



Notification of Proposed Plan Change

Whangarei District Council gives notice that it has prepared proposed **Plan Change 129 - NPT Notable and Public Trees (PC129)** to the Whangarei District Plan.

PC129 proposes to replace the operative Whangarei District Plan "Heritage Tree" provisions in chapters 14, 59 and Appendix 2 with one district wide chapter titled "Notable and Public Trees (NPT)" that relates to the protection of individual trees or groups of trees.

PC129 includes specific proposed changes to the operative Whangarei District Plan text and maps. In summary, these include:

- The deletion of chapters 14, 59 and Appendix 2 of the District Plan.
- New Resource Area Chapter with objectives, policies and rules for the management of Notable and Public Trees.
- Changes to the Resource Area Map series.
- Consequential changes to the WDP text.

Public Inspection

The proposal may be inspected from Wednesday, 9 May 2018 onwards on the Council's website at: www.wdc.govt.nz/planchanges and at Whangarei District Council Service Centres at Forum North, Rust Avenue, Whangarei; Ruakaka Service Centre, Takutai Place, Ruakaka and Whangarei Central Library, Rust Avenue, Whangarei.

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

Submissions

Any person may make a submission on the proposal. Submissions can be made in writing or electronically. Submissions must be made on the Proposed Plan Change Submission Form 5, or a similar format that complies with Resource Management Act Regulations 2003 and must state whether you wish to be heard on the submission. Copies of this form are available on the Council's website, at the locations listed above, or by contacting Council's Policy and Monitoring Department.

The closing date for submissions is 4pm on Friday, 8 June 2018.

Submissions should be posted to:

Whangarei District Council
Private Bag 9023
WHANGAREI 0148
Attention: Policy and Monitoring Department

Faxed to: 09 438 7632

Delivered to: Whangarei District Council Offices, Forum North, Rust Avenue, Whangarei.

Emailed to: mailroom@wdc.govt.nz.

Public Participation Process

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

- After the closing date for submissions, Whangarei District Council must prepare a summary of the submissions and this summary must be publicly notified.
- There must be an opportunity to make a further submission in support of, or in opposition to, the submissions already made.
- If a person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held.
- Whangarei District Council must give its decision on the proposal (including its reasons for accepting or rejecting submissions).
- Any person who has made a submission has the right to appeal the decision on the proposal to the Environment Court.

This notice is given pursuant to Clause 5 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE