



Notification of summary of submissions

Whangarei District Council gives notice that it has prepared a **summary** of all decisions requested by people making submissions on the following proposed plan change:

Plan Change 110 – Noise and Vibration: Plan Change 110 proposes to introduce a new chapter with objectives, policies, rules and new definitions for noise and vibration at a District Wide level. It encompasses a number of consequential changes and deletions to existing provisions in the District Plan. The provisions are based on a technical report and recommendations from Council's Noise Consultant. They are designed to make the District Plan's noise and vibration provisions consistent with best practice, and to maintain noise and vibration levels that uphold the health and safety of people and communities, and the amenity values of the Environment in which they are located. Key features of the plan change are:

- Updates to noise standards and terminology to align with best practice.
- Changes to noise limits for the Living 1, 2, 3, Countryside, Coastal Countryside, Urban Transition and Open Space Environments.
- Changes to the night time noise limits in Business 1, 2, 3 and Town Basin Environments.
- Incorporate a sound insulation requirement for bedrooms in residential units within the Business 1, 2, 3 and Town Basin Environments.
- Establish different noise limits for interface areas between Business and Living Environments.
- Introduction of noise provisions for specific activities that are currently not adequately provided for in the District Plan.
- Reference to the following documents currently not included in the District Plan: NZS 6801: 2008 "*Acoustics – Measurement of Environmental Sound*"; NZS 6802: 2008 "*Acoustics – Environmental Noise*"; NZS 6806: 2010 "*Acoustics – Road Traffic Noise – new and altered roads*" and; NZS 6808: 2010 "*Acoustics – Wind Farm Noise*".

Pursuant to Section 86B of the Resource Management Act 1991, Whangarei District Council has resolved that all the rules in Plan Change 110 shall have legal effect only once the proposed plan change becomes operative in accordance with Clause 20 of Schedule 1 to the RMA Act.

Public Inspection

The summary of submissions and copies of the full submissions may be inspected from **Tuesday 24 February 2015** onwards at Whangarei District Council Service Centres at Forum North, Rust Avenue, Whangarei; Ruakaka Service Centre, Takutai Place, Ruakaka; Whangarei Central Library, Rust Avenue, Whangarei; Kamo Library, Kamo Road, Kamo; Onerahi Library, Commins Road, Onerahi; Tikipunga Library, Paramount Parade, Tikipunga; and on Council's website at www.wdc.govt.nz/PlanChanges

Please contact Council's Policy and Monitoring Department if you have any questions about the proposal.

Further submissions

Any person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest; any person who has an interest in the proposed plan change greater than the interest that the general public has; and Whangarei District Council itself may make further submissions. A further submission must be limited to a matter in support or in opposition to the relevant submission. The person making a further submission must within five (5) working days of making the further submission to Council, serve a copy of the further submission on the submitter to which the further submission relates.

Further submissions must be made in writing. Further submission forms are available at the locations listed above, or by contacting Council's Policy and Monitoring Department. Please use the form provided, or a similar format that complies with Resource Management Act regulations.

The closing date for further submissions is 4:00pm, Tuesday 10 March 2015

Further submissions should be sent to

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Attention: Policy and Monitoring Department
Fax: (09) 438 7632

Delivered to Whangarei District Council Offices, Forum North, Rust Avenue, Whangarei or emailed to mailroom@wdc.govt.nz.

This notice is given pursuant to Clause 7 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991.