

# Variation 1 to the Hamilton City Proposed District Plan: Ruakura Variation

## Clause 5 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991

Hamilton City Council has prepared a Variation to the Hamilton City Proposed District Plan October 2015 Appeals Version and is calling for submissions.

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

### The Variation may be viewed at:

- Hamilton City Council, Garden Place
- Any Hamilton City Library
- Hamilton City Council website [hamilton.govt.nz/ruakura](http://hamilton.govt.nz/ruakura)

### Making a Submission

Anyone can make a submission on the Variation. However, if the person could gain an advantage in trade competition through the submission, then the person may do so only if the person is directly affected by an effect of the Variation that adversely affects the environment, and does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

### Submissions can be made:

- Online at [hamilton.govt.nz/ruakura](http://hamilton.govt.nz/ruakura)
- Download a hard copy submission form online or pick up a 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. The relief you seek through your submission(s) must also be justified and fully explained.

Hard copy completed submission forms are to be sent to:

City Planning Unit  
Hamilton City Council  
Private Bag 3010  
Hamilton 3240

### Process for Public Participation

- After submissions have closed Hamilton City Council will prepare a summary of decisions requested by submitters and give public notice of the availability of this summary and where both the summary and submissions can be viewed; and
- There will 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;
  - Hamilton City Council itself; and
- 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.

A drop-in information session will be held on 17 November 2015 from 4:00pm–7:30pm at the Marist Rugby Club, 147 Old Farm Road, Hamilton East.

A hard copy of the Variation may also be purchased at Hamilton City Council's offices. Please phone 07 838 6909 or email [districtplan@hcc.govt.nz](mailto:districtplan@hcc.govt.nz) if you have any questions about the Variation.

**Submissions close on Friday 18 December 2015, at 4:30pm.**

[www.hamilton.govt.nz](http://www.hamilton.govt.nz)

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