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### **Further rules adopted as new district plan takes shape**

The district's new rulebook is a step closer to being fully in place.

The appeal period for submitters to appeal decisions on the Council's Proposed District Plan closed on Friday (6 October). Appeals were made to the Environment Court and at time of the writing the Council was aware of 25 appeals that had been made to the court.

Any parts of the plan that were not appealed now come into effect.

The decisions were notified on Saturday 19 August and covered changes to reflect new legislation, national policy direction, and issues raised through submissions. It creates new urban zones, strengthens protection of highly productive land, protection of properties from natural hazards, protection of historic and culture heritage and important landscapes, as well as updating rules for what activities can occur where.

Information on any appeals will be included on the appeals page on the Council website at [selwyn.govt.nz/districtplanreview](https://selwyn.govt.nz/districtplanreview), as the Council is officially notified of them.

The Council is updating the Decisions Version of the Partially Operative Selwyn District Plan to identify the provisions that are subject to an appeal and which rules are now in effect. This version will be called the Partially Operative Selwyn District Plan (Appeals Version) and it will be released as soon as it is available.

People who made a submission to a matter under appeal, or who have an interest greater than the general public, can apply to the Environment Court to join an appeal (known as a 'Section 274 Party'). Applications to become a S274 party or open until 5pm, 30 October and can be made via [environmentcourt.govt.nz](https://environmentcourt.govt.nz).

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