hospital Heritage Zone:</p> <p>(a) [...]</p> <p>(b) The relocation of any building, or the erection of any new building within the zone, or any alterations or modifications (other than minor works) to buildings within the Zone that are not listed in Schedule 14.1 – Historic buildings and structures.</p> <p>(c) Any sign attached or affixed to a building within the zone that is not listed in Schedule 14.1 – Historic buildings and structures. (For signs attached or affixed to scheduled heritage resources within the zone, Rule 14.4.3.1 applies).</p> <p><i>Note: Alterations or modifications (other than minor works repairs and maintenance), including signs attached or affixed to buildings listed in Schedule 14.1 – Historic buildings and structures will require a resource consent under Rule 14.4.4 under provisions in Chapter 14.</i></p>
1-14	<p><i>Maximum site coverage in Hanmer Settlement Area</i></p> <p>Rule: 4.6.19(c)</p>	<p>The Operative District Plan includes design standards for the Hanmer Basin. The purpose of the design standards is to enhance and maintain the alpine character of the Basin. In the Residential Zone, the permitted activity standards apply in the Hanmer Settlement Area unless superseded by a Hanmer Springs specific rule listed in 4.6.19.</p> <p>Rule 4.6.2 sets the site coverage provisions for the Residential Zone and includes a site coverage requirement for Residential 1 Hanmer Springs sites of 35%. Therefore, having site coverage provisions in the Hanmer Design Standards is duplicative.</p> <p>In addition, there is Residential 3 zoned land within the Hanmer Springs Residential Zone. Rule 4.6.2 provides a site coverage requirement of 20% for Residential 3 land. Residential 3 is a rural lifestyle zoning, where larger lots of lower density of development are expected – as indicated by the minimum site area and site coverage rules.</p> <p>Rule 4.6.19(c) applies to the Hanmer Basin and trumps the general site coverage rules in 4.6.2. It provides for a higher site coverage, which would also apply to the Residential 3 zone, of</p>	<p>4.6 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>19. Hanmer Springs Design Standards</p> <p><i>(c) Maximum site coverage — 35% of the site. Except in the St James Estate residential area, where the maximum coverage by buildings shall be: [...]</i></p>

		<p>35%. This has consequences for the density of future development within the Hanmer Springs Residential 3 zoned land, and may result in development of this land at a density that does not appear to have been intentionally increased. This is not considered consistent with the policy direction of Policy 4.12:</p> <p>Policy 4.12</p> <p><i>To provide for a low density residential environment at the outer edges of larger settlements, with single, detached dwellings on large allotments.</i></p> <p>This amendment proposes to remove the reference to 35% site coverage in Rule 4.6.19(c). This amendment will remove the duplication and ensure the Residential 3 zoned land within the Hanmer Springs Settlement Area is developed to the appropriate density intended for a rural-residential zone. The amendment will retain the site-specific coverage requirements for the St James Estate residential area.</p>	
1-15	<p><i>Roof pitch in Hanmer Springs</i></p> <p>Rule: 4.6.19(f), 4.6.19(j) and 4.12.16(c)(i)</p>	<p>The Hanmer Springs Design Standards provide additional design requirements for buildings within the Hanmer Basin. The purpose of the design standards are to achieve the following objectives and policies of the District Plan in relation to Hanmer Springs:</p> <p>Objective 4.1</p> <p><i>The protection and enhancement of the special qualities of the Hanmer Basin.</i></p> <p>Policy 4.21</p> <p><i>To ensure all residential and business developments are designed to maintain or enhance the amenity values and alpine character of the Hamer Springs Township.</i></p> <p>Policy 4.22</p> <p><i>To recognise and promote the alpine village character of the township and the heritage values of the older part of the village.</i></p> <p>One of the design standards specifies a minimum roof pitch for principal buildings. This rule has been transferred directly from the Inoperative District Plan into the Operative District Plan. Under both plans the rule is intended to apply to residential dwellings, and this is how the resource consent planners apply this rule. However the definition of principal building in both plans specifically excludes residential dwellings:</p> <p>The definition of principal building means <i>the building in which the main activity on the site occurs. It includes industrial or trade premises, but excludes residential dwellings, and accessory buildings (such as sheds, garages, and farm barns), and utility buildings of less than 50m² in gross floor area.</i></p> <p>This indicates an unintended gap in the rules. If the roof pitch rule is not applied to residential dwellings this would not maintain or enhance the alpine village character of the Basin, and so the rule as currently written is not appropriate to achieve the objectives and policies of the Operative District Plan.</p> <p>This amendment proposes adding specific reference to 'dwelling' in the roof pitch rules to make clear residential dwellings are captured by this rule.</p>	<p><u>Residential Zone</u></p> <p>4.6 Standards for permitted activity</p> <p>19. <i>Hanmer Springs Design Standards</i></p> <p>(f) <i>Roof pitch (excludes Old Town area)</i></p> <p>(i) <i>80% of the roof area of the <u>dwelling or</u> principal building shall have a pitch of at least 25 degrees.</i></p> <p>(j) <i>In the Old Town area, the following additional or replacement design standards all apply:</i></p> <p>(i) <i>Roof pitch:</i></p> <p>- <i>80% of the roof area of the <u>dwelling or</u> principal building shall have a pitch of at least 25 degrees; and [...]</i></p> <p><u>Business Zone</u></p> <p>4.12 Standards for permitted activity</p> <p>16. <i>Additional Design Standards for Business 1H Zone</i></p> <p>(c) <i>Roof pitch (excluding Old Town area):</i></p> <p>(i) <i>80% of the roof area of the <u>dwelling or</u> principal building shall have a pitch of at least 25 degrees; and [...]</i></p>
1-16	<p><i>Old Town design standards in the Business Zone</i></p> <p>Missing rule</p>	<p>A number of sites within the Hanmer Springs Business Zone are identified within the Old Town design standards area on Map 1c. The Residential Zone rules contain specific design standards for the Old Town area, however, there are no specific Old Town design standard rules within the Business Zone rules.</p> <p>This has likely occurred as a result of how the zones were restructured into the Operative</p>	<p>4.12 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>16. <i>Additional Design Standards for Business 1H Zone</i></p> <p><u>(k) In the Old Town area, the following additional or replacement design standards shall apply:</u></p> <p><u>(i) Roof Pitch</u></p>

		<p>District Plan. The rules for the Old Town have been transferred to the Residential Zone, but not the Business Zone, despite there being business-zoned sites mapped within the Old Town design standards area. The area mapped within the Old Town design standards for the Operative District Plan has not been altered from that mapped for the Inoperative District Plan. The absence of these design standards is not considered efficient or effective at achieving the objectives and policies of the Operative District Plan:</p> <p>Objective 4.1 <i>The protection and enhancement of the special qualities of the Hanmer Basin.</i></p> <p>Policy 4.22 <i>To recognise and promote the alpine character of the township and the heritage values of the older part of the village.</i></p> <p>Policy 4.23 <i>To ensure that the individual character areas of the Hanmer Springs Township, as defined by the community, are maintained and enhanced through the design standards listed in the District Plan.</i></p> <p>This amendment proposes re-instating the specific Old Town Design standards into the Business Zone rules. This will ensure any future development on these sites continues to maintain and enhance the alpine character of the Old Town area.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>80% of the roof area of the principal building shall have a pitch of at least 20 degrees; and</u> - <u>Accessory buildings shall have a roof pitch of at least 20 degrees;</u> (ii) <u>The exterior cladding of the building shall be confined to the following materials:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>At least 70% of the exterior cladding of the building shall comprise natural unpainted timber (including logs), painted timber weatherboard or painted fibre cement weatherboard; and</u> - <u>The exterior cladding on the remainder of the building shall be boulders or large stones, cob (adobe blocks or rammed earth) and/or brick;</u> (iii) <u>Colour:</u> <u>Wall, roof and trim colours shall be limited to the colours specified under Rule (h), but may also use:</u> <u>Walls:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>08D41, 14C35;</u> <u>Roof and trim:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>04D44, 04D45, 04E53, 04E55, 04E56, 04E58, 06A11, 18E58;</u> - <u>Colorsteel®: Maple; Pioneer Red;</u> - <u>ColorCote®: Pioneer Red; Coral Red; Grey Flannel;</u> <u>Trim:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>04E53, 08B25, 12B27, 20C40, 22C40;</u> - <u>"Dulux Powder Coatings": Salsa; Slate Blue; and</u> - <u>"Ameron": Navy; Red;</u>
1-17	St James Estate Missing rules	<p>This amendment proposes moving Rule 4.6.19(i)(v) so it is clear this rule applies to all the development areas within St James Estate, not just Area C(1 and 2). The setback is shown on Appendix 5.1.1 and clearly applies to Area A and B too. Moving this rule provides more efficient and effective plan administration by making it clear the rule is applicable to all areas within the St James Estate Outline Development Zone.</p>	<p>4.6 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>19. Hanmer Springs</p> <p><i>Within the Residential Zones of Hanmer Springs Rules 4.5 and 4.6.1 to 4.6.18 apply, unless superseded by a rule listed in 4.6.19</i></p> <p>(i) <i>St James Estate residential area:</i></p> <p>(i) <u>[... see amendment 1-4]</u></p> <p>(ii) <u>No building shall be erected in the area marked 'building setback' on Appendix 5.1.1.</u></p> <p><i>In Area C on the St James Estate Outline Development Plan at Appendix 5.1.1:</i></p> <p>(i)(iii) [...]</p> <p>(ii)(iv) [...]</p> <p>(iii)(v) [...]</p> <p>(iv)(vi) [...]</p> <p>(v) In the St James Estate residential area, no building shall be erected in the area marked 'Building Setback' in Appendix 5.1.1 Outline Development Plan 1—St James Estate.</p>

<p>1-18</p> <p><i>Woodbank (South) Business Park Area</i></p> <p>Rule: 4.12.17(c) and Appendix 5.1.12</p>	<p>The Woodbank (South) land is located at the southern end of the Hanmer Springs Settlement Area. The Hanmer Springs Waste Water Treatment Ponds ('the Ponds') adjoins the southern boundary of the Woodbank (South) land. Both the Inoperative and Operative District Plans include a rule that requires a 500 m setback between new sensitive activities and existing sewage treatment facilities. Areas within the development will not be able to meet this setback from the Ponds.</p> <p>The plan change application included an odour assessment completed by Golder Associates. This report was peer reviewed by Specialist Environmental Services. The conclusions of both reports recommend business activities located less than 200 m from the Ponds should be considered on a case by case basis through the resource consent process. This is consistent with the annotation on Appendix 5.1.12.</p> <p>Rule 4.12.17(c) provides for any building within the Business Park Area located more than 250 m from the Hanmer Springs Waste Water Treatment Ponds ('the Ponds') as a permitted activity. Any development within this distance is a discretionary activity under Rule 4.14.3. However, an annotation on the Outline Development Plan for the Woodbank (South) Development in Appendix 5.1.12 conflicts this, stating <i>all business activity within 200m setback of the treatment ponds is a discretionary activity</i>.</p> <p>When the proposal to incorporate the private plan change for the Woodbank (South) development into the District Plan review process was initially presented to the Council, the Councillors voted not to adopt it into the District Plan review process, due to concerns about reverse sensitivity effects because of the proximity of the development to the Ponds. Subsequently the developer, Macquarrie Holdings, came back and presented two alternative schemes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) A scheme with increased setbacks from the Ponds. This included providing for all business activity within 250 m of the boundary of Ponds as a discretionary activity. 2) A requirement for all development to be setback 500 m from the Ponds as per the rule for separation distances between sewerage activities and sensitive activities. <p>The Council agreed in principal with the first alternative scheme and voted to incorporate the private plan change into the District Plan review process. The Woodbank (South) provisions were not changed as a result of submissions during the review process. Therefore, it appears the outline development plan ultimately incorporated into the Operative District Plan as Appendix 5.1.12 was not updated to reflect the rules incorporated into the Settlements Chapter as a result of this decision.</p> <p>This amendment proposes amending the annotation on Appendix 5.1.12 so the settlement rules, Rule 4.12.17(c) and 4.14.3 and Appendix 5.1.12 are consistent. This amendment will ensure effective and efficient plan administration in terms of development within the Woodbank (South) Business Park Area.</p>	<p>Appendix 5.1.12 Outline Development Plan for Woodbank (South) Zone</p>  <p><i>All business activity within 200m 250 m setback of the treatment ponds is a discretionary activity.</i></p>
<p>1-19</p> <p><i>Woodbank (South) Business Area</i></p> <p>Rule: 4.12.17(a) and 4.15.5</p>	<p>The Woodbank (South) Outline Development Zone (ODZ) was initiated as a private plan change request to rezone a 32.6ha block of rural land to a mix of Residential, Business and Open Space zoning. The private plan change was incorporated into the District Plan review process and ultimately approved. Rules for the Woodbank (South) ODZ were inserted into the both the subdivision and settlements chapter. One land use rule for the Woodbank (South) Business Park Area is a minimum floor area requirement. However, due to a drafting error the Operative District Plan includes both a permitted activity rule and a non-complying activity rule for a minimum floor area requirement:</p> <p>4.12 Standards for permitted activities</p>	<p>4.12 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>17. <i>Additional design standards for Woodbank (South) Business <u>Park</u> Area:</i></p> <p><i>In addition to all other Business Zone rules (including 4.12.16) any building in the Woodbank (South) Business <u>Park</u> Area shall comply with:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) <i>In the Hanmer Springs Woodbank (South) Business <u>Zone Park Area</u> any retail tenancy shall have with a floor area less than 450 m² or larger.</i> (b) <i>Within the <u>Business-Zone</u> Woodbank (South) <u>Business Park Area</u> all buildings and off-street car parking must be located in the area identified as business activity and building setback on the Outline Development Plan <u>for</u> Woodbank</i>

