

Draft

Discussion Document Template

[Insert Topic Name here]

Background

Quick introduction/scene setter about why this topic is important – in both the National and Kaipara District context

This will differ depending on the topic (e.g. the indigenous biodiversity topic may mention Kaipara's exceptional and unique biodiversity whereas the natural hazard topic might take about the need to reduce the risk of harm from natural hazard events and not locate new dwellings in hazard prone areas)

How does this topic fit into the National Planning Standards?

Chapter/Provisions etc

What is the relevant legislation relevant to this topic and higher order directives (i.e. RMA, LGA, NPS, NES, RPS, Regional Plan)

- Resource Management Act 1991 sections
- Local Government Act 1974 and 2002 sections
- National Policy Statements (i.e. Coastal Policy Statement)
- Regional Policy Statement
- Regional Plan

Do our iwi environmental plans address this topic? Is this a topic of significant interest to iwi?

If yes, which sections apply from each environmental plan?

Is this topic an RMA section 6, 7 or 8 matter? If yes state which ones apply

What (if any) are the relevant provisions from the Operative District Plan?

Chapter...

Objectives...

Policies...

Rules...

Key Issues

What are the key issues with the Operative District Plan provisions or new issues which have emerged since the operative provisions were drafted?

Describe what the current issues are (i.e. is it a resource consenting issue or a new issue as a result of policy changes)?

Does the Regional Policy Statement direct us to do something that the current district plan does not manage?

Comparison of provisions with other District Council's, particularly adjacent Territorial Authorities (s74(2)(c)). Are our ODP provisions out of date?

[Do not need to include all details, just an overview of examples from other Council's looking closely at neighbouring Councils]

What needs to change in the Proposed District Plan (if anything does need to)?

Moving Forward

Does this topic require technical expertise or further work to be undertaken in order to assist with plan development and the s32 evaluation (i.e. experts in acoustic, economic, ecological, heritage, rural production)? If yes, do we know what the potential costs are?

What are the key public messages in respect to the key issues and Council's way forward in the District Plan review (summarise into bullet points)?

[This is likely the majority of information that we will take out to the public for engagement and feedback]

- Think about what interested/potentially affected landowners will want to know – what does it mean for them?
- Make sure you have enough info for it to be meaningful but not too much that it goes over their heads