

Resource Management Act 1991

Christchurch District Plan

Proposed Plan Change



NOTE: The rule amendments proposed in this Plan Change **have no legal effect** until the Council's decision approving the Change is publicly notified (s 86B).

PAPAKĀINGA/KĀINGA NOHOANGA ZONE - RULE AMENDMENTS

Explanation

The purpose of Plan Change 8 is to revise the internal boundary setback, road setback, coverage and earthworks rules for Māori land in the Papakāinga/Kāinga Nohoanga zone, to better facilitate use and development of that land.

The Plan Change also proposes to extend the definition of Māori land which applies within the Papakāinga/Kāinga Nohoanga zone, to include general land owned by Māori within the zone which is not formally "Māori land" under the Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993 (TTWMA), but which is still owned by descendants of the original grantees of the Māori Reserve land under the Port Cooper, Port Levy or Akaroa Deeds of Purchase by the Crown in the mid 19th Century. This is proposed to be done, by adding to the definition of Māori Land in the District Plan, land owned by Maori which is in following categories:

- i) land where a status declaration under the Māori Affairs Amendment Act 1967 was made converting Māori freehold land to general title, and where there have been no subsequent changes of ownership;
- land where one or more owners are able to provide written evidence of Whakapapa to the original grantees of the land as confirmed by the Te Runanga o Ngāi Tahu Whakapapa Unit or the Māori Land Court;
- iii) land which is vested in a Trust or Maori incorporation under the TTWMA; and
- iv) land which is owned by Runanga with authority over the area in which the original Maori Reserve is located.

There is no effect on the status of the land under the TTWMA.

The extended definition of Maori land will enable the revised internal boundary setback, road setback, coverage and earthworks rules to apply to further areas owned by Maori within the Papakāinga/Kāinga Nohoanga zone.

Papakāinga/Kāinga Nohoanga zones are provided in the District Plan at Rapaki, Koukourārata (Port Levy), Wairewa (Little River), Ōpukutahi (near Wainui) and Ōnuku, and are intended to facilitate and enable Ngāi Tahu whanau use and development of that ancestral land i.e. "coming home to live". The zones correspond to the outer extent of the main concentrations of land in Christchurch District set aside as Māori Reserves in the mid 19th Century. Four of the zoned areas (those other than Opukutahi) are based around marae. There are some further smaller land areas in the District that are Māori Reserve land but without marae and which are not zoned as Papakāinga/Kāinga Nohoanga. This Plan Change has no effect on the planning status of Māori land or general land owned by Māori outside of the Papakāinga/Kāinga Nohoanga zones e.g. in rural zones in the District.

Land parcels in the Papakāinga/Kāinga Nohoanga zones are relatively fragmented. The current setbacks requirements for Maori land within these zones leave little or no buildable area on many of the smaller sites in the zones. These setback rules add an additional constraint on development, to existing constraints resulting from properties frequently being in multiple ownership.

The primary objective of the zone is to facilitate and enable Ngāi Tahu whanau use and development of ancestral land in the zone. This objective would be given better effect to by reducing setbacks for Māori land, and therefore providing more flexibility for building locations which do not require resource consent. Internal boundary setback breaches in particular cause difficulty for Māori land. Under the RMA, if limited notification is to be avoided each property owner adjoining that boundary must be notified and their written approval obtained. This is often very difficult to achieve in multiple ownership situations if comprehensive and up-to-date records of all the owners' contact details are not available, causing delays and a possible need for limited notification. Reducing internal boundary setbacks will improve this situation.

This Plan Change proposes to significantly reduce the current 15m road setback for buildings on Māori land to 3m, or 5m where the garage directly faces the road, and the current 10m internal boundary setback for buildings on Māori land to 2m. As this could result in adverse visual and privacy effects for neighbours in some cases, a recession plane is proposed on those internal boundaries between different landowners' properties to mitigate these effects, based on the standard Christchurch City recession plane rule.

In situations where there could be multiple buildings on communally owned land, the current coverage limit of 35% could be restrictive and it is proposed to increase it beyond what might otherwise be expected (to 50%), to recognise the unique nature of this form of land tenure, and an associated strong desire for kaitiakitanga. The current coverage rule also assumes residential land use when the zone provides for a wider range of land uses than purely residential.

A more generous earthworks allowance (the same as for residential zones) is also proposed for Māori land in the zone, where sites are below 2000m².

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DISTRICT PLAN AMENDMENTS

Note: For the purposes of this plan change, any text proposed to be added by the plan change as notified is shown as **bold underlined** and text to be deleted as **bold strikethrough**.

Text in <u>blue underlined</u> font identifies existing terms defined in Chapter 2 – Definitions and/or links to other provisions in the District Plan and/or external documents. These have pop-ups and links, respectively, in the on-line Christchurch District Plan. Where a term is defined in the newly added bold text it will show as <u>blue underlined</u> text in bold.

