



FORM 4: PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE UNDER CLAUSE 5, SCHEDULE 1 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

Rangitikei District Council has prepared the following Proposed Plan Change to the Rangitikei District Plan 2013.

Proposed Plan Change 3 – Urban Growth

The following amendments to the District Plan are proposed as part of Proposed Plan Change 3:

- Amendments to the General Residential Zone, Rural Lifestyle Zone and Subdivision Chapter to provide greater opportunity for urban intensification, implementation of a structure plan and removing existing barriers to better enable urban growth.
- Amendments to the Planning Maps to identify a new Residential Intensification Area for Marton, Bulls and Taihape, to enable more intensive infill development in walkable distance from town centres and local amenities.
- Amendments to the Planning Maps to rezone areas of General Rural Zone and Rural Lifestyle Zone land to Residential, on the urban fringes of Marton and Bulls.
- Introduction of a new Marton North-West Structure Plan Area to help guide development in a large area of land proposed to be rezoned on the periphery of Marton.

Copies of Proposed Plan Change 3 may be inspected at www.rangitikei.govt.nz/PPC3 or in hard copy at the locations below from the 12 March 2026 until 13 April 2026 (during usual opening hours):

- **Marton Head Office:** 46 High Street, Marton
- **Marton Community Hub:** 31 High Street, Marton
- **Te Matapihi – Bulls Community Hub:** 4 Criterion Street, Bulls
- **Taihape Community Hub:** 102 Hautapu Street (SH1), Taihape

If you have any questions about the proposal, please contact Rangitikei District Council's Strategy Manager, Tiffany Gower, on (06) 327 0099 or via email at districtplan@rangitikei.govt.nz

Submissions

The following persons may make a submission on the proposal:

- the local authority in its own area may make a submission; and

- any other person may make a submission but, if the person could gain an advantage in trade competition through the submission, then the person may do so only if the person is directly affected by an effect of the proposal that -
 - adversely affects the environment; and
 - does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

You may make a submission by sending a written or electronic submission to Rangitikei District Council -

- **By post to:** Rangitikei District Council, Attn: Strategy Manager, Private Bag 1102, Marton 4741
- **By email to:** districtplan@rangitikei.govt.nz
- **Via the online submission form:** available at www.rangitikei.govt.nz/PPC3
- **Dropping it into the Marton Head Office:** 46 High Street, Marton.

The submission must be in Form 5 of the Resource Management (Forms, Fees and Procedure) Regulations 2003 and must state whether or not you wish to be heard on your submission. Copies of this form are available from Rangitikei District Council (locations listed above) or online at www.rangitikei.govt.nz/PPC3

Submissions close on Monday, 13 April 2026 at 5pm. Submissions must be received by this date and time.

What happens next?

After the submissions period closes Council will summarise submissions and then make the summary of submissions and copies of the submissions publicly available. At this time, the Council will call for further submissions. Following the close of the further submissions period, if any submitters wish to be heard then Council will schedule a hearing of submissions.

12 March 2026

Carol Gordon
Chief Executive