

# Public Notification of Plan Change 45 to the Upper Hutt City Council District Plan (2004) - Signs

The Upper Hutt City Council has prepared the following proposed plan change to the Upper Hutt City Council District Plan (2004):

Proposed Plan Change 45 ("Plan Change 45") – Signs seeks to update and consolidate the signs provisions within the District Plan.

The changes proposed under Plan Change 45 include:

- All general signs provisions are combined into a single signs chapter.
- A new signs objective is inserted which recognises the need for signs and that they need to be well managed (as relates to issues for character, amenity and transport safety).
- The insertion of more specific signs policies which apply across the district, but which recognise and provide for the different characteristics of zones.
- Updated and amended rules, matters of discretion, and definitions, which maintain the current approach that most signs are permitted subject to meeting minimum standards.
- Where standards are not met, they would be assessed as restricted discretionary or discretionary activities. This retains the primary activity status for most activities of restricted discretionary, where permitted standards are not met.
- A new discretionary activity status for signs is introduced for signs which incorporate movement or changing content (including digital signage) and signs which are not situated on the site to which they relate.

Please note this is a summary. The full Plan Change can be viewed on the Council website at [consultation.upperhuttcity.com](http://consultation.upperhuttcity.com)

Plan Change 45 can also be inspected at any of the following locations:

LOCATION	ADDRESS
Upper Hutt City Council Offices	Level 1 Reception Civic Administration Building 838-842 Fergusson Drive Upper Hutt
Upper Hutt Library (Pop-up Library)	Level 1 of the CBD Towers 84-90 Main Street Upper Hutt
Pinehaven Branch Library	Corner of Pinehaven Road & Jocelyn Crescent Pinehaven Upper Hutt
Expressions Whirinaki Arts and Entertainment Centre	836 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt

If you have any questions, or would like further information about Plan Change 45, please contact the Upper Hutt City Council Planning Policy team by calling 04 527 2169 or by email to [planning@uhcc.govt.nz](mailto:planning@uhcc.govt.nz)

Note: The Council is also consulting on the proposed Control of Temporary Signs Bylaw 2018. For more information on the proposed changes to the Signs Bylaw refer to [consultation.upperhuttcity.com](http://consultation.upperhuttcity.com)

## Making a submission

You may make a submission electronically or in writing to the Council in the following ways:

<b>Online</b>	<a href="http://consultation.upperhuttcity.com">consultation.upperhuttcity.com</a>	<b>Email</b>	<a href="mailto:planning@uhcc.govt.nz">planning@uhcc.govt.nz</a>
<b>In person</b>	Upper Hutt City Council Level 1 Reception Civic Administration Building 838-842 Fergusson Drive Upper Hutt	<b>Post</b>	Proposed Plan Change 45 Upper Hutt City Council Private Bag 907 Upper Hutt 5140

The submission must be completed on the Submission Form (Form 5) and must state whether or not you wish to be heard on your submission. Copies of the Submission Form are available on the website and from Council.

Any person may make a submission on the proposal, but if you could gain an advantage in trade competition through the submission, then you may only submit if you are directly affected by an effect of the proposal that –

- adversely affects the environment; and
- does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

## Process for public participation

The proposal for public participation in the consideration of the proposal under the Act is as follows:

- after the closing date for submissions, the Upper Hutt City 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; and
- 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 the proposal greater than the general public has;
  - the local authority itself; and
- if a person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held; and
- the Upper Hutt City 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 2 years of notifying the proposal and serve it on every person who made a submission at the same time; and
- any person who has made a submission has the right to appeal against the decision on the proposal 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 proposal; and
  - in the case of a proposal that is a proposed policy statement or plan, the appeal does not seek the withdrawal of the proposal as a whole.

The submission period closes at **5pm** on **18 July 2018**. If you have any questions, or would like further information on Proposed Plan Change 45, please contact the Council at [planning@uhcc.govt.nz](mailto:planning@uhcc.govt.nz) or via the address for service contacts below.

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