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Submission Number	Name	Address for Service	Wishes to be heard
1	Karan August	DNS	DNS

Supports Plan Change 50.

Decision Requested:

- 1. There should be no "loop holes" for easy avoidance of the protection of this shared resource.
- 2. Protect the shopping area.
- 3. Include the need to consult with the Aro Valley's Residents Association.

2	Anthony Hood	P.O Box 10287	Yes
		The Terrace	
		Wellington	

Opposes the changes as the District Plan is becoming too prescriptive. The Plan should not be concerned with demolition unless it is a defined heritage building but with what replaces it.

Decision Requested:

- 1. Demolition of Pre1930's buildings should be allowed.
- 2. Urban renewal should be encouraged.
- 3. Council officers should apply the thinking appropriate to the time.

3	Angus Lonie	206 Aro St	No
		Wellington	

Have regard to the impact existing resources any buildings may have in particular garaging on recent development in Aro street will have on pedestrian and traffic flows. Even a smallish infill development has a disproportionate impact on traffic and pedestrian flows. Balconies and garages detract from the low profile of existing buildings.

- 1. Discretion should focus on the unique characteristics of Aro St.
- 2. That bulk and massing be included as a discretionary activity.

4	Ann Margaret Cook	31 Epuni	No
		Aro Valley St	
		Wellington	



Supports the proposed changes to amend boundaries and include a Pre-1930's demolition rule.

Decision Requested:

- 1. Approve District Plan Change 50.
- 2. Include the "Suburban Centre" (Shops) within the rules and ensure that redevelopment is consistent with the current scale.

5	Sian Rose Collins and Peter	143 Abel Smith St	No
	James McDonald	Aro Valley	
		Wellington	

Support the introduction of a pre 1930's Demolition Rule and proposed boundary adjustments. Concern that the proposed boundary adjustments would put Abel Smith Street into two separate parts of the Plan with different development and demolition rules and may result in the development of the northern side of the street that is out of character with the southern side.

Decision Requested:

- 1. Amend the District Plan so that all properties within the new amended Appendix 9 boundary will require resource consent to demolish of remove any pre-1930's building.
- 2. Amend Appendix 9 boundary to cover the properties on the northern side of Abel Smith Street as far east as the Inner city bypass (including Inverlochy place) to take in buildings on both sides of Abel Smith Street.

6	Nathan Hickey	3/5 The terrace	No
		Wellington	

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7	Andrew Walker	22 Epuni St,	No
		Te Aro	
		Wellington	

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		Aro Valley	
		Wellington 6021	

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9	Jaquilin Tutt	25 Epuni St	Yes
		Aro Valley	
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12	Clive Lyttle	15 Epuni St	No
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14	Alan Joseph Fairless	P O Box 27435	No
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17	Janet Dunn	106 Aro St	No
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18	Michael John Robertson	3 Levina Ave	No
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19	New Zealand Historic Places	Laura Paynter	No
	Trust	Heritage Advisor	
		P O Box 19173	
		Wellington	

Supports the intent of protecting historic heritage but this should be made explicit in the District Plan.

Decision Requested:

Include an additional matter for discretion as follows:

5.3.11.2 Effects on historic heritage

20	Victoria University	Jenny Bently	Yes
		Director Facilities Management	
		Victoria University of Wellington	
		Private Bag	
		Wellington	

Opposes the inclusion of properties it owns/manages on Landcross St, Adams Terrace and Upper Aro St within the demolition rule and changes to buildings. The controls represent significantly more onerous regulations for Victoria University and the Crown creating uncertainty and additional costs and the application of the controls would unnecessarily inhibit the university's ability to efficiently utilise its assets.

While the elevated area of Admas Terrace/Landcross St contributes to the wider views and character of Aro Valley it is visually distinctive and relatively remote from the core valley area. Therefore the detailed focus of the proposed controls on streetscape and external appearance of buildings in inappropriate in respect of these properties.

The definition of key terms creates an onerous level of uncertainty and the condition of a number of these buildings does not make it feasible for their retention or refurbishment.

Changes to the multi-unit design guide would make it more difficult to provide for a more intensive form of development of Victoria Unitversity's land holdings in that it could be interpreted as requiring a low density desin response. Many of Victoria Universities houses are old with significant amounts of deferred maintenance ands the ability to exercise a modest level of intensity in the redevelopment of these properties would enhance amenity values.

- 1. Amend to exclude the properties Victoria University properties in Adams Terrace, Landcoss St and Upper Aro St from the proposed controls on demolition and changes to building.
- 2. Amend to exclude the properties from the multi-unit design guide



3. Make all applications under Rule 5.3.11 (d	demolition) non-notified.
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4. Other relief that would satisfy the concerns of the University.

21	Stephen Sargent	3B/19 Maida Vale Road	No
		Roseneath	
		Wellington	

Oppose the provision of Proposed Plan Change 50 as aspects of the District Plan provide for the protection of existing buildings and allow provisions for new innovative designs.

Decision Requested:

Retention of the status quo.

22	Aro Valley Community	Aro Valley Community Council Inc	Yes
	Council	48 Aro St	
		Aro Valley	
		Wellington	

Support Plan Change 50 with the proviso that there are certain modifications.

Decision Requested:

- 1. Include demolition controls and boundary adjustments for Aro Valley as proposed by Plan Change 50.
- 2. Include the Aro Valley shopping centre in the Pre-1930's demolition rule.
- 3. Revisit the provision applying to that part of the Central Area between Aro Valley and the Inner City Bypass.
- 4. Extend the area to which the demolition rule applies westwards to encompass Holloway Rd, Norway, Thule and Entrance Streets.
- 5. Apply the more sensitive bulk and location requirements to multi unit developments within the old CURA boundary (now Appendix 9A) to the wider Appendix 9 (new) boundary.
- 6. Include assessment criteria that require demolitions and new developments to include the extent of protection and enhancement of green space within the site.
- 7. Clarify whether the Aro Valley Design Guide applies to single dwellings.
- 8. Make the design references applying to Appendix 9 more effective by recognising the existences of well defined sub areas where there is a strong clustering of similar types of buildings.
- 9. Include a reference to the desirability of applicants consulting with the Aro Valley Community Council on planning matters (similar to that in place for the Thorndon and Mt Victoria Residents Association's).

23	Diana Sugate	16 Durham St	No
		Aro Valley	
		Wellington	

Support the introduction of a pre 1930's Demolition Rule and proposed boundary adjustments.

- 1. Include the shopping centre within the demolition rule.
- 2. Include a requirement that Aro Valley Community Council be consulted over resource consents.
- 3. Include more protection of green areas especially when town houses are built.

24	Brent Lincoln Efford	1 Boston Terrace	No
		Aro Valley	



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25	Julia Brooke White	129 Aro St	No
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27	Barbara Jean Harrison	48 Aro St	No
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28	Lisa Thompson	195 Aro St	No
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- 6. Strengthen the Design Guide rules for greater protection for more diverse heritage issues.

29	Kay Larsen	PO Box 27-096	No
		Wellington	

Support Proposed District Plan Change 50,

- 1. Include demolition controls and boundary adjustments for Aro Valley as proposed by Plan Change 50.
- 2. Include a provision relating to the retention of well established greenery and trees as they contribute to the "Aro Valley" character.
- 3. Controls on townhouses are a good idea.