

Availability of Summary of Decisions Requested and Further Submission Period for Variation 1 to the Hamilton City Proposed District Plan: Ruakura Variation

Clause 7 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991

On 11 November 2015, Hamilton City Council notified a Variation to the Hamilton City Proposed District Plan October 2015 Appeals Version. The initial round of submissions closed on 18 December 2015.

The purpose of the Variation is to integrate the Board of Inquiry Decision (epa.govt.nz) with the Proposed District Plan provisions to create one planning framework for the Ruakura area. This Variation applies to 822ha of land in Ruakura. Key elements of the Variation include:

- An Inland Port and surrounding Logistics Zoning
- Creation of an Industrial Park Zoning
- Provision for a Knowledge Zone which includes the University of Waikato, AgResearch and Waikato Innovation Park areas
- Provision for a mix of residential zonings
- Extensive open space areas

Council has prepared a summary of all decisions requested by persons who have made submissions on the Variation during the original submission period. The Summary of Decisions requested, together with the original submissions received, are now available for public viewing.

The Variation, summary of submissions and copies of the submissions may be viewed at:

- Hamilton City Council, Garden Place
- Any Hamilton City Library
- Hamilton City Council website hamilton.govt.nz/ruakura

How can I become involved?

Council now invites further submissions from the public. **Further submissions close at 4:30pm, Wednesday 2 March 2016.**

A further submission can **only** be made in support of, or in opposition to, another person's submission. It provides an opportunity for you to assess how the original submission may affect you, and to have your views considered by Council. The Resource Management Act 1991 states that only the following persons may make a further submission:

- Any person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest; and
- Any person that has an interest in the proposed plan greater than the interest the general public has; and
- The local authority itself.

Further submissions can be made:

- Online at hamilton.govt.nz/ruakura; or
- Download a hard copy further submission form online or pick up a further submission form from the Council in Garden Place or Hamilton City Libraries. You must state in your submission form whether you wish to be heard in support of your submission. Hard copy completed submission forms are to be emailed to districtplan@hcc.govt.nz, or sent to:
City Planning Unit
Hamilton City Council
Private Bag 3010
Hamilton 3240

A copy of your further submission **must** be served on the person who made the original submission **within 5 working days** after lodging the further submission with Council (addresses for correspondence are available on the original submissions which can be viewed online at hamilton.govt.nz/ruakura and at the main Council building on request, during normal opening hours).

Process for Public Participation

- If a person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held; and
- Hamilton City Council must give its decision on the provisions and matters raised in the submissions (including its reasons for accepting or rejecting submissions) and give public notice of its decision within two years of notifying the Variation and serve it on every person who made a submission at the same time; and
- Any person who has made a submission has the right to appeal against the decision on the Variation to the Environment Court if:
 - In relation to a provision or matter that is the subject of the appeal, the person referred to the provision or matter in the person's submission on the Variation.

Please phone 07 838 6909 or email districtplan@hcc.govt.nz if you have any questions about the Variation.

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