

Memo

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DISTRUBUTION To: Local Board Members

SUBJECT: Proposed Plan change 26 - Clarifying the relationship between the Special Character Areas Overlay (Residential and General) and the underlying zones

Notification – Full notification

Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to inform you that proposed plan change 26 (Clarifying the relationship between the Special Character Areas Overlay (Residential and General) and the underlying zones) will be publicly notified on 30 May 2019. Staff have previously provided information at the local board cluster workshops in February 2019 about this proposed plan change.

Background and update

Auckland Council is proposing to make changes to the Auckland Unitary Plan to clarify how the Special Character Areas Overlay works with underlying zones in some areas of Auckland. **Proposed Plan Change 26** relates to Chapter D18, Special Character Areas Overlay – Residential and Chapter E38, Subdivision – Urban of the Auckland Unitary Plan.

The Special Character Areas Overlay helps manage the special character of some areas in Auckland. The Auckland Unitary Plan also zones land to manage how it is used, developed or protected, including the residential zones.

The proposed plan change seeks changes to the Auckland Unitary Plan to make it clear that certain planning provisions of the Special Character Areas Overlay would prevail over the corresponding provisions of the underlying residential zones. The proposed plan change also refines some of the standards within the Special Character Areas Overlay, including height in relation to boundary, yards, paved areas and fences.

The intention of the proposed plan change is to provide clarity for property owners, developers and design/development professionals about how the Auckland Unitary Plan will be applied when decisions are made about activities that take place on properties within the Special Character Areas Overlay.

Letters are being sent to approximately 30,000 residents/property owners who own and/or live in a property that is in a zone the proposed plan change applies to. Residents who have questions

about the proposed plan change, can contact us by email at unitaryplan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz or by phone (09) 365 3786.

Proposed Plan Change 26 is open for submissions from **30 May 2019** and the closing date for submissions is **28 June 2019**.

Key contacts

Local board members who have specific queries about this Proposed Plan Change can email Ciaran Power, Planner at ciaran.power@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz who will be happy to assist you with your questions.

Please ensure that any public enquiries are directed to the unitary plan inbox (unitaryplan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz) or phone (09) 365 3786 to enable us to track the enquiries and respond promptly.

Information regarding this notification can be found on the Auckland Council website by clicking on Unitary plan under **Get it done online** and then by selecting **Auckland Unitary Plan modifications** then **Proposed Plan Change 26**.

Auckland Unitary Plan

Proposed Plan Change 26: Clarifying the relationship between the Special Character Areas Overlay and underlying zone provisions

Auckland Council has prepared the following proposed plan change to the Auckland Unitary Plan (Operative in Part) under Schedule 1 to the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) (proposal).

The plan change relates to the Auckland Unitary Plan provisions of Chapter D18, Special Character Areas Overlay - Residential and Chapter E38, Subdivision - Urban.

The purpose of the proposal is to clarify that where there are corresponding provisions (including activities and standards) in the Special Character Areas Overlay and in the underlying zone, the provision in the Special Character Areas Overlay will prevail over the corresponding provision in the underlying zone. The Council is also seeking to refine some of the standards within the Special Character Areas Overlay, including height in relation to boundary, yards, paved areas and fences.

A full copy of the public notice, all information about the proposal (including how to view or download a copy of proposal) and advice about making submissions can be found online at www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/unitaryplanmodifications

Submissions open 30 May 2019 and close on 28 June 2019.

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Notification date: 30 May 2019

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