	<p>(a) <i>In the Hanmer Springs Woodbank (South) Business Zone any retail tenancy with a floor area less than 450m².</i></p> <p>4.15 Non-complying activities</p> <p>5. <i>Any retail activity located within the Woodbank (South) Business Area with all floor area less than 450m².</i></p> <p>This is confusing for all plan users as to what the intention is and how these activities should be managed. This was not intentional and the current rules do not provide effective or efficient plan administration by specifying the same activity twice.</p> <p>The Operative District Plan includes the following assessment criteria in Rule 4.24.17(d) specific to the Woodbank (South) Business Park Area:</p> <p><i>In addition to the general assessment matters in Rule 4.24 the following shall be considered in the assessment of any resource consent for retail activities with a floor area less than 450m².</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) <i>The impact on the viability, amenity and character of the Hanmer Springs township business area.</i> (ii) <i>The extent to which the activity is likely to have an adverse effect on the road network.</i> (iii) <i>The extent to which the activity is likely to be incompatible with existing or permitted activities.</i> (iv) <i>That produces effects produces effects permitted by the zone and the potential for reverse sensitivity effects.</i> (v) <i>Whether the owners of the site have registered a 'no complaints' covenant relating to odour on the Computer Free Hold Register (certificate of title) that is satisfactory to the Chief Executive of the Hurunui District Council.</i> <p>The assessment criteria confirm the intention to locate large format retail and light industrial business within the Woodbank (South) Business Park Area. The intent of specifying a minimum floor area is to discourage small retail businesses from establishing within the Business Park Area, as these could threaten the vitality and viability of the established business area within the Hanmer Springs town centre. Discouraging smaller retail activities from out-of-centre locations is also a common approach to that taken in other district plans. Therefore, a non-complying activity rule is appropriate as this activity status is generally reserved for activities the Plan does not envisage will occur.</p> <p>This amendment proposes amending the permitted activity rule, 4.12.17(a) to provide for retail activities with a floor area of 450 m² or larger, retaining the non-complying activity rule for retail activities with a floor area of less than 450 m².</p> <p>This amendment also proposes ancillary minor wording amendments to ensure the Woodbank (South) Business Park Area and Hanmer Springs Waste Water Treatment Ponds are referred to in a consistent manner throughout the Operative District Plan provisions. Ancillary minor wording amendments are also proposed to ensure the rule is clear about where the setback in rules 4.12.17(c) and 4.14.3 is taken from: the boundary of the Ponds. This will ensure consistency between the Residential and Business Zone rules relating to the Woodbank (South) ODZ.</p>	<p>(South) = Appendix 5.1.12.</p> <p>(c) <i>Any building within the Woodbank (South) Business Park Area shall be located a minimum of 250 m from the <u>boundary of the Hanmer Springs Waste Water Treatment Plant Retention Ponds.</u></i></p> <p>4.14 Discretionary activities</p> <p>3. <i>All business activities in the Woodbank (South) Business Park Area that are <u>located within 250 m of the boundary of the Hanmer Springs Waste Water Treatment Plant Ponds.</u></i></p> <p>4.15 Non-complying activities</p> <p>5. <i>Any retail activity located within the Woodbank (South) Business <u>Park Area shall have a with all</u> floor area less than 450 m².</i></p> <p>4.24 Assessment criteria – applicable to all zones</p> <p>17. Hanmer Basin (d) Woodbank (South) Business <u>Park Area</u> [...]</p>
1-20	<p><i>Demolished Buildings</i></p> <p>Missing rule</p> <p>The Inoperative District Plan included a permitted activity standard that required the removal of all material from demolished and partly demolished buildings from a site within two months of the demolition works being completed. This rule applied to all sites regardless of zoning.</p> <p>In the Operative District Plan this rule has been included for all zones except the Industrial</p>	<p>4.21 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>13. <u>Demolished buildings</u></p> <p><i>All material from demolished or partly demolished buildings, from the demolition of a building on the site or material brought onto the site, shall be removed from a site within 2 months of the demolition being completed or the material being brought</i></p>

		<p>and Open Space Zones. Background documents from the review indicate it was intentional to not include a rule for the Industrial Zone. However, there is no background to suggest it was a deliberate decision to not include this rule in the Open Space Zone. It is considered this likely occurred as a result of how the zones were restructured in the Operative District Plan. This appears to be a case where a rule previously applicable to all zones has not been inserted into the rules for all the new zones.</p> <p>The absence of this rule means there is no control within the Open Space Zone on how long demolished material can stay on a site. This is not considered effective to achieve the objectives of the plan, particularly with regards to environmental amenity given the high levels of visual amenity expected within the Open Space Zone.</p> <p>This amendment proposes re-instating a rule for demolished buildings into the Open Space Zone rule provisions.</p>	<p><u>onto the site.</u></p>
1-21	<p><i>Hanmer Design standards in Open Space Zone</i></p> <p>Missing rule</p>	<p>The Inoperative District Plan included design standards for non-residential principal buildings that were applicable within the Hanmer Basin Management Area (excluding the Queen Mary Hospital Heritage zone). The rule required non-residential principal buildings to comply with the rules for window orientation, maximum site coverage, roof pitch, external cladding and colour.</p> <p>Map 1c of the Operative District Plan includes the open space zones within the 'general' Hanmer Springs design standard area. However, the Operative District Plan does not include any design standards within the Open Space Zone rules for buildings within the Hanmer Springs Settlement Area. This means that no design requirements can be imposed on new buildings within the Open Space Zone in Hanmer Springs. The absence of design standards for the Open Space Zone is considered inconsistent with the application of the Hanmer Springs Design Standards within the other zones. All buildings in the other zones within the Hanmer Basin Management Area are required to comply with the Design Standards, including the Industrial Zone where a lower degree of visual amenity is anticipated.</p> <p>Due to the nature of the use of land within the Open Space Zone, very little built development is anticipated. However, this means any buildings constructed would likely be prominent within the receiving environment. The absence of design standards in the Open Space Zone is therefore not considered effective to achieve the objectives and policies of the Operative District Plan:</p> <p>Objective 4.1</p> <p><i>The protection and enhancement of the special qualities of the Hanmer Basin.</i></p> <p>Policy 4.20</p> <p><i>To provide for open space zones to meet recreational requirements within settlements, which maintain and enhance amenity values and provide connectivity and public access.</i></p> <p>Policy 4.22</p> <p><i>To recognise and promote the alpine village character of the township and the heritage values of the older part of the village.</i></p> <p>This amendment proposes the insertion of a new rule to the Open Space Zone rules for design standards for buildings constructed in the Open Space Zone within the Hanmer Springs Settlement Zone. This amendment will largely re-instate the relevant requirements of the Inoperative District Plan and provide consistent application of the Design Standard rules in all zones within the Hanmer Basin Management Area.</p>	<p>4.21 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>14. <u>Additional Design Standards for Hanmer Springs</u></p> <p><u>In addition to all other Open Space rules, any building in the Hanmer Springs Settlement Area shall comply with:</u></p> <p><u>(a) Window orientation: at least 60% of the total area of windows on each building elevation shall comprise window panes each of which has minimum vertical to horizontal dimensions of 2 to 1, or window frames with minimum vertical to horizontal dimensions of 2 to 1.</u></p> <p><u>(b) Roof pitch:</u></p> <p><u>(i) 80% of the roof area of the principal building shall have a pitch of at least 25 degrees;</u></p> <p><u>(ii) Accessory buildings shall have a roof pitch of at least 20 degrees.</u></p> <p><u>(c) Cladding material (excluding Old Town area):</u></p> <p><u>At least 70% of the exterior cladding of the building shall comprise one or more of the following materials:</u></p> <p><u>(i) Natural unpainted timber.</u></p> <p><u>(ii) Painted timber or fibre cement weatherboard.</u></p> <p><u>(iii) Boulders or large stones</u></p> <p><u>(iv) Cob (adobe blocks or rammed earth)</u></p> <p><u>(v) Timber battens fixed over plywood or cement board sheets, provided that:</u></p> <p><u>- The battens are laid vertically; and</u></p> <p><u>- The batten size is 75 mm wide by 25 mm deep;</u></p> <p><u>- The battens are placed at 200 mm centres;</u></p> <p><u>- The battens and plywood or cement board sheets are painted or stained in accordance with Rule 4.6.19(h); and</u></p> <p><u>(vi) Shiplap of the minimum dimensions of 150 mm x 25 mm and the maximum dimensions of 200 mm x 25 mm;</u></p> <p><u>(vii) Rusticated cement weatherboard, "Triclad" weatherboard or boards of equivalent profile, provided that the maximum exposure of each weatherboard is 175 mm or less;</u></p> <p><u>(viii) "Frontier" weatherboard, or a board of equivalent profile, with a maximum visible exposure of 200 mm;</u></p>

