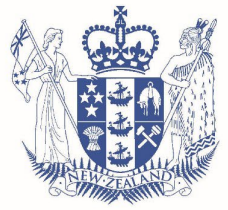


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20 August 2026

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Hamish McGillivray
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Dear Hamish

Request for an extension of time under clause 10A, Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991

Thank you for your letter of 22 July 2026, on behalf of Kāpiti Coast District Council, seeking a five-month extension to notify the Council's decision on Proposed Plan Change 3 – Kārewarewa Urupā to the Kāpiti Coast District Plan 2021.

I have considered the Council's request under clause 10A of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991. I note the Council is seeking an extension from 18 September 2026 to 18 February 2027, and that the application was made before the statutory deadline.

I have decided to grant the requested extension. My reasons are:

- i. the request, and the length of the extension sought, are appropriate based on the reasons provided by the Council;
- ii. the Council has taken into account the interests of people who may be directly affected by the extension, the interests of the community in achieving the adequate assessment of the effects of Proposed Plan Change 3, and its duty to avoid unreasonable delay;
- iii. the extension to 18 February 2027 will give the Council sufficient time to consider the Panel's recommendation report, prepare its decision documents, and notify its decision.

I acknowledge the importance of Kārewarewa Urupā as a site of significance to Māori, and the role of Proposed Plan Change 3 in recognising and protecting that site through the district plan.

The Council is required to publicly notify this extension and the reasons for it, in accordance with clause 10A(6) of Schedule 1 of the RMA.

I appreciate the Council's continued work to progress this matter and efforts to complete the remaining steps in the plan change process.

Yours sincerely

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Hon Nicola Grigg
Minister for the Environment