

# DRAFT PLAN CHANGE 1K – AMEND ELECTION SIGNAGE PROVISIONS

## Issue:

The District Plan permits electoral signs up to 2.0m<sup>2</sup> in size per person or party, while the Electoral Regulations permit electoral signs of 3.0m<sup>2</sup> in size. This creates confusion about signage requirements during election (local/national) periods.

The purpose of the Plan Change is to remove conflict between the electoral signage provisions of the District Plan by aligning them with the permitted size requirements for electoral signage as specified in the regulations for election advertisements.

## Draft Amendments:

In the following District Plan Provisions:

Text that is struck through and in red (~~example~~) is to be deleted from the District Plan

Text that is underlined and in red (example) is to be inserted into the District Plan

1. Amend permitted activity rule SIGN-R2 as follows:

SIGN-R2	Election <i>signs</i> (local body/ national) in all <i>zones</i> .
Permitted Activity	<p><b>Standards</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The total area of election signage per person or party (whichever is the lesser) on an approved <i>subject site</i> or on private property must not exceed <del>2</del><u>3</u>.0m<sup>2</sup>.</li> </ol> <p><b>Note:</b> A list of approved <i>subject sites</i> is included in the Council's Candidate Information Handbook a copy of which is available from the Council's Service Centres or on the Council's website.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Election <i>signs</i> must be single faced i.e. one display face only, not 'V' or other multi-faced <i>signs</i>.</li> <li>3. Election <i>signs</i> must not exceed 1.8 metres in <i>height</i> (above <i>original ground level</i>).</li> <li>4. Election <i>signs</i> must meet the requirements of the Electoral (Advertisements of a Specified Kind) Regulations 2005.</li> <li>5. Election <i>signs</i> must only be erected and displayed during the period beginning 2 months before polling day and ending with the close of the day before polling day.</li> </ol> <p><b>Note:</b> This rule only applies outside the timeframes specified in Section 221B (1) of the Electoral Act 1993 and Regulation 4 of the Electoral (Advertisements of a Special Kind) Regulations 2005.</p>