Chapter 5 - Subdivision

Amendment	Topic & plan provision	Explanation of amendment	Proposed amendments												
1-22	<p><i>Minimum lot area Residential 1 and 1A Zones</i></p> <p>Rule: 5.5.9.1</p>	<p>As discussed in amendment 4-1 minimum area requirements in the land use and subdivision chapters of the Operative District Plan do not align. Amendment 4-1 outlined the changes required to the Settlement chapter rules. This amendment proposes associated changes to the subdivision rules.</p> <p>This amendment proposes to amend Rule 5.5.9.1 to separate Residential 1 and Residential 1A into separate rows of the table and remove the minimum average lot area provision for Residential 1. This amendment also proposes alterations to the Residential 1H lot areas to reflect those from the Inoperative District Plan. These alterations align Residential 1, Residential 1A and Residential 1H subdivision minimum lot areas with the Settlement rules as per amendment 1-4.</p>	<p>5.5 Part B – Rules for Subdivision in all Other Zones</p> <p>5.5.9 Standards for controlled activities</p> <p>1. Lot sizes</p> <p><i>The minimum allotment area requirements for the subdivision of land are to be calculated on the net allotment area (exclusive of any access) as follows:</i></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Zone or management area</th> <th>Minimum lot area</th> <th>Minimum average lot area</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Residential 1, and Residential 1A including any proposed lots adjoining the area shown in Appendix 5.1.11 as "Exception Area"</td> <td>400 m² 700 m²</td> <td>700 m²</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Residential 1A including any proposed lots adjoining the area shown in Appendix 5.1.11 as "Exception Area"</td> <td>400 m²</td> <td>700 m²</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Residential 1H</td> <td>500 m² 400 m²</td> <td>500 m²</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Zone or management area	Minimum lot area	Minimum average lot area	Residential 1, and Residential 1A including any proposed lots adjoining the area shown in Appendix 5.1.11 as "Exception Area"	400 m² 700 m²	700 m²	Residential 1A including any proposed lots adjoining the area shown in Appendix 5.1.11 as "Exception Area"	400 m²	700 m²	Residential 1H	500 m ² 400 m ²	500 m ²
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1-23	<p><i>Shape factor requirement for subdivision down to 5000m²</i></p> <p>Rule: 5.4.5.1</p>	<p>Rule 5.4.5.1 provides for subdivision down to 5000 m² in the Rural Zone as a discretionary activity provided the proposal complies with the controlled activity standards, except for minimum allotment area requirements. The intention of this rule is to provide flexibility to rural landowners and to help ensure new lots do not reduce available productive land while maintaining a predominance of farmland over buildings.</p> <p>Controlled activity standard 5.4.2.1(a) sets a minimum shape factor requirement for allotments to be able to contain a square measuring 75 m x 75 m. This automatically means any allotment less than 5,625 m² proposed as part of a subdivision under Rule 5.4.5.1 does not comply and the subdivision becomes a non-complying activity under Rule 5.4.6.1.</p> <p>This was not the intention of the rule, which is clearly intended to provide for subdivision of undersized lots down to 5000 m² as a discretionary activity. Therefore, the rule as currently written does not manage development of these sites in an efficient or effective way, and renders Rule 5.4.5.1 redundant.</p> <p>This amendment proposes to create an exemption under Rule 5.4.5.1(c). This exemption will enable proposed lots of 1ha or less to be exempt from Rule 5.4.2.1(a) and instead comply with a shape factor requirement of 70 m x 70 m.</p> <p>It is accepted that selecting an appropriate shape factor requirement is somewhat subjective. The figures proposed have been chosen to keep the rule simple by using whole, rounded numbers. In addition the visual amenity effects of a 70 m x 70 m square are considered to be similar to those of a 75 m x 75 m square.</p>	<p>5.4.5 Discretionary activities</p> <p>1. The following activities are discretionary activities, provided they meet the relevant standards.</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>(d) The subdivision of land in the Rural Zone (excluding Hanmer Basin Subdivision Management Area, the coastal environment and the Hurunui Lakes area) or within an Outstanding Natural Landscape creating allotments of between 5000 m² and 4 ha.</p> <p>Standards:</p> <p>(i) <u>Unless otherwise specified</u> the subdivision must comply with all the standards specified for controlled activities in Rule 5.4.2 except Rule 5.4.2.4.</p> <p>(a) <u>Any lot created with an area 1 ha or less is exempt from Rule 5.4.2.1 and instead must be able to contain a square measuring 70 m x 70 m clear of any easement or water body.</u></p>												
1-24	<p><i>Concept plan requirement for undersized lots</i></p> <p>Rule: 5.4.5.1(iv)</p>	<p>Rule 5.4.5.1(d) provides for subdivision of allotments in the Rural Zone or within an Outstanding Natural Landscape, of between 5000m² and 4ha, as a discretionary activity, subject to meeting the specific standards. One of these standards, Rule 5.4.5.1(iv), requires submission of a concept plan with the subdivision application. This requirement was introduced as a new provision when the District Plan was reviewed in recognition the</p>	<p>5.4.5 Discretionary activities</p> <p>1. The following activities are discretionary activities, provided they meet the relevant standards.</p> <p>[...]</p>												

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1-25	<p><i>Subdivision in Natural Hazard Areas</i></p> <p>Rules: 5.4.6.2 and 5.5.13.2(g)</p>	<p>Rule 5.4.5.1(b) provides for subdivision of Rural Zone land within a Natural Hazard Area that complies with the standards for controlled activities of Rule 5.4.2, as a discretionary activity. Rule 5.5.12.1(a) provides the same within the Settlement Zones.</p> <p>Rule 5.4.6.2 provides for subdivision in the Rural Zone within a Natural Hazard Area as a non-complying activity. Rule 5.5.13.2(g) provides the same within the Settlement Zones.</p> <p>As currently drafted, the non-complying rules apply to all subdivision in a Natural Hazard Area, not just where the subdivision does not comply with the standards for controlled activities. The effect of this is that subdivision within a Natural Hazard Area will default to a non-complying activity in all cases.</p> <p>Objective 15.1</p> <p><i>Subdivision, use and development of land is enable while avoiding or mitigating the adverse effects of natural hazards.</i></p> <p>The policies supporting Objective 15.1 explain that hazard mapping is based on our best knowledge and is not always comprehensive or certain, as indicated by buffer zones. The policies indicate that with appropriate mitigation measures to manage potential negative effects so that risks from the natural hazard are acceptable, subdivision and subsequent development within these areas can be considered.</p> <p>It is considered a discretionary activity status is the appropriate activity status for considering</p>	<p>5.4.6 Non-complying activities</p> <p><i>The following subdivision is a non-complying activity:</i></p> <p>[...]</p> <p>2. <i>Subdivision of land within a Natural Hazard Area.</i></p> <p>3.2. <i>Subdivision of land within the Coastal Environment [...]</i></p> <p>4.3. <i>Subdivision of land within an area of Outstanding Natural Character [...]</i></p> <p>5.5.13 Non-complying activities</p> <p>2. <i>Subdivision which does not meet any one or more of the following:</i></p> <p>[...]</p> <p>(f) <i>Subdivision which results in any new allotment and/or balance allotment that does not have access to a legal road which is formed and maintained; <u>or</u></i></p> <p>(g) <i>Subdivision of land within a Natural Hazard Area; and</i></p> <p>(h)(g) <i>Any subdivision in the Claverley Comprehensive Development Zone.</i></p>

		<p>whether subdivision should take place on land within a Natural Hazard Area. The objectives and policies indicate that such activities could occur on these sites. Non-complying activity status is generally reserved for activities the Plan does not envisage will occur on the site.</p> <p>This amendment proposes deleting non-complying activity rules 5.4.6.2 and 5.5.13.2(g).</p> <p>Subdivision within Natural Hazard Areas that does not meet the controlled activity standards will still revert to a non-complying activity status, as it will be captured by the non-complying catchall rules 5.4.6.1 and 5.5.13.1.</p>	
1-26	<p><i>St. James Outline Development Zone</i></p> <p>Rule: 5.6.2.3.1</p>	<p>Under the Inoperative District Plan the specific rules for St. James Estate were scattered throughout the subdivision chapter. In the Operative District Plan these rules have been consolidated in one location due to rearrangement of the subdivision chapter as part of the District Plan review. The Operative District Plan separates the rules for Rural, Settlement and Outline Development Zones (ODZs) into three separate sections.</p> <p>Rule 5.6.1 and 5.6.2 set out how ODZs work. Where subdivision is proposed within an ODZ the Plan user first looks at the relevant general subdivision rules in section B, before referring to the rules in 5.6 to see what additional provisions are relevant to the particular ODZ. These may complement the general rules or place a more restrictive activity status on the activity.</p> <p>Separating the provisions for St. James into one consolidated location is effective from a Plan administration point of view, as Plan users do not need to check the whole chapter for provisions relating to the St. James Estate. This move however, has lost some of the context the provisions had when they were imbedded within the Zone rules. For example, the restricted discretionary rule 5.6.2.3 is actually a matter of discretion, but there is no context as to what rule it is a matter of discretion to. The amendments propose minor changes to add this context back in to provide clarity of where the rules sit within the Settlement Zone provisions.</p>	<p>5.6.2.1 Controlled activities</p> <p>1. Unless otherwise specified, the following activities are controlled activities: In addition to the standards for controlled activities in Rule 5.5.9 above, any subdivision within St. James Estate at Hanmer Springs shall comply with all of the following standards:</p> <p>(a) Rule 5.5.9.2 does not apply in Area (C1) of the St James Estate residential area, where allotment widths shall be no less than 12 m and no greater than 18 m, and the allotment depth shall be no less than 20 m.</p> <p>(b) Whether provision is made for roading, open space, and stormwater management in general accordance with the St James Estate Outline Development Plan in Appendix 5.1.1.</p> <p>(b) No allotment shall have legal access to Hanmer Springs Road (SH7A);</p> <p>(c) A maximum of two legal road connections shall be made to Hanmer Springs Road (SH7A). These road connections shall be generally in the locations identified on the Outline Development Plan at Appendix 5.1.1 and must provide a connection to Argelins Road. No more than 100 allotments shall be created before the connection to Argelins Road is operational;</p> <p>(d) A central open space reserve with a minimum area of 7,000 m² shall be provided generally in that location identified on the Outline Development Plan at Appendix 5.1.1;</p> <p>(e) An open space buffer with a minimum width of 20 m shall be provided along the Hanmer Springs Road (SH7A) frontage of the site;</p> <p>(f) An open space reserve with a minimum area of 3 ha shall be provided at the junction of Hanmer Springs Road (SH7A) and Argelins Road;</p> <p>(g) A road connection shall be provided to the property directly to the north of the site and this connection shall link to the central reserve required under clause (d) above and shall be provided generally in that location identified on the Outline Development Plan at Appendix 5.1.1; and</p> <p>(h) A stormwater detention pond providing for a minimum of 13,000 m³ of storage shall be provided generally in that location identified on the Outline Development Plan at Appendix 5.1.1.</p> <p>5.6.2.2 Matters Standards for controlled activities</p> <p>In addition to the controlled activities specified above in Rule 5.6.2.1, any subdivision shall comply with the following standards and terms:</p> <p>(a) No allotment shall have legal access to Hanmer Springs Road (SH7A);</p> <p>(b) A maximum of two legal road connections shall be made to Hanmer Springs Road (SH7A). These road connections shall be generally in the locations identified on the Outline Development Plan at Appendix 5.1.1 and must provide a connection to Argelins Road. No more than 100 allotments shall be created before the connection to Argelins Road is operational;</p>

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Chapter 8 – Transportation

Amendment	Topic & Plan Provision	Explanation of Proposed Amendments	Proposed Amendments									
1-27	<i>Road classification</i> Appendix 8.1	<p>The purpose of Appendix 8.1 is to provide clear information to Plan users about the classification of roads in the district.</p> <p>Amberley Balcairn Road becomes Upper Sefton Road as the road passes through Balcairn, for approximately 1 km before the district boundary with Waimakariri District. This piece of road forms part of the Inland Scenic Route 72. Amberley Balcairn Road is listed in Appendix 8.1 as a district arterial road, while Upper Sefton Road is not explicitly classified. As such, it appears Upper Sefton Road is classified as a local road which is unintended. The full length of the Balcairn Amberley/Upper Sefton Road should be classified as District Arterial.</p> <p>Correct road classification is important as it has implications for other rules, such as building setbacks along rural roads. For example, setbacks for rural properties are based on the classification of the road and there is a significant difference between the setback required from a local road as opposed to a district arterial road. This is not considered efficient or effective plan administration for the handful of properties along the part of Upper Sefton Road within the Hurunui District.</p> <p>This amendment proposes classifying Upper Sefton Road as a district arterial road in Appendix 8.1.</p>	<p>Appendix 8.1</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1715 443 2760 701"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="1715 443 2237 506"><i>District Arterial</i></th> <th data-bbox="2237 443 2760 506"></th> </tr> <tr> <th data-bbox="1715 506 2237 569"><i>Road Name</i></th> <th data-bbox="2237 506 2760 569"><i>Part of Road</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="1715 569 2237 632"><i>Balcairn Amberley Road/Upper Sefton Road</i></td> <td data-bbox="2237 569 2760 632"><i>All</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="1715 632 2237 695">[...]</td> <td data-bbox="2237 632 2760 695">[...]</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		<i>District Arterial</i>		<i>Road Name</i>	<i>Part of Road</i>	<i>Balcairn Amberley Road/Upper Sefton Road</i>	<i>All</i>	[...]	[...]
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Chapter 9 - Utilities

