

Decisions on District Plan Changes

The Council has made a decision on the following plan changes:

- District Plan Change 72 – Residential Review
- District Plan Change 73 – Suburban Centre Review

Plan Change 72 is a full review of the residential chapters of the District Plan. It builds on the provisions of the operative District Plan, with the following key changes:

- Two new medium density residential areas (formerly referred to as ‘Areas of Change’) surrounding the Johnsonville and Kilbirnie town centres
- A new character area to recognise the unique character of Wellington’s ‘residential coastal edge’
- Amendments to the Inner Residential Area rules covering the demolition of buildings built prior to 1930 to make them more effective
- Amendments to other policies, rules, definitions and planning maps to improve effectiveness.

Plan Change 73 is a full review of the Suburban Centre chapters of the District Plan. Key changes proposed include:

- Splitting the current Suburban Centre zone into two new zones, Centres and Business Areas, to recognise their differing roles, and better manage the activities that locate in these areas
- Increased policy guidance regarding urban design and the management of retail activities
- The introduction of a new design guides for Centres and Business Areas to help improve the quality of new development
- Rezoning of some parcels of land to better reflect existing uses
- Amendments to other policies, rules, definitions and planning maps to improve effectiveness.

The full text of these decisions are available for inspection during working hours at:

- the City Service Centre, 101 Wakefield Street
- city libraries
- www.Wellington.govt.nz/plans/index.html

Notice of the decision is given under Clause 10 of the First Schedule to the Resource Management Act 1991. From the date of this notice the proposed plan changes are amended in accordance with these decisions.

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