

Submission on Proposed Timaru District Plan - He Po. He Ao. Ka Awatea.

Form 5 Submission on publically notified proposal for policy statement or plan, change or variation

Clause 6 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991

To: Timaru District Council - Planning Unit

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This is a submission on the following proposed plan (the **proposal**): Proposed Timaru District Plan - He Po. He Ao. Ka Awatea.

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I wish to be heard: Yes

I am willing to present a joint case: Yes

Could you gain an advantage in trade competition in making this submission?

- **No**

Are you directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that

(a) adversely affects the environment; and

(b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition

- **N/A**

Submission points

Point 9.1

Section: NOSZ – Natural Open Space Zone

Sub-section: Introduction

Provision:

The Natural Open Space Zone is applied to land that is managed by the Council or Department of Conservation for conservation purposes. It is characterised by areas of indigenous vegetation and a high degree of naturalness.

Section 4 (3) RMA allows certain Crown activity to contravene a District Plan in relation to any work or activity on land held under the Conservation Act 1987 that is consistent with a conservation management strategy, conservation management plan, or management plan and does not have a significant adverse effect beyond the boundary of the land. Accordingly, this chapter does not apply to the Department of Conservation activities that meet section 4(3) RMA, but does apply to their activities that do not meet section 4(3) RMA. Appendix 1 contains a list of activities of the Department of Conservation considers meets the requirements of Section 4(3) RMA.

Sentiment: Oppose

Submission:

We oppose having BLANDSWOOD included in the NATURAL OPEN SPACE ZONE. The definition of the Natural Open Space Zone, as stated above, does not fit with Blandswood settlement which includes private land and a number of small dwellings.

Relief sought

I seek the following decision from the local authority:

- Inclusion of BLANDSWOOD in the SETTLEMENT ZONE.
- And to make any consequential amendments in the Proposed District Plan