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1-28	<p><i>Rural utility setback requirements from roads</i></p> <p>Rule: 9.4.3.2(a)(i)</p>	<p>Rule 3.4.3.1(c) provides building setback requirements from roads for buildings that do not contain sensitive activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 25 m from a boundary with a strategic arterial road, a district arterial road or a collector road; (ii) 10 m from a boundary with any other public road. <p>Rule 9.4.3.2(a)(i) provides rural utility setback requirements from roads (excluding water tanks, intakes, canals, reservoirs, utilities that do not exceed 2.5 m in height and 10 m² of floor area; and masts that do not exceed 10 m in height and a maximum diameter of 1.2 m, including all antennas):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 75 m from the boundary of a strategic arterial road, district arterial road or collector road and 10m from the boundary of any other road, or in the case of masts exceeding 10 m in height, 10 m from the boundary of any road. <p>Under the Inoperative District Plan the same setback requirements were applied to all buildings and structures within the Rural Zone. This was the same in the notification version of the Operative District Plan.</p> <p>Based on the submissions received, the Hearing Panel made the decision to split the Rural setback requirements into sensitive and non-sensitive buildings. The Panel considered that a reduction in setback for non-sensitive buildings would not have any reverse sensitivity effects on occupants as the buildings would not be permanently occupied. The Panel considered a reduced setback would still be sufficient to retain amenity values.</p> <p>No equivalent change was made to the setback requirements for utility buildings and structures. The effects of utility buildings and structures and non-sensitive buildings on the rural receiving environment are considered to be similar. Utility buildings and structures are not occupied, therefore, there would be no reverse sensitivity effects associated with locating these structures closer to the road. A reduction in the setback is considered appropriate to achieve Objective 9 of the Operative District Plan in a more efficient manner than the status quo:</p> <p>Objective 9</p> <p><i>Utilities are provided that meet the needs of today's communities and the reasonable foreseeable needs of future generations, while appropriately managing adverse effects on the environment resulting from the utilities location, operation, upgrading and maintenance.</i></p> <p>Aligning the setbacks is considered more efficient and effective from a plan administration perspective. Given the effects from both non-sensitive activities and utility structures are likely to be similar it is considered appropriate for these buildings and structures to comply with the same standards.</p> <p>This amendment proposes reducing the setback required for utility buildings and structures from strategic arterial, district and collector roads from 75 m to 25 m.</p>	<p>9.4.3 Permitted activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Above ground utility buildings and structures in the Rural Zone, where the following standards are met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Setback requirements (excluding: water tanks; intakes; canals; reservoirs; utilities that do not exceed 2.5 m in height and 10 m² of floor area; and masts that do not exceed 10 m in height and a maximum diameter of 1.2 m, including all antennas): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 75m <u>25 m</u> from the boundary of a strategic arterial road, district arterial road or collector road; 10 m from a boundary with any other public road; or in the case of masts exceeding 10 m in height, 10 m from the boundary of any road <u>from a boundary with any public road where a mast exceeds 10 m in height.</u>

Planning maps

Amendment	Topic & plan provision	Explanation of amendment	Proposed amendments
1-29	<p><i>Incorrect zoning of 110-170 Hanmer Springs Road and 1-63 Woodbank Road</i></p> <p>Map: I – Hanmer Springs</p>	<p>These sites were zoned Residential under the Inoperative District Plan. Due to an unintentional mapping error during the drafting of the Operative District Plan these properties are now zoned Residential 3, rather than Residential 1H.</p> <p>The Residential 3 Zone provides for larger lots of lower density than the Residential 1/1H zones. A minimum site area of 2000 m² is required to build a dwelling in the Residential 3 zone as a permitted activity. From planning map I it is clear the identified properties (except 122 Hanmer Springs Road) are undersized in the Residential 3 zone and the size of the sites better aligns with a Residential 1H zoning.</p> <p>The current Residential 3 zoning has consequences for future development of these sites. Resource consent will be required for breach of Rule 4.6.1 - minimum site area (and in many cases breach of Rule 4.6.2 - site coverage). This was not intended and is not an efficient or effective way to manage development on these sites.</p> <p>This amendment proposes to rezone 110-170 Hanmer Springs Road and 1-63 Woodbank Road to Residential 1H.</p> <p>This amendment will create a misalignment between Planning Map Ic and Rule 4.6.19(g)(x). Therefore, an associated amendment to Rule 4.6.19(g)(x) is required to ensure this rule can continue to be administered in an efficient and effective manner.</p> <p>Rule 4.6.19(g)(x) specifies bricks are a permitted cladding choice for buildings within a specific area of Residential 3 zoned land within the Hanmer Springs Settlement Area. This area is identified on Map Ic as the 'brick' design standard area and includes the properties 110-170 Hanmer Springs Road and 1-63 Woodbank Road. With these properties rezoned as Residential 1H, the rule no longer indicates bricks are a permitted cladding type for these lots, and this does not align with Planning Map Ic.</p> <p>Therefore, an amendment is also proposed to Rule 4.6.19(g)(x). The amendment will refer the Plan user to Planning Map Ic instead of a straight reference to the Residential 3 Zone. Planning Map Ic allows the Plan user to visually check what design standards apply to a particular property within the Hanmer Springs Settlement Area.</p>	<p><u>Planning map</u></p> <p>Amend Map I by rezoning 110-170 Hanmer Springs Road and 1-63 Woodbank Road to Residential 1H.</p> <p><u>Residential Zone</u></p> <p>4.6 Standards for permitted activities</p> <p>19. <i>Hanmer Springs Design Standards</i></p> <p>(h) <i>Cladding material (excluding Old Town area):</i></p> <p>(x) <i>Unpainted earth brick or cement brick provided that:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Where it is within the settlement boundary, it is confined to the <u>area marked as 'Bricks' on Map Ic. Residential 3 Zone bounded by the Open Space Zone to the north of Rippingale Road, to the east by Argelins Road and to the south by State Highway 7A;</u></i>
1-30	<p><i>Land parcel with no underlying zoning</i></p> <p>Maps: D – Cheviot F – Culverden G – Gore Bay N – Motunau Beach R - Waikari</p>	<p>A number of land parcels have been identified which have no zoning in the Operative District Plan. Under the Inoperative District Plan these parcels would have been captured by the General Management rules. However, due to the splitting of General Management rules in the Operative District Plan into Rural and Settlement rules, these parcels of land became 'unzoned' and the rules in the Operative District Plan don't apply. This is not considered to be an efficient or effective method for managing activities on the land in question to achieve the objectives of the District Plan.</p> <p>The land parcels with no underlying zoning are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lot 3 DP 76879 (LINZ ID: 3531686). This parcel forms part of the Culverden Golf Club. • SO 15517 (LINZ ID: 3522135 and 3412440). These parcels are marginal strips of land running between the back of 36, 38 and 56 Caverhill Road and Woolshed Stream in Cheviot. • Section 1 SO 17964 (LINZ ID: 3393139). This parcel is part of a rural zoned site located at 698P Gore Bay Road, but is located within the Gore Bay Settlement Zone. 	<p>Amend planning maps D, F, G, N, R to rezone the land parcels.</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LINZ ID: 3408573, 3328123 and 3408855. These parcels are marginal strips running between Motunau River and Fishermans Lane. Part RS7540 (LINZ ID: 3527177). This parcel forms part of the property 25 Oxford Street, Waikari. <p>To ensure the Operative District Plan rules apply, these parcels need to be zoned. The below new zonings have been given based on the character of the land and which zoning the current use of the land best aligns with.</p> <p>Rezone the land parcels as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lot 3 DP 76879 (LINZ ID: 3531686) as Open Space SO 15517 (LINZ ID: 3522135 and 3412440) as Open Space Section 1 SO 17964 (LINZ ID: 3393139) as Residential 1 LINZ ID: 3408573, 3328123 and 3408855 as Open Space <p>Part RS7540 (LINZ ID: 3527177) as Open Space</p>							
1-31	<p><i>Incorrect zoning of 8, 10 and 12 Hanmer Springs Road</i></p> <p>Map: I – Hanmer Springs and Ia – Hanmer Springs Town Centre</p>	<p>These sites were zoned Residential under the Inoperative District Plan. The adjoining site at 64 Hanmer Springs Road was also zoned Residential. The District Plan review amended the zoning of 64 Hanmer Springs Road to ‘St James Outline Development Zone (ODZ)’. The St James ODZ is shown in Appendix 5.1.1 and clearly does not include the properties at 8, 10, 12 Hanmer Springs Road.</p> <p>Therefore, including 8, 10 and 12 Hanmer Springs Road within the St James ODZ is considered unintentional and should be corrected, so that the zoning aligns with the area shown in Appendix 5.1.1.</p> <p>This amendment proposes to rezone 8, 10 and 12 Hanmer Springs Road to Residential 1H.</p>	Amend Map I and Ia by rezoning 8, 10 and 12 Hanmer Springs Road to Residential 1H.						
1-32	<p><i>Notable trees mapped but not listed in Schedule 14.3 – Notable trees</i></p> <p>Maps: G – Gore Bay Ia – Hanmer Springs Town Centre J – Hawarden 16 - Parnassus</p>	<p>The following trees are identified on the planning maps but are not listed in Schedule 14.3:</p> <p>T65 – Golden conifer – Hawarden Memorial Park T37 – Manzanita ‘Little Apple’ – Hanmer Springs Hospital Grounds T104 – Pohutukawa – Gore Bay foreshore T71 – Stringybark gum – Hawkeswood, Parnassus</p> <p>These trees were removed from Schedule 14.3 during the District Plan review, but not from the planning maps. As these mapped trees are not included in the Schedule, the rules in Chapter 14 relating to notable trees do not apply. Therefore, it is inefficient and ineffective to have these trees mapped.</p> <p>This amendment proposes deleting these trees from the relevant planning maps.</p>	<p>Delete T65 from planning map J – Hawarden Delete T37 from planning map Ia – Hanmer Springs Town Centre Delete T104 from planning map G – Gore Bay Delete T71 from planning map 16 – Parnassus.</p>						
1-33	<p><i>Notable tree listed in Schedule 14.3 shown in wrong location on planning maps</i></p> <p>Map: P - Rotherham</p>	<p>Notable tree T74 is included in Schedule 14.3 as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="641 1539 1688 1650"> <tr> <td>T74</td> <td>P</td> <td>Gum <i>Eucalyptus</i> spp sp.</td> <td>30 George Street</td> <td>Rotherham</td> <td>Historical – former Masonic Lodge</td> </tr> </table> <p>However, T74 is shown on planning map P as being located at 34 George Street, Rotherham. Aerial photographs confirm Schedule 14.3 is correct and T74 is actually located at 30 George Street. While the rules in Chapter 14 apply, there is risk that someone looking at the planning maps for 30 George Street could not realise the tree on the property is protected and that the planning rules in Chapter 14 are applicable. This is not effective and could result in confusion leading to damage or demolition of the tree.</p> <p>This amendment proposes to correct the position of T74 so it is identified on Map P on the 30</p>	T74	P	Gum <i>Eucalyptus</i> spp sp.	30 George Street	Rotherham	Historical – former Masonic Lodge	Amend Map P to show T74 in the correct location.
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		George Street property.							
1-34	<p><i>Notable tree listed in Schedule 14.3 but not shown on planning maps</i></p> <p>Map: Ia – Hanmer Springs Town Centre</p>	<p>Notable tree T59A is included in Schedule 14.3 as follows:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>T59A</td> <td>I, Ia</td> <td>Avenue of larches <i>Larix pendula</i></td> <td>Jollies Pass Road</td> <td>Hanmer Springs</td> <td>Lodge Hotel</td> </tr> </table> <p>T59A is not included on planning maps I and Ia. This is the result of a drafting oversight not noticed during the plan review. While the rules in Chapter 14 apply to these trees, without being mapped, it is currently unclear to which trees the rules apply, and there is a risk that someone looking at the planning maps would not realise there are applicable rules. This is not effective and could result in confusion.</p> <p>This amendment proposes to re-add T59A to planning maps I and Ia in the same location as shown on the planning map 'H' of the Inoperative District Plan.</p>	T59A	I, Ia	Avenue of larches <i>Larix pendula</i>	Jollies Pass Road	Hanmer Springs	Lodge Hotel	Amend map I and Ia.
T59A	I, Ia	Avenue of larches <i>Larix pendula</i>	Jollies Pass Road	Hanmer Springs	Lodge Hotel				
1-35	<p><i>Location of notable tree T125</i></p> <p>Map: Ia – Hanmer Springs Town Centre</p>	<p>Notable tree T125 is included in Schedule 14.3 as follows:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>T125</td> <td>I, Ia</td> <td>Avenue of lindens <i>Tilia x europaea</i></td> <td>Former Queen Mary Hospital grounds</td> <td>Hanmer Springs</td> <td>Complementing T35</td> </tr> </table> <p>T125 has been included in two locations on the planning maps for the Operative District Plan, shown below. The yellow circle shows the correct location of T125. Removing the duplication will avoid any confusion about the trees to which the rules in Chapter 14 apply and is therefore more efficient. Therefore, this amendment proposes to amend planning maps I and Ia to remove the blue circled location.</p> 	T125	I, Ia	Avenue of lindens <i>Tilia x europaea</i>	Former Queen Mary Hospital grounds	Hanmer Springs	Complementing T35	Amend Map I and Ia.
T125	I, Ia	Avenue of lindens <i>Tilia x europaea</i>	Former Queen Mary Hospital grounds	Hanmer Springs	Complementing T35				
1-36	<p><i>Location of notable tree T126</i></p> <p>Map: Ia – Hanmer Springs Town Centre</p>	<p>Notable tree T126 is included in Schedule 14.3 as follows:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>T126</td> <td>I, Ia</td> <td>Pin oaks <i>Quercus palustris</i> and conifers</td> <td>Queen Mary Hospital Historic Reserve</td> <td>Hanmer Springs</td> <td>(T134 PC30)</td> </tr> </table> <p>T126 has been included in two locations on the planning maps for the Operative District Plan. One is shown within the Queen Mary Hospital Historic Reserve (yellow) and one is shown within the former Queen Mary Hospital grounds (blue).</p>	T126	I, Ia	Pin oaks <i>Quercus palustris</i> and conifers	Queen Mary Hospital Historic Reserve	Hanmer Springs	(T134 PC30)	Amend Map I and Ia.
T126	I, Ia	Pin oaks <i>Quercus palustris</i> and conifers	Queen Mary Hospital Historic Reserve	Hanmer Springs	(T134 PC30)				



