

Form 5**Submission on a publicly notified proposal for policy statement or plan**
*Clause 6 of First Schedule, Resource Management Act 1991***PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 23, SELWYN DISTRICT PLAN.**

To: Selwyn District Council.

Name of Submitter: Canterbury Regional Council.

This is a submission on the following proposed change to the Selwyn District Plan:

Proposed Plan Change 23: Amendment of the existing Christchurch International Airport Noise Contours with the revised air noise contours which are included in Proposed Change 1 to the Canterbury Regional Policy

The specific provisions of Proposed Plan Change 23 that the Canterbury Regional Council's submission relates to are:

All of the Plan Change provisions.

The Canterbury Regional Council's submission is:

The Canterbury Regional Council supports Proposed Plan Change 23.

Chapter 12 'Settlement and the Built Environment' of the operative Canterbury Regional Policy Statement (RPS) identifies Christchurch International Airport as strategically important physical infrastructure.

Policy 4 to this Chapter seeks that the use of land for urban development and expansion of settlements be discouraged, where such use would adversely affect the operation and efficient use and development of the Christchurch International Airport.

Method 2 to Policy 4 then seeks that District Council's, when changing their district plans, avoid or mitigate adverse effects on the operation, efficient use and development of Christchurch International Airport.

Proposed Change 1 to the Regional Policy Statement (PC1) incorporates Chapter 12A into the RPS and provides direction for the growth and development of the urban and rural areas of the Greater Christchurch sub-region. It provides the sub-regional policy framework under the Resources Management Act 1991 to implement the Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy (UDS).

Policy 1 to PC1 seeks that urban activities within Greater Christchurch only occur within the urban limits delineated in Map 1. The positioning of the urban limits are based (along with other matters) on avoiding noise sensitive activities within the 50 dBA noise contour surrounding Christchurch International Airport.

Method 1.1 to this policy seeks that territorial authorities, within their district plans, provide for urban growth within the urban limits and include provisions to prevent urban activities outside.

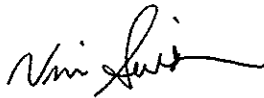
Proposed Plan Change gives effect to the operative RPS using the most comprehensive modelling information held about the Christchurch International Airport Noise Contours in Selwyn District as shown in PC1.

The Canterbury Regional Council seeks the following decision from the local authority:

That the Plan Change be approved.

The Canterbury Regional Council does wish to be heard in support of this submission.

If others make a similar submission, the Canterbury Regional Council will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing.



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