

Public Notice

Proposed Plan Changes to the Operative Matamata-Piako District Plan

Pursuant to the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991 (Clause 5) the Matamata-Piako District Council hereby publicly notifies proposed changes to the Operative Matamata-Piako District Plan.

The proposed changes are:

Proposed Plan Change 33 – Local and General Election Signage Review seeks to align the temporary sign rules for General and Local Elections in the Matamata-Piako District Plan with the Electoral Act 1993 and the Electoral (Advertisements of a Specified Kind) Regulations 2005.

The proposed plan change can be inspected during business hours at the following locations:

- Council Office, 35 Kenrick Street, Te Aroha
- Council Office and Morrinsville Library, Canada Street, Morrinsville
- Council Office, Cnr Tainui and Tui Street, Matamata
- Te Aroha Library, Rewi Street, Te Aroha
- Matamata Library, Tui Street, Matamata
- Council website www.mpdc.govt.nz

Any person is entitled to make a submission on any of the proposed plan change. The closing date for receiving submissions is 17 March 2010. Submissions should be addressed to the following:

Chief Executive
Matamata-Piako District Council
PO Box 266
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The submission must be dated, signed by you and include the following information:

- a) Your name, postal address, telephone number and fax number (if applicable);
- b) Reference to the proposed plan change in respect of which the submission is being made;
- c) Whether you support or oppose the proposed plan change;
- d) Reasons for your submission;
- e) Whether or not you wish to be heard in support of the submission;
- f) The decision you wish Council to make.

A submission form is available at Council Offices. Enquires should be directed to Michael Payne on (07) 884 0060 or by emailing mpayne@mpdc.govt.nz

The process for public participation in the consideration of the Plan Change under the Resource Management Act 1991 is as follows:

- After the closing of submission, the Matamata-Piako District Council must prepare a summary of the submissions and this summary must be publicly notified; and
- There must be an opportunity to make further submission in support of, or in opposition to submissions already made (further submitters are limited to any person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest or any person who has an interest in the proposed plan change greater than the interest that the general public has)
- If a person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held; and
- The Matamata-Piako District Council must give its decision on the proposal including the reasons for accepting or rejecting the submission; and
- Any person who has made a submission has the right to appeal the decision on the proposal to the Environment Court.

DJ McLeod
Chief Executive Officer