The yellow circle shows the correct location for T126. As the description above states, the trees are located within the Queen Mary Hospital Historic Reserve (i.e. the yellow circled location). Removing the duplication will avoid any confusion about the trees to which the rules in Chapter 14 apply and is therefore more efficient.

This amendment proposes to update planning maps I and Ia to remove the blue circled location of T126.

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Location of notable trees T131, T132 and T133
Map: Ia – Hanmer Springs Town Centre

Notable trees T131, T132 and T133 are included in Schedule 14.3 as follows:

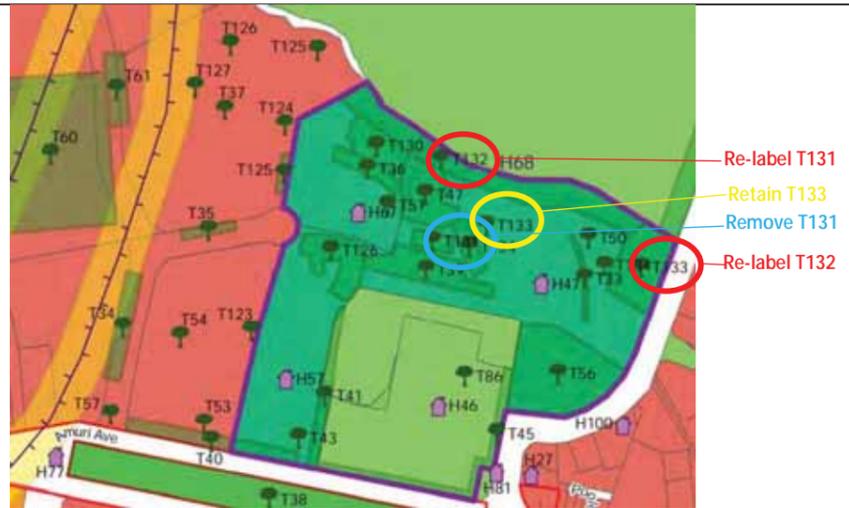
T131	I, Ia	Trees along stream <i>Prunus avium, Betula, Nothofagus, Larix</i> etc.	Queen Mary Hospital Historic Reserve	Hanmer Springs
T132	I, Ia	Mixed woodlot: <i>Pseudotsuga menziesii, Quercus, Betula</i> etc.	Queen Mary Hospital Historic Reserve	Hanmer Springs
T133	I, Ia	Gum <i>Eucalyptus spp.</i>	Queen Mary Hospital Historic Reserve	Hanmer Springs

These notable trees are shown either in multiple locations or in incorrect locations on planning map Ia. These errors happened in the early stages of the District Plan review. During the early stages of drafting Chapter 14 – Heritage, a new notable tree description was temporarily inserted as T131. This meant the current T131 description became T132, and the current T132 description became T133. This is what can be seen on planning map Ia.

This new notable tree description was then removed prior to notification of the Proposed District Plan and the descriptions for these notable trees remained the same as the descriptions in the Inoperative District Plan. Planning maps I and Ia were not updated accordingly.

This amendment proposes to update planning maps I and Ia as shown below to reflect the actual location of the notable trees described. This ensures that it is clear what trees the rules in Chapter 14 apply to, and is therefore more efficient and avoids potential confusion.

Amend Map I and Ia.



1-38

Location of notable tree T134
Map: Ia – Hanmer Springs Town Centre

Notable tree T134 is included in Schedule 14.3 as follows:

T134	I, Ia	Copper beech <i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	Queen Mary Hospital Historic Reserve	Hanmer Springs	(T135 PC30)
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T134 has been included in two locations on the planning maps for the Operative District Plan,



shown below:

This is a result of a temporary insertion of a new notable tree description as T134 early in the drafting process: an avenue of silver birches known as ‘lovers lane’. This is identified above by the blue circle. This description was removed prior to notification of the Draft Proposed District Plan and the description for T134 reverted back to the description included in the Inoperative District Plan. Planning maps I and Ia were not updated accordingly.

The yellow circled location is correct. This amendment proposes the removal of the blue circled location from planning maps I and Ia. This ensures it is clear what trees the rules in Chapter 14 apply to, and is therefore more efficient and avoids potential confusion.

Amend Map I and Ia.

3. Statutory context

Section 74 of the Act sets out the matters to be considered by a territorial authority when preparing or changing its District Plan. Section 75 of the Act sets out the content of District Plans. The relevant matters from both sections are outlined below.

Section 74(1)(a): accordence with Hurunui District Council's functions under the Act

Proposed PC1 is considered to be in accordance with the Council's functions under section 31 of the Act. Specifically proposed PC1 will:

- a. achieve integrated management of the effects of the use, development or protection of land and associated natural and physical resources of the district; and
- b. assist the Council to control the actual or potential effects of the use, development, or protection of land.

Section 74(1)(b): accordence with the purpose and principles of the Act

Proposed PC1 amends the rule framework only. No amendments are proposed to the policy or objective framework. It is considered the current objectives of the District Plan, which were considered through the District Plan review process, achieve the purpose and principles of the Act. Proposed PC1 is consistent with the current objectives of the Plan, and is therefore considered consistent with the purpose and principles of the Act.

Section 74(2)(a): having regard to any proposed regional policy statement or plan

The Canterbury Regional Policy Statement was made operative on 15 January 2013. The Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan was made fully operative on 1 February 2016. Therefore, there is no proposed regional policy statement or proposed regional plan to have regard to.

Section 74(2)(b): having regard to management plans and strategies prepared under other Acts

There are no relevant management plans or strategies prepared under other Acts that are relevant to proposed PC1.

Section 74(2)(c): having regard to the extent to which the Plan needs to be consistent with the Plans of adjacent territorial authorities

Proposed PC1 seeks to make a number of miscellaneous and separate amendments to the rule framework only. It is considered proposed PC1 will not create any cross boundary issues in respect of the Plans of adjacent territorial authorities.

Section 74(2A)(a): accounting for any relevant planning documents recognised by an iwi authority and lodged with the Hurunui District Council

Proposed PC1 is not considered to create any issues in relation to the Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura Environmental Management Plan 2007 nor the Mahaanui Iwi Management Plan 2013.

Section 75(3): ensuring the Plan is not inconsistent with higher order documents

Proposed PC1 amends the rule framework only. It does not amend the policy or objective framework. It is considered the current objectives of the Plan give effect to the relevant national policy statements, the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement and the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement.

Section 75(4): ensuring the Plan is not inconsistent with a water conservation order or regional plan for any matter specified in section 30(1)

There are no water conservation orders applicable to the Hurunui District.

Proposed PC1 is not inconsistent with the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan.

4. Section 32 evaluation

Section 32

The Act requires the preparation of an evaluation report in accordance with section 32 for all plans, policy statements and plan changes prepared under the Act. This evaluation is undertaken prior to public notification of the proposed plan change.

This section details the Council's evaluation of proposed PC1 under section 32 of the Act (the full text from section 32 is provided as Appendix A). It is intended to be read in conjunction with the discussion of the proposed amendments in Section 2.

Purpose of proposed PC1

As per section 32(6), in relation to this evaluation the term 'objectives of the proposal' means 'the purpose of proposed PC1'.

The purpose of proposed PC1 is to make changes to the Plan to improve its overall workability, consistency and clarity by addressing identified issues in order to better align the rule framework with, and achieve, the Plan objectives.

Relevant objectives

S32(1)(a) requires an examination of the extent to which the objectives of the proposal being evaluated are the most appropriate way to achieve the purpose of the Act.

The amendments proposed seek to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the rule framework to achieve the Plan objectives. No changes are proposed to the Plan's existing objective framework. The existing objective framework was reviewed and developed in accordance with the Act. Therefore, an underlying assumption of this evaluation is the existing and unchanged Plan objectives achieve the purpose of the Act, and continue to be the most appropriate way of doing so.

Proposed PC1 is considered an amending proposal under section 32(3). As such the evaluation of provisions in this section 32 report have been undertaken against the existing Plan objectives and the purpose of proposed PC1.

Overview of practicable options

Section 32(b)(i) requires identification of reasonably practicable options for achieving the objectives. Two reasonably practicable options have been identified:

- **Option A - Status Quo:**
The operative rule framework and planning maps would be retained in the current format. None of the amendments identified in Section 2 would be made to the Plan to address the inconsistencies, omissions or to improve and rationalise the existing rule framework.

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- **Option A - Status Quo:**
The operative rule framework and planning maps would be retained in the current format. None of the amendments identified in Section 2 would be made to the Plan to address the inconsistencies, omissions or to improve and rationalise the existing rule framework.

- **Option B – Proposed PC1:**

Amendments as identified in Section 2 would be made to the rule framework and planning maps. The amendments would correct the identified inconsistencies, omissions, and to improve and rationalise the existing rule framework to promote more efficient and effective operation and administration of the Plan to better achieve the Plan objectives.

Scale and significance

To determine whether the proposed amendments are the most appropriate way to achieve the Plan objectives, section 32(1)(c) requires analysis to be conducted in a manner and level of detail which corresponds to the scale and significance of the environmental, economic, social and cultural effects anticipated from the implementation of the proposed plan change.

As noted above, the proposed amendments evaluated in this report relate to the correction of inconsistencies, omissions, as well as improvement and rationalisation of the existing rule framework. As such, the scale and significance of the amendments recommended in proposed PC1 are considered minor. The level of detail in the analysis below and in Section 2 reflects this.

Assessment of efficiency and effectiveness

Section 32(1)(b)(ii) requires assessment of the efficiency and effectiveness of the provisions in achieving the objectives. The amendments proposed do not relate specifically to any one objective more than another. Where a change relates particularly to one Plan objective, the relevant Plan objective is identified in Section 2. Therefore, this assessment takes into account the effectiveness and efficiency of achieving the purpose of proposed PC1 and the Plan objectives as a whole.

