

# PLAN CHANGE NO. 2 TO THE WAIPA DISTRICT PLAN

## PUBLIC NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO CLAUSES 17 AND 20 OF THE FIRST SCHEDULE OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

The Waipa District Council gives public notice that it has resolved that the following Plan Change to the Waipa District Plan, shall become operative on 14 October 2019.

Plan Change 2 amends the Waipa District Plan provisions to achieve the following:

- Ensure that protected trees are taken into account when undertaking development and subdivision;
- Require that appropriate street trees are planted along any new roads that are to be vested in Council;
- Enable private landowners to undertake minor pruning and maintenance of protected trees;
- Clarify the rules around permitted activity works to a protected tree;
- Change the assessment methodology for the assessment of protected trees from the Royal New Zealand Institute of Horticulture (RNZIH) method to the Standard Tree Evaluation Method (STEM);
- Set a threshold of 110 STEM points for a tree to be included on the Protected Tree list;
- Set a threshold of more than 138 STEM points for when an application to remove a Protected Tree requires public notification;
- Change the consent status for an application to remove a protected tree to Discretionary; and
- Broaden the assessment criteria for assessing an application to remove a protected tree to ensure that both the positive and negative aspects of the protected tree are considered in any such consent process.

As of the operative date, copies of the decision report on Plan Change 2 to the Waipa District Plan, along with the Waipa District Plan, are available for viewing in normal opening hours at the following places:

### **Council offices:**

- 101 Bank Street, Te Awamutu
- 23 Wilson Street, Cambridge

### **Council public libraries:**

- 106 Mahoe Street, Te Awamutu  
(entry via Selwyn Lane)
- 23 Wilson Street, Cambridge

The decision report and the Waipa District Plan can also be viewed at any time on the Council website, [www.waipadc.govt.nz](http://www.waipadc.govt.nz)

Any person wishing to obtain further information, or discuss aspects of the decision on the Waipa District Plan, may write to Waipa District Council, Private Bag 2402, Te Awamutu 3840, send an email to [info@waipadc.govt.nz](mailto:info@waipadc.govt.nz)

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