

## Auckland Unitary Plan Proposed Plan Change 78 – Intensification

Auckland Council has prepared Proposed Plan Change 78 Intensification (the Proposal) to the Auckland Unitary Plan (Operative in Part) under Parts 1 and 6 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA), which is the Council's intensification planning instrument.

The proposal seeks to include provisions in the Auckland Unitary Plan (Operative in Part) that incorporate the Medium Density Residential Standards as contained in Schedule 3A of the RMA in relevant residential zones, and to give effect to Policies 3 and 4 of the National Policy Statement – Urban Development 2020 – updated May 2022.

The proposal may be viewed at [www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/planchanges](http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/planchanges). If you have any questions about the proposal, please contact: Eryn Shields, Team Leader Planning on 09 301 0101.

The following persons may make a submission on the proposal:

- The local authority in its own area may make a submission; and
- Any other person may make a submission. However, if the person could gain an advantage in trade competition through the submission, then the person can only make a submission if the person is directly affected by an effect of the proposal that –
  - adversely affects the environment; and
  - does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

You may make a submission on the proposal by sending an electronic or a written submission to

- Auckland Council, Unitary Plan Private Bag 92300, Auckland 1142, Attention: Planning Technician, or
- By using the electronic form on the Auckland Council website at [www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/planchanges](http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/planchanges), or
- By email to: [unitaryplan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:unitaryplan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz) ;or
- Lodging your submission in person at Auckland Council, Libraries or offices

The submission must be in [form 5](#) and must state whether or not you wish to be heard in relation to your submission. Copies of this form are available at [www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/planchanges](http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/planchanges) or can be collected from any Library or Council Office.

Submissions must be received by **29 September 2022**

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

- after the closing date for submissions, Auckland Council must prepare a summary of decisions requested by submitters and give public notice of the availability of this summary and where the summary and submissions can be inspected; and
- there must be an opportunity for the following persons to make a further submission in support of, or in opposition to, the submissions already made:
  - any person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest;
  - any person who has an interest in the proposal greater than the general public has;
  - the local authority itself; and
- if a person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held that is convened by an independent hearings panel; and
- the independent hearings panel must provide its recommendations on the IPI (the proposal) to Auckland Council; and
- Auckland Council must accept or reject the recommendations of the independent hearings panel. The Council's decisions on recommendations must be notified by 31 March 2024; and
- For any recommendation of the independent hearings panel that is rejected, the Council must provide: (a) the rejected recommendation; (b) the Council's reasons for rejecting the recommendation; and (c) the Council's alternative recommendation – to the Minister for the Environment to make a decision; and

- There is no right of appeal against any decision or action of the Minister for the Environment or Auckland Council in making decisions on the independent hearings panel recommendations in relation to the Proposal.

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