The starting point for the below evaluation is the current environment and rule framework of the Plan. This approach means the efficiency and effectiveness of the new provisions, and any identified costs and benefits of the proposed provisions, are a comparison against the status quo.

	<i>Option A: Status Quo</i>	<i>Option B: Proposed PC1</i>
Efficiency and Effectiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This option is not considered an efficient and effective method to achieve the objectives of the Plan, nor the purpose of proposed PC1. • The identified inconsistencies and omissions would not be corrected, hindering the efficient operation and administration of the Plan, hampering the full achievement of the Plan objectives. • Resource consent will continue to be required in some situations solely because of inconsistent plan provisions. For example, in situations where there is a misalignment between the minimum site area requirements for land use and subdivision. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This option is considered an efficient and effective method to achieve the objectives of the Plan and the purpose of proposed PC1. • The proposed amendments would improve the overall workability, consistency and clarity of the Plan, achieving the purpose of proposed PC1. The changes proposed will enable more effective and efficient operation and administration of the Plan. • The amendments proposed will ensure the environmental outcomes set through the objective and policy framework of the Plan are better achieved than under the status quo. • In some cases where inconsistencies are corrected, for example the misalignment

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In some cases, the control posed by a rule, or the absence of a rule goes beyond the intervention required to achieve the Plan objectives resulting in inefficiencies. For example, the absence of an exemption for additions to existing non-complying buildings that do not increase the degree of non-compliance. 	<p>between the minimum site area requirements for land use and subdivision, resource consent will no longer be required. This will increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the planning process.</p>
Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Less regulation of some activities. For example, the status quo does not require the application of the Hanmer Springs Design Standards in the Open Space Zone. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Through clarification of the rule framework and the reinstatement of rules, activities will be properly controlled resulting in more robust environmental outcomes. This option reduces the time and cost to developers, as in some cases the need to apply for resource consent will be removed. For example, some lots subdivided under the Inoperative District Plan no longer meet the minimum site area requirements under the status quo. The proposed amendments fix this, removing the need for a land use consent.
Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time and money spent on preparing and applying for resource consent because of an inconsistent, missing, ineffective and/or inefficient rule. Risk of not achieving anticipated environmental outcomes in some cases where rules have been missed, allowing activities to be carried out with no controls. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where a proposed amendment is to reinstate a rule inadvertently excluded from the Plan this will place controls on activities, and in some cases require an application for resource consent, where currently the status quo provides no controls. For example, the reinstatement of controls on earthworks in proximity to water bodies in the Business and Open Space Zones. However, any new rules proposed are only reinstating rules from the Inoperative District Plan inadvertently omitted from the Plan. Therefore, it is anticipated that no plan user will be any more disadvantaged than they were under the Inoperative District Plan.

With regards to section 32(2)(a)(i) and (ii) the proposed amendments are not anticipated to provide nor reduce economic growth and employment opportunities within the Hurunui District.

Risk of acting or not acting

Section 32(2)(c) requires the Council to assess the risk of acting or not acting if there is uncertain or insufficient information. The amendments proposed correct inconsistencies, omissions, improve and rationalise the existing rule framework. As such, little uncertainty or insufficiency is associated with

the proposed amendments and the risks of including the proposed amendments in the Plan are considered to be low.

Summary of advice from iwi authorities

The Council engaged the services of Mahaanui Kurataiao Limited to review and brief Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri Rūnanga and Kaikōura Rūnanga on the content of proposed PC1.

The Kaitiaki Committee for Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri Rūnanga provided the following feedback:

- Acknowledgement the amendments proposed by proposed PC1 are not substantive and seek to improve the overall usability of the District Plan.
- On this basis, the Kaitiaki confirmed they are comfortable with the proposed amendments and do not have any concerns to raise.

The Kaitiaki Committee for Kaikōura Rūnanga provided the following feedback:

- No concerns raised as the plan change generally seeks to tidy up the District Plan, and no major changes are proposed.
- Therefore the Rūnanga did not wish to have any involvement in the proposed PC1 process.

Conclusion

This evaluation was undertaken in accordance with section 32 of the Act. This evaluation has assessed the proposed changes against the status quo, taking into account the efficiency and effectiveness of each option at achieving the Plan objectives, along with the costs and benefits of each approach. Overall, Option B – Proposed PC1, is identified as the most appropriate option to better align the rule framework with, and to better achieve the relevant Plan objectives.

Appendix A: section 32 text

32. Requirements for preparing and publishing evaluation reports

- (1) *An evaluation report required under this Act must—*
 - (a) *examine the extent to which the objectives of the proposal being evaluated are the most appropriate way to achieve the purpose of this Act; and*
 - (b) *examine whether the provisions in the proposal are the most appropriate way to achieve the objectives by—*
 - (i) *identifying other reasonably practicable options for achieving the objectives; and*
 - (ii) *assessing the efficiency and effectiveness of the provisions in achieving the objectives; and*
 - (iii) *summarising the reasons for deciding on the provisions; and*
 - (c) *contain a level of detail that corresponds to the scale and significance of the environmental, economic, social, and cultural effects that are anticipated from the implementation of the proposal.*
- (2) *An assessment under subsection (1)(b)(ii) must—*
 - (a) *identify and assess the benefits and costs of the environmental, economic, social, and cultural effects that are anticipated from the implementation of the provisions, including the opportunities for—*
 - (i) *economic growth that are anticipated to be provided or reduced; and*
 - (ii) *employment that are anticipated to be provided or reduced; and*
 - (b) *if practicable, quantify the benefits and costs referred to in paragraph (a); and*
 - (c) *assess the risk of acting or not acting if there is uncertain or insufficient information about the subject matter of the provisions.*
- (3) *If the proposal (an amending proposal) will amend a standard, statement, national planning standard, regulation, plan, or change that is already proposed or that already exists (an existing proposal), the examination under subsection (1)(b) must relate to—*
 - (a) *the provisions and objectives of the amending proposal; and*
 - (b) *the objectives of the existing proposal to the extent that those objectives—*
 - (i) *are relevant to the objectives of the amending proposal; and*
 - (ii) *would remain if the amending proposal were to take effect.*
- (4) *If the proposal will impose a greater or lesser prohibition or restriction on an activity to which a national environmental standard applies than the existing prohibitions or restrictions in that standard, the evaluation report must examine whether the prohibition or restriction is justified in the circumstances of each region or district in which the prohibition or restriction would have effect.*
- (4A) *If the proposal is a proposed policy statement, plan, or change prepared in accordance with any of the processes provided for in Schedule 1, the evaluation report must—*
 - (a) *summarise all advice concerning the proposal received from iwi authorities under the relevant provisions of Schedule 1; and*
 - (b) *summarise the response to the advice, including any provisions of the proposal that are intended to give effect to the advice.*
- (5) *The person who must have particular regard to the evaluation report must make the report available for public inspection—*
 - (a) *as soon as practicable after the proposal is made (in the case of a standard or regulation); or*
 - (b) *at the same time as the proposal is notified.*

(6) *In this section,—*

objectives means,—

(a) for a proposal that contains or states objectives, those objectives:

(b) for all other proposals, the purpose of the proposal

proposal means a proposed standard, statement, national planning standard, regulation, plan, or change for which an evaluation report must be prepared under this Act

provisions means,—

(a) for a proposed plan or change, the policies, rules, or other methods that implement, or give effect to, the objectives of the proposed plan or change:

(b) for all other proposals, the policies or provisions of the proposal that implement, or give effect to, the objectives of the proposal.

Plan Change 1: Miscellaneous amendments

Engagement Plan

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Project

Plan change to the Hurunui District Plan.

The purpose of proposed Plan Change 1 (proposed PC1) is to amend a number of provisions in the Hurunui District Plan (the Plan) to address separate and miscellaneous issues identified in the rule framework by plan users. In general, the proposed amendments are not substantive, but are considered important to improve the overall workability, consistency and clarity of the Plan. The proposed amendments seek to better align the rule framework with, and achieve, the Plan objectives.

The scope of proposed PC1 is to amend the rule framework to

1. Improve and refine existing rules;
2. Resolve inconsistencies between chapters;
3. Reinstate rules unintentionally omitted from the Plan; and
4. Rationalise rules.

Engagement Objectives

- Ensure clarity around the scope and purpose of proposed PC1. Proposed PC1 is not an opportunity to open new discussion topics or re-discuss topics from the District Plan Review process.
- Those engaging with the process understand the amendments proposed generally do not impose any further regulation or restrictions. Where an amendment is more restrictive than the status quo, it will be no more restrictive than the equivalent provision under the old District Plan.

Stakeholders

Internal	Government Agencies	External
Regulatory – especially consent planners and compliance	Minister for the Environment - <i>Sch 1/Clause 3(1)(a) & Clause 5(4)(a)</i>	Property owners within the District
Councillors	Environment Canterbury - <i>Sch 1/Clause 5(4)</i>	Business owners within the District

	Adjacent Territorial authorities - <i>Sch 1/Clause 5(4)(d)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kaikōura DC • Waimakariri DC • Selwyn DC • Grey DC • Buller DC • Marlborough DC • Tasman DC 	Developers
		Macquarrie Holdings Ltd – developer of Woodbank (South) ODZ
		Mahaanui Kurataiao - <i>Sch 1/Clause 3(1)(d) & 4A & 5(4)(f)</i>

Risks

- Technical nature of the content.
- Submitters try (or misunderstand purpose of proposed PC1) to use this plan change to either open new issues or rehash decisions from the District Plan Review process. This will result in 'out of scope' submissions.

Key Messages

- Proposed PC1 makes a series of miscellaneous and separate amendments to the District Plan. The amendments address a number of separate and miscellaneous issues identified in the rule framework by plan users.
- The amendments proposed seek to fix workability, consistency and clarity of the rule framework to better align with, and achieve, the Plan objectives.
- Proposed PC1 has a narrow scope as explicitly stated. No opening up of new issues.
- No amendment proposed is more restrictive than the same rule under the Inoperative District Plan.

Strategies

- Scope and purpose of plan change clearly defined in all documents – Regulatory Committee papers, section 32 report and on website page.
- Pre-consultation as per Clause 3 and 4A. Level of tangata whenua engagement to be led by Mahaanui Kurataiao Ltd.
- Consultation to be carried out in accordance with Clause 5 of Schedule 1.
- Plan change information provided on website. Information to include a 1-2 page simple summary highlighting what a district plan is, what a plan change is, and what plan change 1 is about (attached).

