



RANGITIKEI
DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Consultation: Review of the Building Consent System
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Tēnā Koutou,

Rangitikei District Council submission on Options Paper: Review of the Building Consent System

Rangitikei District Council (Council) appreciates the opportunity to submit on the building system reform.

Council does not have staff capacity to give specific comment on all sections of the options paper, and notes that Taituarā have provided a very detailed submission. While Council supports the majority of the Taituarā submission we need to note two areas that we do not agree with:

1. Producer Statements (page 3, paragraph 7) – Council would like this to be given more consideration, and does not consider they should be compulsory; and secondly all liability must be removed from the BCA for accepting such statements in good faith.
2. Suitability of products/materials (page 3, paragraph 8) – Council does not agree that this is a Building Officers function and strongly believes that liability rests with the designer/builder/owner to submit evidence of material/product suitability.

Ngā mihi

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