

8. SUBMISSIONS ON SELWYN DISTRICT PLAN CHANGE 23

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to:
 - Inform the Council of the officer submission made on a Selwyn District Council plan change which is related to the implementation of Regional Policy Statement Proposed Change 1. (**Attachment 1**)
 - Seek a decision from the Council to either retrospectively endorse the submission or to withdraw the submission.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Selwyn District Council (SDC) has notified two plan changes as part of their implementation of Regional Policy Statement Proposed Change 1 (PC1), one of which is of interest to the Council.
3. SDC Plan Change 23 replaces the 50 dBA and 55 dBA airport noise contours in Selwyn District with the revised contours modelled in 2007, and subsequently included in PC1. The existing policy framework supporting the contours is not being amended. Plan Change 23 is consistent with the Council's appeal on PC1, which seeks to maintain a strong policy approach by avoiding residential development within the 50 dBA contour.
4. The successful outcome of this plan change will be important for SDC in achieving the growth pattern as set out in PC1. Officers consider it is important for the Council to be involved in supporting Plan Change 23 and monitoring its progress, as any adverse outcomes in the decision on the airport noise contours in Selwyn District may affect the City's ability to implement PC1. However, should the Council not wish to participate in the hearing of Plan Change 23, the submission can be withdrawn,

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. None.

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

6. Yes.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. Legal advice supports the desirability of making a submission on Plan Change 23 in order to promote integrated management on the key issue of airport noise contours across territorial authority boundaries and between UDS partners.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

8. Yes.

Performance Standard 1.0.2

Development of policy and plans to implement the Council's components of the Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy (UDS) Action Plan.

The focus of work for 2009/10 to 2011/12 will be on:

- *Supporting regional policy and planning processes...*

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

9. Aligned with the Urban Development Strategy, and in particular with agreed processes for ongoing collaboration with UDS partners.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

10. Not required

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council:

- (a) Endorse the submission on Selwyn District Council Plan Changes 23 as shown in Attachment 1.
- (b) Direct staff to represent the Council at any hearing in relation to this submission.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.