RMA Schedule 1, Clause 5 obligations

Provision	How provision will be met
<p><i>(1) A local authority that has prepared a proposed policy statement or plan must—</i></p> <p><i>(a) prepare an evaluation report for the proposed policy statement or plan in accordance with section 32 and have particular regard to that report when deciding whether to proceed with the statement or plan; and</i></p> <p><i>(b) if the local authority decides to proceed with the proposed policy statement or plan, do one of the following, as appropriate:</i></p> <p><i>(i) publicly notify the proposed policy statement or plan;</i></p> <p><i>(ii) give limited notification, as provided for in clause 5A.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 32 report prepared. • Provided to the regulatory committee August 16 meeting for adoption. • Full public notification to be undertaken as the nature of the proposed amendments do not lend themselves to limited notification.
<p><i>1(A) A territorial authority shall, not earlier than 60 working days before public notification or later than 10 working days after public notification of its plan, either—</i></p> <p><i>(a) send a copy of the public notice, and such further information as the territorial authority thinks fit relating to the proposed plan, to every ratepayer for the area of the territorial authority where that person, in the territorial authority's opinion, is likely to be directly affected by the proposed plan; or</i></p> <p><i>(b) include the public notice, and such further information as the territorial authority thinks fit relating to the proposed plan, in any publication or circular which is issued or sent to all residential properties and Post Office box addresses located in the affected area—</i></p> <p><i>and shall send a copy of the public notice to any other person who, in the territorial authority's opinion, is directly affected by the plan.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woodbank South developer • Property owners the zoning of which is proposed to change.
<p><i>1(B) Notwithstanding subclause (1A), a territorial authority shall ensure that notice is given of any requirement or modification of a designation or heritage order under clause 4 to land owners and occupiers who, in the territorial authority's opinion, are likely to be directly affected.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed PC1 does not include any requirement or modification of a designation or heritage order.
<p><i>1(C) A regional council shall, not earlier than 60 working days before public notification or later than 10 working days after public notification, send a copy of the public notice and such further information as the regional council thinks fit relating to the proposed policy statement or plan to any person who, in the regional council's opinion, is likely to be directly affected by the proposed policy statement or plan.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision not applicable. Applies to regional council only
<p><i>(2) Public notice under subclause (1) shall state—</i></p> <p><i>(a) where the proposed policy statement or plan may be inspected; and</i></p> <p><i>(b) that any person may make a submission on the proposed policy statement or plan; and</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public notice prepared in prescribed format to go in the North Canterbury News

<p><i>(c) the process for public participation in the consideration of the proposed policy statement or plan; and</i></p> <p><i>(d) the closing date for submissions; and</i></p> <p><i>(e) the address for service of the local authority.</i></p>	
<p><i>(3) The closing date for submissions—</i></p> <p><i>(a) shall, in the case of a proposed policy statement or plan, be at least 40 working days after public notification; and</i></p> <p><i>(b) shall, in the case of a proposed change or variation to a policy statement or plan, be at least 20 working days after public notification.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per 3(b) the submission period will run for 20 working days.
<p><i>(4) A local authority shall provide 1 copy of its proposed policy statement or plan without charge to—</i></p> <p><i>(a) the Minister for the Environment; and</i></p> <p><i>(b) [Repealed]</i></p> <p><i>(c) in the case of a regional coastal plan, the Minister of Conservation and the appropriate regional conservator for the Department of Conservation; and</i></p> <p><i>(d) in the case of a district plan, the regional council and adjacent local authorities; and</i></p> <p><i>(e) in the case of a policy statement or regional plan, constituent territorial authorities, and adjacent regional councils; and</i></p> <p><i>(f) the tangata whenua of the area, through iwi authorities.</i></p> <p><i>(g) [Repealed]</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emails will be sent to all parties with a link to where the plan change information can be found on the Council website.
<p><i>(5) A local authority shall make any proposed policy statement or plan prepared by it available in every public library in its area and in every other place in its area that it considers appropriate.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information on the proposed plan change will be available electronically.

Financial Resources

- Regulatory services budget

Key dates

Date	Action	Status
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22 June	Mahaanui Kurataiao engaged to provide consultation service with Te Ngai Tūāhuriri and Kaikōura Rūnanga	Complete 2/8/18 – feedback received
29 June	Pre-consultation email sent to Ministry for the Environment	2/8/18 - no response received
16 August	Regulatory Committee – paper recommending the Committee adopt proposed PC1 and agree to public notification	
23 August	North Canterbury News deadline	
30 August	<p>Consultation period commences (if proposed PC1 adopted by Regulatory Committee):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public notice in North Canterbury News (formal RMA style) - Information on Council website - Facebook post - Notices to be placed in local newsletters on publication date closest to the commencement of consultation period. 	
13 September	Repeat public notice in North Canterbury News and Facebook post	
27 September	Consultation period closes	
27 September – 11 October	Submissions summarised	
4 October	North Canterbury News deadline	
11 October	Notice of availability of a summary of decisions and ability to make further submissions placed in North Canterbury News (as per Clause 7(1)) and on website.	

What is the District Plan?

The District Plan is a framework that shapes the way our district is developed. It controls land use activities such as subdivision, building locations, noise, and activities on the surface of rivers and lakes.

The purpose of these controls is to achieve the objectives of the District Plan to balance social, economic, cultural and environmental interests and **make the Hurunui a great place to live in.**

The plan has recently been reviewed and became operative on 21 June 2018. The review was a comprehensive process that sought to reflect the views of residents and to be consistent with regional and national planning documents.

The Hurunui District Plan can be viewed at <https://dp.hurunui.govt.nz/eplan/#>

What is a plan change?

- The council is required to review the District Plan every 10 years. However, a lot can change in 10 years!
- Plan changes allow issues to be fixed, and new ideas, visions and priorities to be included over the lifetime of a District Plan. **Plan changes keep a district's planning framework fresh and relevant.**
- Plan changes can be requested privately or by the council. This plan change has been initiated by the council.

What is Proposed Plan Change 1 about?

Proposed Plan Change 1 will involve tweaking and tidying the current framework. We have identified rules that are missing; and others that don't work as anticipated. In some cases the wrong zoning has been applied to a site; while in other cases no zoning has been applied at all. Most of the issues are due to how the District Plan was restructured, and how the rules were repackaged.

No amendment proposed is more restrictive than the same rule was under the previous District Plan.

The purpose of the proposed amendments is to improve the overall workability, consistency and clarity of the District Plan. The amendments proposed seek to better align the rule framework with the District Plan objectives.

Below are examples of the types of issues Proposed Plan Change 1 seeks to address.

Missing rules

Some rules were not carried over to the District Plan from the previous version. Without these rules, some activities risk not being properly managed and not achieving the anticipated environmental outcomes.

Rule inconsistencies

In some cases the rules in one chapter do not line up with rules in other chapters. This causes issues such as requiring resource consent when an activity should be a permitted activity, or inadvertently allowing potential overdevelopment.

Improvements and refinements

Some rules need a small tweak to clarify their intention, or to make sure they are written consistently throughout the District Plan.

Mapping corrections

Some sites within the district have not been mapped correctly. If a site is not zoned correctly then the relevant rules cannot be applied to control the effects of activities on those sites.

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING REPORT



To: Regulatory Committee
 Report Prepared By: Sean Crocker, Senior Planner
 Date: 16 August 2018
 Significance Level: Low

RC180016 and RC180025 – Thodey – To Appoint Hearing Commissioners

Recommendation THAT THE COMMITTEE APPOINT A HEARING PANEL PURSUANT TO SECTION 34A(1) OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991, TO HEAR AND MAKE A DECISION ON THE SUBDIVISION AND LAND-USE CONSENTS FOR RC180016 AND RC180025.

Executive Summary This report seeks a decision from the Committee to commission an independent Commissioner or a panel of Commissioners to hear the Thodey subdivision and land-use consent application. The Council has assessed the application and determined the adverse effects associated with the proposal were more than minor. Therefore the application will be Publicly Notified. In accordance with the Councils Delegations Manual, a Commissioner or panel of Commissioners must be appointed to consider make a decision with regard to the notified resource consent applications RC180016 & RC180025.

Background An application for subdivision and land-use consent has been submitted to the Council to subdivide and construct dwellings on 1 Tainui Drive, Gore Bay. The application is referred to as the Thodey subdivision and seeks to subdivide a 0.85 hectare property into two lots at 1 Tainui Drive, Gore Bay. The subdivision will create Lot 1 of 4597m² and Lot 2 of 3116m².

The underlying zone for the site is Rural, but the site is also located within Coastal Environment and an Outstanding Natural Landscape. The minimum lot area required to construct a dwelling is 20 hectares.

The site is also physically land-locked, therefore access and services are proposed to be provided over a neighbouring property. No easements exist or allow the applicant to use the neighbouring property to provide services or access. The applicant advised that a verbal agreement was the only permission obtained.

Overall, the proposed subdivision and land-use activity is considered a non-complying activities in accordance with the Hurunui District Plan.

In consideration of the effects of the proposal, Council Officers concluded that there were positive effects. However the adverse effects were more than minor and therefore Public Notification of the proposal was required.

Discussion The Council's Delegation Manual requires that any notified resource consent application must be heard before a suitably qualified Commissioner or panel of Commissioners.

Independent Commissioners Dean Chrystal and Justine Ashley are accredited Commissioners and Chairpersons and are included within the "Approved Commissioner List" in the Delegation Manual.

Council Officers note that Deputy Mayor Marie Black, Councillor Dick Davison and Councillor Geoff Shier are also accredited Commissioners that can hear or sit on a hearing panel.

Financial Considerations

The cost of the hearing is at the expense of the applicant.

Risks

There are no risks associated with the proposed recommendation.

Options

Option 1: Appointment of a standalone independent Commissioner.

This option would involve appointing an independent Commissioner to hear and determine the consent.

The benefit of using an independent hearings Commissioner is their extensive experience in resource management processes and decision making.

Option 2: Appointment of a Panel of Commissioners.

This option would involve appointing a standalone independent Commissioners/qualified chairperson and two or more qualified and elected Commissioners.

The benefit of a hearing panel is that Commissioners can bring their extensive resource management and local experience to the decision making process. Council Officers note that commissioners Mr Dean Chrystal and Miss Justine Ashley are also qualified chairpersons.

Report Prepared by:


Sean Crocker
Senior Planner

Report Reviewed by:


Judith Batchelor
Manager Regulatory Services

Officer in Attendance:

The report author will be in attendance to speak to this report.

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING REPORT



To: Regulatory Committee
 Report Prepared by: Stephanie Chin, Policy Planner
 Date: 16 August 2018
 Significance Level: Medium

Canterbury Regional Pest Management Plan – update

Recommendation THAT THE INFORMATION BE RECEIVED.

Executive Summary

- Canterbury Regional Council has been undertaking a review of their pest management document.
- Hurunui District Council made a submission on the Draft Regional Pest Management Plan in 2017.
- Canterbury Regional Council has resolved to adopt the Regional Pest Management Plan. The appeal period is now closed and no appeals were received.
- Canterbury Regional Council will therefore soon make the Regional Pest Management Plan operative.

What is the Canterbury Regional Pest Management Plan?

The Canterbury Regional Pest Management Plan is the main regulatory component of Canterbury Regional Council's Biosecurity programme. It contains provisions for pests that are controlled to benefit the region as a whole as well as the programmes, objectives and the rules for management that must be met.

Background

Policy context:

The requirements for Regional Pest Management Plans are outlined in the Biosecurity Act 1993 and the National Policy Direction for Pest Management 2015. Since 2015, Canterbury Regional Council has been undertaking a review of the existing strategy, which is the Regional Pest Management Strategy 2011 – 2015.

Submission process:

As part of the review process, Hurunui District Council made a written submission to Canterbury Regional Council in 2017, linked here:

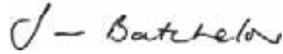
<http://www.hurunui.govt.nz/assets/Documents/Submissions/Hurunui-DC-Submission-on-Regional-Pest-Management-Plan-3Jul17.pdf>

The Mayor spoke to the Council's submission at the hearing in September 2017.

Decision:

On 15 March 2018 the Canterbury Regional Council resolved to adopt the Regional Pest Management Plan. The appeal period is now closed and no appeals were received. Canterbury Regional Council will make the plan operative in the next few months.

Relevant information on the plan can be found at the link below. This

	<p>includes the Canterbury Regional Pest Management Plan inclusive of amended provisions.</p> <p>https://www.ecan.govt.nz/your-region/plans-strategies-and-bylaws/canterbury-regional-pest-management-plan/pest-management-plan</p>
Council's submission	<p>The main issue raised in the Council's 2017 submission related to funding.</p> <p>The draft Regional Pest Management Plan proposed an increase in the targeted pest management rate for inspections for both Nassella tussock and Chilean needle grass.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For Nassella tussock this rate was proposed to increase from 50% to 75%. • For Chilean needle grass this rate was proposed to increase from 50% to 100%. <p>The Council opposed these increases due to the financial implications for land owners, and supported both rates being retained at 50%.</p>
Changes following the submission and hearing phase	<p>In relation to funding, the following changes were included in the finalised Regional Pest Management Plan that are relevant to the Council's submission:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The funding provisions have been simplified. • The funding for inspection, monitoring, advocacy and investigation for all pests has been amended to a 50% targeted rate and a 50% general rate. This is in line with what the Council sought. • The funding for control costs for Nassella tussock and Chilean needle grass are to be a 100% targeted rate.
Significance Consideration	<p>The significance of this issue is considered to be medium because the number of people potentially affected by the Canterbury Regional Pest Management Plan could be a large number of land owners, particularly rural land owners who have various pests present on their land. The plan has implications for them in terms of management of pests and targeted rates (discussed above).</p> <p>Canterbury Regional Council has kept submitters up to date as the plan has progressed.</p>
Report Prepared by:	<p> Stephanie Chin Policy Planner</p>
Report Reviewed by:	<p> Judith Batchelor Manager, Regulatory Services</p>
Officer in Attendance:	<p>The Manager Regulatory Services will be in attendance to speak to this report.</p>

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING REPORT



To: Regulatory Committee
 Report Prepared by: Stephanie Chin, Policy Planner
 Date: 16 August 2018
 Significance Level: Low

National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry – Implementation

Recommendation THAT THE INFORMATION BE RECEIVED.

