

# Pathways

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## Request

Kia Ora. Where did the Minister end up with the pathways . Did he accept Councils position .

## Council Response

The Minister's decision on Council alternative recommendations is [available here](#). The alternative for Residential Pathways was rejected and the IHP Recommendation accepted. This means that someone can choose to apply the previously operative residential zone controls or choose to apply the new residential zone controls introduced by PC14. For instance, if a site was previously Residential Suburban Density Transition (RSDT) and was re-zoned High Density Residential (HRZ), then RSDT controls would still be an option an applicant could choose to use. However, if applied, an applicant cannot then use HRZ controls at a later date, except if a vacant lot is created.