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Te Kaupapa

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The Wellington City District Plan (the District Plan) has been prepared by Wellington City Council (the Council) in accordance with the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA). The District Plan assists Wellington City Council in meeting its functions under the RMA.

Wellington City Council is a territorial authority and its functions are set out in section 31 of the RMA. Its functions include:

1. Achieving integrated management of the effects of the use, development and protection of land and associated natural and physical resources of the City;
2. Controlling the effects of the use, development and protection of land, including in respect of natural hazards, the subdivision, use and development of contaminated land and indigenous biodiversity;
3. Controlling noise and the effects of activities on the surface of waterbodies; and
4. Ensuring that there is sufficient development capacity in respect of housing and business land to meet the expected demands of the City.

To fulfil these functions, the Draft District Plan includes objectives, policies, rules and standards that manage how land is used, developed and subdivided in Wellington City. These provisions are supported by Design Guides which are part of the District Plan and have statutory weight through the resource consent process. The exception is the Papakāinga Design Guide, which is non-statutory.