

Public Notice of Plan Change 54: Papakāinga

Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991

Matamata-Piako District Council has prepared a proposed plan change to the Matamata-Piako District Plan under Schedule 1 to the Resource Management Act 1991(RMA).

This plan change seeks to enable papakāinga to meet the needs, desires and values of tangata whenua, while also managing potential adverse effects on the environment. Provision for papakāinga development is important to promote the economic, cultural and social health and wellbeing of the Māori community, and to achieve the matter of national importance of enabling Māori to establish and maintain their relationship, cultures and traditions with their ancestral lands.

The plan change may be viewed electronically or purchased at any Council office or library, or online at: mpdc.nz/papakāinga. Please contact Kumesh Naidu on (07) 884 0060 or email info@mpdc.govt.nz if you have any questions about the plan change.

The following persons may make a submission on the plan change:

- The Matamata-Piako District Council itself may make a submission.
- Any other person may make a submission. 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 plan change that adversely affects the environment and does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

You may make a submission to the Matamata-Piako District Council by completing a submission form online at mpdc.nz/papakāinga. Copies of the submission form are also available from the website and can be made available in hard copy.

The submission must be in accordance with Form 5 as set out in Schedule 1 of the Resource Management (Forms, Fees, and Procedure) Regulations 2003 and must state whether or not you wish to be heard on the submission.

Submissions close at 4.30pm on Thursday, 8 December 2022.

The process for public participation under the Resource Management Act 1991 is as follows:

- After the closing date for submission, the Matamata-Piako District 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.
- 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 a plan change greater than the general public has.
 - The Matamata-Piako District Council itself.
- If a person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held.
- The Matamata-Piako District 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 plan change and serve it on every person who made a submission at the same time.
- Any person who has made a submission has the right to appeal against the decision on a plan change 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 plan change.