Chapter 2 – Definitions

Māori land

in relation to Chapter 12 Papakāinga/Kāinga Nohoanga Zone, means land with the following status:

- a. Māori communal Land gazetted <u>or determined by order of the Māori Land Court</u> as Māori reservation under <u>s</u>338 <u>Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993</u>; and
- Māori customary land and Māori freehold land as defined in <u>s</u>4 and <u>s</u>129 <u>Te Ture Whenua</u> <u>Māori Act 1993</u>; <u>and</u>
- c. Any land where:
 - i. <u>a status declaration under the Māori Affairs Amendment Act 1967 was made converting</u> <u>Māori freehold land to general title, and where there have been no changes of</u> <u>ownership since the conversion other than to an owner's bloodline successor(s); or</u>
 - ii. <u>one or more owners are able to provide written evidence of Whakapapa to the original</u> grantees of the land as confirmed by the Te Runanga o Ngāi Tahu Whakapapa Unit or <u>the Māori Land Court; or</u>
 - iii. <u>the land is vested in a Trust constituted pursuant to Part 12 of Te Ture Whenua Māori</u> <u>Act 1993 or a Māori incorporation constituted pursuant to Part 13 of the Te Ture</u> <u>Whenua Māori Act 1993; or</u>
 - iv. the land is owned by a Rūnanga with authority/mana over the area in which the original Māori reserve is located.

Chapter 8 – Subdivision, Development and Earthworks

8.9 Rules - Earthworks

- 8.9.2.1 Permitted activities- earthworks
- Table 9: Maximum volumes earthworks

Zone / Overlay		Volume
d. Residential <u>and</u> Papakāinga/Kāinga Nohoanga	 All residential zones. Māori land within the Papakāinga/Kāinga Nohoanga zone where sites have an area of 2000m² or less. 	20m³/ <u>site</u>
f. Rural and <u>Papakāinga/Kāinga</u> <u>Nohoanga</u>	 i. All rural zones <u>and non-Māori land within</u> <u>the Papakāinga/Kāinga Nohoanga zone</u> (excluding <u>excavation</u> and <u>filling</u> associated with <u>quarrying activities</u>). ii. <u>Māori land within the Papakāinga/Kāinga</u> <u>Nohoanga zone where sites have an area</u> <u>of more than 2000m².</u> 	100m³/ha

Chapter 12 – Papakāinga/Kāinga Nohoanga Zone

12.2.1 Objective - Use and development of Ngāi Tahu whānau ancestral land and other land

- a. Papakāinga/kāinga nohoanga zones facilitate and enable:
 - i. Ngāi Tahu whānau use and development of <u>Māori land</u> ancestral land to provide for kāinga nohoanga and their economic, social and cultural well-being and to exercise kaitiakitanga; and
 - ii. use and development of **<u>non-Māori</u>** land for activities appropriate in a rural area.

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12.2.1.4 Policy – Rural activities

a. Enable rural activities on any <u>non-Māori</u> land in a manner which is consistent with the <u>Rural</u> <u>Banks Peninsula Zone</u> provisions.

12.4.2 Built form standards - Māori Land

12.4.2.1 Internal boundary setback

- a. The minimum <u>setback</u> from internal <u>boundaries</u> for <u>buildings</u> and structures, shall be **19**<u>2</u> metres and shall apply at the legal <u>boundary</u> of any property where it adjoins another property which is not held in the same ownership or used for the same development.
- b. Any application arising from this rule shall not be publicly notified and may be limited notified only to directly abutting land owners (where the consent authority considers this is required, and absent written approval).

12.4.2.2 Road boundary setback

- a. The minimum <u>setback</u> distance for any <u>building</u> from the <u>road boundary</u> shall be <u>15</u> <u>3</u> metres, or <u>5 metres where a garage has a vehicle door that faces a road.</u>
- b. Any application arising from this rule shall not be publicly notified and may be limited notified only to directly abutting land owners (where the consent authority considers this is required, and absent written approval).

12.4.2.3 Building height

- a. The maximum <u>height</u> of any <u>building</u> shall be 9 metres. This standard shall not apply to art, carvings or other cultural symbols fixed to <u>Māori land</u> or to <u>buildings</u> on <u>Māori land</u>.
- b. Any application arising from this rule shall not be publicly notified and may be limited notified only to directly abutting land owners (where the consent authority considers this is required, and absent written approval).

12.4.2.4 Recession planes

- a. <u>Buildings and structures shall not project beyond a building envelope constructed by</u> recession planes from points 2.3m above the internal boundary, as shown in Appendix <u>14.16.2 Diagram B.</u>
- b. <u>The recession plane shall only apply to the midpoint of each section of wall and roof of a building, as shown in Appendix 14.16.2B.</u>
- c. <u>This rule shall only apply at the legal boundary of any property where it adjoins another</u> property which is not held in the same ownership or used for the same development.
- d. <u>Any application arising from this rule shall not be publicly notified and may be limited</u> notified only to directly abutting land owners (where the consent authority considers this is required, and absent written approval).

Advice note:

1. <u>Refer to Appendix 14.16.2 for permitted intrusions.</u>

12.4.2.54 Maximum coverage

- a. The maximum percentage of <u>net site area</u> covered by <u>buildings</u> shall be **35%**. **50%**.
- b. Any application arising from this rule shall not be publicly notified and may be limited notified only to directly abutting land owners (where the consent authority considers this is required, and absent written approval).

12.4.2.65 Water supply for firefighting

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12.4.3 Activity status and built form rules-non-Māori other land

a. In the Papakāinga /Kāinga Nohoanga Zone, on land which is not held as Māori land, the <u>activity status and built form</u> rules applicable to the Rural Banks Peninsula Zone apply.

Advice note:

The built form standards in Rule 12.4.2 do not apply to Rule 12.4.3.

Chapter 14 – Residential

Appendix 14.16.2 Recession planes

Add the following wording under Diagram B:

In the Residential Hills zone and on Māori land within the Papakāinga /Kāinga Nohoanga zone