

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notification of Proposed District Plan Change 13 to the City of Lower Hutt District Plan

Clause 5 of the First Schedule – Part 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991

Hutt City Council has prepared:

Proposed District Plan Change 13 - Temporary Activities and Filming

Proposed Plan Change 13 introduces two new chapters to the General Rules of the District Plan – Chapter 14J Temporary Activities and Chapter 14K Filming. There are two key issues that this Proposed Plan Change endeavours to address:

- to ensure that temporary activities (such as special events, festivals and parades) and filming are provided for adequately by the District Plan; and
- to ensure any adverse effects on the environment from temporary activities and filming are avoided, remedied or mitigated.

Currently, there are no specific provisions for temporary activities or filming in the District Plan. This means any scale of temporary activity or filming activity occurring in Hutt City usually needs a resource consent before it can commence. It is considered by the Council that filming and temporary activities have considerable positive social, cultural and economic effects for local communities and the City. However, it is important to the Council that any negative effects on the environment generated by temporary activities and filming, such as amenity, noise and traffic, are managed to an acceptable level.

The proposed amendments include the addition of Chapters 14J (Temporary Activities) and 14K (Filming), which provide for temporary activities and filming as permitted activities in all Activity Areas subject to permitted activity conditions, such as maximum duration and maximum noise limits. The proposed amendments also involve minor changes to the rules in Chapters 3 (Definitions), 7A (General Recreation), 7C (River Recreation) and 14A (Transport)

Documentation for Proposed Plan Change 13 consists of five parts and can be inspected at:

- All Hutt City Council Libraries, and
- Customer Services Counter, Council Administration Building, 30 Laings Road, Lower Hutt.

Alternatively, copies of the documentation are available on the Council website

- <http://www.huttcity.govt.nz/publications-forms/District-Plan/Plan-Changes>

Copies can also be requested by contacting the Environmental Policy Division:

- Phone: 04 570 6666
- Email: ppc13@huttcity.govt.nz

If you have any questions please contact the Environmental Policy Division, Rachel Helme on telephone (04) 5706905, email rachel.helme@huttcity.govt.co.nz or Chloe Smith on (04) 5706996, email chloe.smith@huttcity.govt.co.nz

Submissions close on TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2009 at 5.00pm

Any person may make a submission on Proposed Plan Change 13. You may do so by sending a written submission to Council:

- Post: Environmental Policy Division, Hutt City Council, Private Bag 31912, Lower Hutt
- Deliver: Council Administration Building, 30 Laings Road, Lower Hutt
- Fax: (04) 566 7098;
- Email: ppc13@huttcity.govt.nz

The submission must be written in accordance with Form 5 as prescribed by the Act and must state whether or not you wish to be heard in respect of your submission. Copies of Form 5 (EP-Form-309) are available from all of the above locations and the Council website.

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

- after the closing date for submissions, Hutt City Council must prepare a summary of the submissions and this summary must be publicly notified; and
- there must be an opportunity to make a further submission in support of, or in opposition to, the submissions already made; and
- if a person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held; and
- Hutt City Council must give its decision on the proposal (including its reasons for accepting or rejecting submissions); and
- any person who has made a submission has the right to appeal the decisions on the proposal to the Environment Court.

Tony Stallinger
Chief Executive

4 August 2009