

Statement of ProposalDraft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan

Introduction

Tararua District Council seeks your views on its draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan.

The current Waste Management and Minimisation Plan was adopted in 2017 and is now due for review.

This statement of proposal is prepared under sections 83 and 87 of the Local Government Act 2002 and contains:

- a copy of the draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2023;
- a copy of the Waste Assessment adopted in August 2023;
- how you can have your say; and
- timetable for consultation.

In summary, the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan sets out Council's plans to minimise and manage the waste in the Tararua District. Council has a key role in collecting, sorting and transferring waste, but we need to work in partnership with our community, businesses and industry to achieve our goals.

Managing waste and ensuring good outcomes for the community can be a complex task. We need to look after the environment, take care of people's health, and make sure that this is done at an acceptable cost to the community. To achieve those outcomes will require all parts of the community to work together.

The Council is required under the Waste Minimisation Act 2008 to promote effective and efficient waste management and minimisation within the Tararua District. One of the key ways we do this is to adopt a Waste Management and Minimisation Plan. We also have obligations under the Health Act 1956 to ensure that our waste management systems promote public health.

The Waste Management and Minimisation Plan sets the priorities and strategic framework for managing waste in the Tararua District. Once the plan is adopted, the actions will be carried through into our Long Term Plan and Annual Plans to ensure we have the resources to deliver the plan's goals and objectives.

In line with the requirements of section 50 of the Waste Minimisation Act 2008, our Waste Management and Minimisation Plan needs to be reviewed at least every six years after its adoption. Many of the actions from the previous Waste Management and Minimisation Plan have been completed, and in particular the areas of waste minimisation education and community engagement.

The structure of the plan

The plan is set out in three parts:

Where we are now – this part contains the background information that has informed the development of the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan. Most of this information is contained in the Waste Assessment, which is included in Part C.

Where we want to go — this contains the core elements of the strategy including vision, goals, objectives and targets. It essentially sets out what we are aiming to achieve, and the broad framework for working towards the vision.

How we are going to get there – the action plan sets out the proposed specific actions to be taken to achieve the goals, objectives and targets set out in Part A. Part B also sets out how we will monitor and report on our actions and how they will be funded.

Consultation

In preparing, amending or revoking a Waste Management and Minimisation Plan, Council must use the Special Consultative Procedure set out in section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002, and in doing so, must also notify the most recent Waste Assessment undertaken by the Council in accordance with section 51 of the Waste Minimisation Act 2008 with the Statement of Proposal.

Council has prepared and adopted the draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan, including the Waste Assessment adopted in August 2023, for public consultation. Any person can make a submission on the draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan and we invite you to have your say.

The following dates are relevant to the consultation process:

- (a) The Waste Assessment including feedback from the Medical Officer of Health was adopted by the Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee on 15 November 2023.
- (b) Council resolved to undertake public consultation regarding the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan at the Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee meeting on 21 February 2024.
- (c) The Statement of Proposal was adopted by the Infrastructure, Climate Change and Emergency Management Committee on 17 July 2024.
- (d) Submissions open on 18 July 2024
- (e) Submissions close on 18 August 2024

Submissions will be heard before Council at an extraordinary meeting to be held 9:00am, 4 September 2024.

The key point to note is that consultation opens on 18 July 2024 and closes on 18 August 2024.

You are encouraged to participate in this important consultation process.

There are several ways you can have your say. A submission form is provided with this document, or you can fill in your submission online.

How to get your submission to us:

Mail to: Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan

Tararua District Council

PO Box 115 Dannevirke 4942

Email to: submissions@tararuadc.govt.nz

Deliver to: Council offices in Eketāhuna, Pahiatua, Woodville or Dannevirke

Online: https://www.tararuadc.govt.nz/publications/consultation/current-consultation

This Statement of Proposal is issued pursuant to section 83 of the LGA and in compliance with sections 82, 83 and 87 of the LGA, and sections 44 and 51 of the Waste Minimisation Act 2008.

Attachments:

1) Statement of Proposal

- 2) Draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan
- 3) Waste Assessment
- 4) Submission Form

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