

## Notification of Kaipara District Council's Proposed Kaipara District Plan 2025

Pursuant to clause 5 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991 ("RMA"), Kaipara District Council has prepared and gives public notice of the **Proposed Kaipara District Plan 2025** ("Proposed Plan"). The Proposed Plan will be publicly notified on Monday 28 April 2025. The submission period will run until **Monday 30 June 2025** and will be available on Council's website [kaipara.govt.nz](http://kaipara.govt.nz)

### The Proposed Kaipara District Plan

The Proposed Plan has been designed to be a "simple and enabling" plan which provides for a wide range of activities to enable growth and development. It will in time replace the current Operative District Plan, which became operative in 2013. The District Plan sets the framework for the use, development and management of natural and physical resources throughout the district.

### Designations

The Proposed Plan includes some modifications to existing designations. All modified designations can be viewed at: [kaipara.govt.nz/kaipara-district-plan-review](http://kaipara.govt.nz/kaipara-district-plan-review)

### Some proposed rules in the Proposed Plan have immediate legal effect

Pursuant to sections 86B and 86D of the RMA, certain rules of the Proposed Plan have immediate legal effect from the date of notification (28 April 2025). Landowners affected by these rules will receive an individualised letter outlining how their property may be affected by these rules.

### Where to view the Proposed Plan, planning maps and all supporting documents

The Proposed Plan is accessible to the community and easy to use as a GIS driven E-Plan.

To view the Proposed Plan, planning maps and all supporting documents please visit our website [kaipara.govt.nz/kaipara-district-plan-review](http://kaipara.govt.nz/kaipara-district-plan-review) The Proposed Plan can also be viewed at Kaipara District Council offices and public libraries during business hours:

#### Kaipara District Council offices:

- Dargaville: 32 Hokianga Road.
- Mangawhai: Unit 6, The Hub, 6 Molesworth Drive.

#### Public libraries:

- Dargaville Library: 71 Normanby Street, Dargaville.
- Mangawhai Library: 45 Moir Street, Mangawhai.

### Making a submission

Kaipara District Council, organisations and any other person may make a submission on the Proposed Plan. However, if the person could gain an advantage in trade competition through the submission, then the person may do so only if the person is directly affected by an effect of the Proposed Plan that adversely affects the environment and does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

Options for making a submission are:

- **Online:** Either via the E-Plan or download a submission form from our website: [kaipara.govt.nz/kaipara-district-plan-review](http://kaipara.govt.nz/kaipara-district-plan-review).
- **Email:** Submit a completed submission form via email to: [districtplanreview@kaipara.govt.nz](mailto:districtplanreview@kaipara.govt.nz) (subject line: Proposed District Plan Submission).
- **Post:** Send your completed submission form to: District Plan Team, Kaipara District Council, Private Bag 1001, Dargaville 0340.
- **In person:** You can pick up a hard copy submission form and drop off your completed form at the Council offices and Dargaville or Mangawhai Library.

Submissions made by email or post must be on the Form 5 submission form as prescribed by clause 6 of Schedule 1 of the RMA and must state whether or not you wish to be heard in support of your submission. The relief you seek in your submission(s) must be clearly set out.

### The closing date for submissions on the Proposed Plan is Monday 30 June 2025.

Please note all submissions are public information and will be publicly available.

**A Friend of the Submitter** will be available to assist and advise you on how to make a submission if you need help. They are an independent advisor that can explain the process of making a submission and how to present your views in a submission. They are neutral and do not support or influence the content of your submission. This is a free service and will be available to everyone in the district.

Please email [districtplanreview@kaipara.govt.nz](mailto:districtplanreview@kaipara.govt.nz) or call 0800 727 059 for more details on how to access this service.

### What happens next?

After the closing date for submissions:

Kaipara District Council will prepare a summary of submissions and give public notice of the availability of this summary and where the submissions can be viewed.

There will 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.
- Kaipara District Council itself.

If a person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held.

Kaipara District 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 Proposed Plan and serve it on every person who made a submission at the same time.

Any person who has made a submission has the right to appeal against the decision on the Proposed Plan 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 Proposed Plan; and the appeal does not seek the withdrawal of the Proposed Plan as a whole.

Jason Marris

**Chief Executive**