Executive Summary

- The National Environmental Standards (NES) for Plantation Forestry came into force on 1 May 2018.
 - The Council must observe and enforce an NES and is required to amend the District Plan to remove any duplication or conflict of the Plan's provisions with the NES.
 - The Proposed Hurunui District Plan has been updated with the relevant changes.
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Legislative context

National environmental standards are legally enforceable regulations made under the Resource Management Act (RMA). These prescribe standards for environmental matters and ensure a consistent standard for an activity or resource use.

Once in place, the Council must observe and enforce an NES, and is required to amend the District Plan to remove any duplication or conflict of the Plan's provisions with an NES. The Council is required to do this as soon as practicable after the date on which the standards come into force.

Background

The NES for Plantation Forestry was first proposed by the Ministry for the Environment in 2010. In 2012 the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) was formed and took over management and regulation of the forestry sector. MPI developed the draft NES for Plantation Forestry and consulted on this in 2015. A copy of the Council's 2015 submission is available here:

<http://www.hurunui.govt.nz/news-and-views/council-submissions-and-advocacy/>

MPI also sought further input in 2017 on whether to include a provision in the NES for Plantation Forestry to allow for the charging of the monitoring of permitted activities. Council made a submission on this, supporting the provision:

<http://www.hurunui.govt.nz/assets/Documents/AgendasMinutes/Regulatory-Committee/2017/10-August-2017-Regulatory-Committee-Agenda.pdf>

What is the NES for Plantation Forestry?

The NES for Plantation Forestry came into force on 1 May 2018. It provides nationally consistent regulations to manage the environmental effects of forestry activities. An overview of the standards can be found here:

<http://www.mfe.govt.nz/publications/rma/national-environmental-standards-plantation-forestry-overview-of-regulations>

The NES for Plantation Forestry covers eight core plantation forestry activities:

- afforestation
 - pruning and thinning-to-waste
 - earthworks
 - river crossings
 - forest quarrying
 - harvesting
 - mechanical land preparation
 - replanting.
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Updates required to the Proposed Hurunui District Plan

The Council is required to amend the District Plan to remove any duplication or conflict of the Plan's provisions with the NES. The Council may set more stringent rules than in the NES if the NES expressly says that a rule may be more stringent than it, but the council rules may not be more lenient.

Rules in the Proposed Hurunui District Plan that are being retained:

Forestry rules related to Outstanding Natural Landscapes, Outstanding Natural Features and the Coastal Environment are being retained. This is because the NES for Plantation Forestry allows for rules to be more stringent when they are for the protection of Outstanding Natural Landscapes / Outstanding Natural Features, and when they give effect to the NZ Coastal Policy Statement.

The Forestry Management Areas and relevant policies are being retained, however the Forestry Management Areas will no longer be used as a tool to manage forestry activity if that activity is now covered by the NES for Plantation Forestry. However, if a consent is required under the NES for Plantation Forestry then the policies will be relevant.

When the updates were made:

The updates to the Proposed Hurunui District Plan were completed at the time of the 1 May 2018 implementation date for the NES for Plantation Forestry.

It is noted that the changes have been made to the Proposed Hurunui District Plan only, and not the Operative Hurunui District Plan. This is because the Proposed Hurunui District Plan has had all appeals resolved and so is treated as operative. The final approval of the Proposed Hurunui District Plan will be sought at the 31 May Council meeting, and the plan will become operative in June 2018.

Charging for permitted activities

A permitted activity is one that can be undertaken without requiring resource consent, and the proposed NES for Plantation Forestry has a range of permitted activities.

The NES for Plantation Forestry includes a provision whereby councils are able to charge for the monitoring of permitted activities related to earthworks; river crossings; forestry quarrying and harvesting.

Currently, the Council's Fees and Charges Schedule includes:

- an hourly fee for resource consent monitoring; and
- an hourly fee for all other resource management processing, including inspections.

There is not a specific charge for the monitoring of permitted activities under an NES. If the Council does wish to establish such a charge then this would need to be done under the usual process of adding to the Fees and Charges Schedule.

It is proposed for Council Officers to observe over the next year the amount of monitoring work for permitted activities under the NES for Plantation Forestry. If it is decided that a monitoring fee would be appropriate, then this can be incorporated into the next review of the Fees and Charges Schedule.

**Significance and
Engagement
Consideration**

The significance of this issue is considered to be low, given that the rules related to forestry activity are likely to affect a small number of parties – primarily forestry companies. The main aim of the NES for Plantation Forestry is to provide nationally consistent regulations to manage the environmental effects of forestry activities, so it should make it easier for forestry companies to operate within any local authority area, and particularly across local authority boundaries.

The Council's website has been updated advising of the implementation of the NES for Plantation Forestry and the changes to the District Plan.

**Report Prepared
by:**


Stephanie Chin
Policy Planner

**Report Reviewed
by:**


Judith Batchelor
Manager, Regulatory Services

**Officer in
Attendance:**

The Manager Regulatory Services will be in attendance to speak to this report.

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING REPORT



To: Regulatory Committee
 Report Prepared by: Kelly Marchant – District Licensing Committee Secretary
 Date: 16 August 2018
 Significance Level: Low

District Licensing Committee Update

Recommendation THAT THE INFORMATION BE RECEIVED.

Executive Summary This is to update the Committee on the activities of the District Licensing Committee for the months April 2018 to June 2018.

Background As of 18 December 2013, the function of the District Licensing Committee has been to consider and determine all applications for new and the renewal of licences and managers certificates.

As a Committee of Council, quarterly reports are produced to update the Council on all activities undertaken by the District Licensing Committee.

As requested at the meeting of the Regulatory Committee on 11 August 2016 – 6 monthly financial breakdown of figures are also included in this report.

Activity undertaken by the licensing committee in the period April to June 2018.

The chair of the District Licensing Committee (and the quorum when necessary) determine all unopposed applications or approve the applications via email.

April 2018	On the Papers	
Chairperson	Managers Certificate (renewal)	5
	Managers Certificates (new)	3
	Off , On or Club -licence (renewal)	4
	Off , On or Club -licence (new)	0
	Special licence	5
Full Committee	Temporary Authority	1

May 2018	On the Papers	
Chairperson	Managers Certificate (renewal)	7
	Managers Certificates (new)	7
	Off , On or Club -licence (renewal)	7
	Off , On or Club -licence (new)	1
	Special licence	9
Full Committee	Temporary Authority	4

June 2018	On the Papers	
Chairperson	Managers Certificate (renewal)	2
	Managers Certificates (new)	6
	Off , On or Club -licence (renewal)	1

	Off , On or Club -licence (new)	2
	Special licence	1
Full Committee	Temporary Authority	1

DLC Hearings

One Hearing has been held during this period on 21 May 2018.

CPO Results

There has not been a Controlled Purchase Operation during this period.

Alcohol Licensing budget to date

A breakdown of income and expenditure of the Licensing budget for the last six months to the end of financial year.

		Actual YTD To June 2018	Budget Full Year
Income	• General Rates	\$53,125.11	\$55,692
	• Licensing fees	\$134,734.05	\$125,000
Expenditure	• Salaries & Wages	\$137,940.62	\$118,953.00
	• Legal Fees	\$5,237.00	\$5,000
	• Operating Costs	\$27,037.15	\$32,548.00
	• Refunds to ARLA	\$9,307.82	\$10,476.00
	• DLC Costs	\$4,077.38	\$11,600.00


Report Prepared by:

Kelly Marchant
District Licensing Committee Secretary


Report Reviewed by:

Judith Batchelor
Manager Regulatory Services

Officer in Attendance:

The report author will not be in attendance to speak to this report.

Committee Name	REGULATORY COMMITTEE
Type of Committee	Council Committee
Subordinate to	Council
Subordinate Committees	None
Legislative basis	Committee reconstituted by the Council as per Schedule 7, Section 30 (1) (A), LGA 2002. Committee delegated powers by the Council as per Schedule 7, Section 32, LGA 2002
Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mayor (1) • Four councillors (4)
Delegations	<p>The Council delegates to the Committee responsibility for governance in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource Management: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Resource Management Act 1991 ○ Relevant sections of part xxi Local Government Act 1974 relating to private roads and private ways (<i>roading parts of the 1974 Act are still in force</i>) • Dog and Stock Control: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dog Control Act 1996 ○ Impounding Act 1955 • Health: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Health Act 1956 ○ Food Act 2014 ○ Auctioneers Act 1928 • Sale of alcohol: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 ○ Winemakers Act 1981 • Swimming pools: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987 • Building: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Building Act 1991/ Building Act 2004 • Litter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Litter Act 1979 • Parking: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Transport Act 1962 • Freedom Camping: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Freedom Camping Act 2011 <p>Governance in the above areas will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring activities. • Preparation of submissions to relevant bills, discussion and policy documents, for recommendation to the Council. • Variations to budgets within the Long Term Plan provisions. • Approval of tenders for contracts (within the delegations of this committee), within budget which exceed officer authorisation. • Waiver of fees and charges.

Limits to Delegations

- To determine the policy, planning and strategic direction with regard to the District Plan, including Council initiated and private plan changes; and to make decisions on District Plan changes exclusive of making them operative.
- To approve commissioners and/or panels of elected members for resource management hearings.
- To conduct statutory hearings on regulatory matters under the above Acts.
- Policy, planning and strategic direction in the governance areas identified above.

Matters that cannot be delegated by the Council include:

- the power to make a rate.
- the power to make a bylaw.
- the power to borrow money, or purchase or dispose of assets, other than in accordance with the long-term plan.
- the power to adopt a long-term plan, annual plan, annual report or strategic plan.
- the power to appoint a chief executive.
- the power to adopt policies required to be adopted and consulted on under this Act in association with the long-term plan or developed for the purpose of the local governance statement.
- the power to adopt a remuneration and employment policy.

Significance and Public Engagement Consideration

(Guidelines from Hurunui District Council's 'Significance and Engagement' Policy)

The Council, in considering each matter, must be:

- a. Satisfied that it has sufficient information about the practicable options and their benefits, costs and impacts, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions.
- b. Satisfied that it knows enough about and will give adequate consideration to the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decisions to be made.

Questions

- a. Does the Council have sufficient information about the issue, proposal, decisions or other matter?
- b. Does the issue, proposal, decisions or other matter:
 - Affect all or a large portion of the community in a far-reaching way?
 - Have a potential impact or consequence on the affected persons (being a number of persons) that is substantial?
 - Have financial implications on the Council's resources that would be substantial?
 - Generate (or would be expected to generate) a high degree of controversy?
 - Have any impact on Council's capacity to undertake its statutory responsibilities?
 - Fail to flow logically or consequentially from a decision in the Council's Long Term Plan?

Significance Evaluation

Council officers preparing these reports will have regard to Council's policy on significance. Councillors will make the final assessment on whether the subject under consideration is to be regarded as being significant or not. Unless the Council explicitly determines that the subject under consideration is to be deemed significant then the subject will be deemed as not being significant.

Engagement Consideration

Council officers preparing these reports will also have regard to appropriate public engagement according to the level of significance. Officers will use the Engagement Spectrum shown in the table below alongside the Significance and Engagement Policy to help identify and recommend the engagement level.

Engagement Spectrum				
Inform	Consult	Involve	Collaborate	Empower
To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions	To obtain public feedback on analysis, alternatives and/or decisions	To work directly with the public throughout the process to ensure that public concerns and aspirations are consistently understood and considered	To partner with the public in each aspect of the decision including the development of alternatives and the identification of the preferred solution	To place final decision making in the hands of the public