

**Auckland Unitary Plan
Variation 4 to Proposed Plan Change 60: Open Space**

Auckland Council has prepared the following variation to Plan Change 60: Open Space under clauses 34(2) and (4), Part 5, Schedule 12 to the Resource Management Act 1991(RMA)

Variation 4 is a variation to Plan Change 60: Open Space (a council initiated plan change) to incorporate the medium density residential standards (MDRS) as required by section 77G(3) of the RMA.

The variation may be viewed at www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/planchanges. If you have any questions about the variation, please contact: Tony Reidy Senior Policy Planner on 09 301 0101.

The following persons may make a submission on the variation:

- 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 by sending a written or electronic submission to Auckland Council at:

- 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, or
- By email to: 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 to download at www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/planchanges or can be collected from any Library or Council office.

Submissions close on 29 September 2022.

The process for public participation in the consideration of the variation under the RMA is as follows.

- after the closing date for submission, 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 by the Independent Hearings Panel; and
- The variation must use the ISPP to incorporate the MDRS, and the Independent Hearings Panel must make recommendations to the Council in relation to Variation 4; and
- Auckland Council must notify its decision on the IHP recommendations by 31 March 2024.

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Notification date: 18 August 2022