

9. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AMENDMENT ACT BILL 2009 - SUMMARY OF KEY CHANGES

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. In August the Local Government and Environment Select Committee reported back to Parliament on the Resource Management Amendment Bill 2009. The Select Committee recommended a significant number of changes to the Bill. Overall the changes now proposed do not go as far as originally proposed and in some respects are an improvement (particularly around notification about locations). Enactment of the Bill is proposed for 1 October 2009. Parliament will debate the recommendations and some changes could still result from this between the drafting of this report and 1 October 2009.
2. The report sets out key changes (**Attachment 1**) to the Resource Management Act following release of the Select Committee's report.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

3. This report is designed to keep the Regulatory and Planning Committee informed of the proposed changes to the Resource Management Act.
4. It identifies the key changes to the Act as a consequence of the Select Committee's recommendations and the implications of those changes for everyday practice.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. Not applicable.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

6. Not applicable.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. The information provided in this report is held as public information. It is readily accessible and not legally privileged.

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

8. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

9. Not applicable.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

10. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

11. Not applicable.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

12. Not applicable.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

13. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Regulatory and Planning Committee receive this report for information.