

## APPENDIX 1

### AMENDMENTS TO THE WAITAKERE CITY DISTRICT PLAN POLICIES, DEFINITIONS, OPEN SPACE ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL AREA RULES AND ASSESSMENT CRITERIA IN THE DISTRICT PLAN ARISING FROM PLAN CHANGE 12 – OPEN SPACE ENVIRONMENT PROVISIONS

#### Key to Text Changes

The changes to the Introduction to The Rules, City Wide Rules – Definitions, Natural Area Rules, Consequential Amendments to Transport Environment, Significant Resource Management Issues, Objectives, Policies and Methods and Explanation of the strategic direction: policies and methods, sections of the Plan is done separately and the format is as follows:

- The text changes introduced by the proposed plan change are underlined and the wording that was deleted is ~~struckout~~.
- The text changes introduced as a result of submissions and included in the Hearing Report are in **red and underlined**.
- The text changes resulting from the Hearing Committee deliberations are in **blue and underlined**.

**The Open Space Environment Rules 2-7 and 11 are replaced in their entirety and all the text is underlined.**

- The text changes introduced as a result of submissions and included in the Hearing Report are in **red and underlined**.

#### **Rule 9 Infrastructure and Rule 10 Glare**

- The text changes introduced by the proposed plan change are underlined and the wording that was deleted is ~~struckout~~.

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**Rules 8 Noise is unchanged**

# District Plan – Rules #1

## INTRODUCTION TO THE RULES

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Human Environment Rules

### Open Space Environment

Covering land owned or managed by the Council, the Auckland Regional Council or other public agencies.

## RESOURCE CONSENTS

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### WRITTEN CONSENTS & NOTIFICATION – DISCRETIONARY ACTIVITIES AND NON-COMPLYING ACTIVITIES

Add a second bullet point to the following:

For *Discretionary Activity* applications seeking *resource consent* in respect of the following matters, applications will generally not be notified:

Development in the Open Space Environment which is in accordance with an Operative Reserve Management Plan (this may also include an Approved Concept Plan or Landscape Design and Planting Plan) and the proposal complies with the rules of Open Space Environment.

Add a new bullet point to the following:

For *Discretionary Activity* applications seeking *resource consent* in respect of the following matters, applications will generally not be notified if the written consents of the owners of adjoining sites are submitted.

Development in the Open Space Environment which is in accordance with an Operative Reserve Management Plan, (this may also include an Approved Concept Plan or Landscape Design and Planting Plan) but the proposal does not comply with all the rules of Open Space Environment.

NB: with respect to large reserves or parks, written consents of the owners of adjoining sites would not necessarily mean all land owners but those persons affected by the proposal. The discretion as to who is affected would be determined on a case by case basis by Council.

Add a new bullet point to the following:

For *Discretionary Activity* applications seeking *resource consent* in respect of the following matters, applications may not be notified after having regard to Council's responsibilities under Sections 93 and 94 of the Act:

Development in the Open Space Environment where there is no Operative or Draft Reserve Management Plan or Approved Concept Plan or Landscape Design and Planting Plan but the proposal will comply with the rules of Open Space Environment.

NB: with respect to large reserves or parks, written consents of the owners of adjoining sites would not necessarily mean all land owners but those persons affected by the proposal. The discretion as to who is affected would be determined on a case by case basis by Council.

Add a new bullet point to the following:

For *Discretionary Activity* applications seeking *resource consent* in respect of the following matters, applications will generally be notified.

*Development in the Open Space Environment* where there is no Operative or Draft Reserve Management Plan or Approved Concept Plan or Landscape Design and Planting Plan and the proposal does not comply with the rules of *Open Space Environment*.

# CITY WIDE RULES

## DEFINITIONS

Add the following changes and additions to the definitions

### **BOARDWALK**

means a structure that provides pedestrian access and is under 1.0 m in height measured from ground level, including under ephemeral or permanent water bodies or wetlands, to the walking surface or top of the structure over a wetland, along the coast or through bush in order to protect soil structure, vegetation and/or roots or other environmental resources

### **BRIDGE(S)**

Means a structure that spans and provides access over a river, stream or watercourse but excludes a culvert or covered pipes, and includes board-walks structures for pedestrian access over 1.0m above the ground even where they do not span a water body

### **DRIPLINE**

Means all that area (including the ground and beneath the ground below the canopy spread of a plant (Canopy is defined as a weather-proof covering, substantially covering a footpath used by the public, so the italics should be removed from the word canopy in the above definition)

### **PARKS BUILDINGS**

Means flood lights, or any building or structure 100m<sup>2</sup> or more in gross floor area, for a use associated with a park or for community purposes, located in the Open Space Environment but shall not include:

- childrens play equipment
- buildings of up to 100m<sup>2</sup> in gross floor area used for the storage of parks equipment or maintenance materials; or
- goal posts

but excluding buildings and structures defined as, parks facilities, parks furniture, parks infrastructure, parks signs and parks sports field structures.

### **PARKS CONTRACT**

Means a formal contract, between the Council (WCC or ARC) or the Department of Conservation and a contractor, for work undertaken on land in the Open Space Environment that incorporates quality assurance processes, best practice methods and relevant and current Codes of Practice for work in parks.

### **PARKS FACILITIES**

Means any building or structure less than 100m<sup>2</sup> in gross floor area, for a use associated with a park located in the Open Space Environment, and shall include but is not limited to the following:

- shade structures,
- toilets and changing facilities
- Shelters, information and interpretation kiosks, outdoor education structures and facilities
- buildings used for the storage of parks equipment or maintenance materials, or equipment associated with an activity on a park
- childrens play equipment, excluding skate board facilities

but excluding buildings and structures defined as parks buildings, parks furniture, parks infrastructure, parks signs and parks field structures.

### **PARKS FIELD STRUCTURES**

Means structures relating to an active sport or recreational activity provided or authorised by WCC Councils for a use associated with a park on land located in the *Open Space Environment*, and shall include but not be limited to the following:

goal posts, cricket nets, fences, petanque courts, playing courts, sideline shelters and other similar structures which are ancillary to and used in conjunction with, sports grounds, playing fields, hard courts and greens, skate board facilities and pony club course structures (jumps) and arenas

but excluding buildings and structures defined as parks buildings, parks facilities, parks furniture, parks infrastructure and parks signs.

### **PARKS FURNITURE**

means outdoor furniture provided or authorised by any one of the following: the WCC or ARC for a use associated with a park that is located in the *Open Space Environment* and shall include but not be limited to the following:

- seats, tables, rubbish bins, barbecues, drinking fountains, and
- sculptures/art works
- bicycle racks
- amenity lighting
- security cameras and security lighting
- vehicle counters

### **PARKS INFRASTRUCTURE**

means infrastructure located in the *Open Space Environment* and shall include but not be limited to the following:

- footpaths, track and trail systems, fitness trails, cycle ways, bridle trails, or mountain bike trails
- entry gates, track marking bollards, soldier bollards and chains, post and rail fences, farm fencing or similar fencing
- footbridges or boardwalks 15m or less in length
- culverts 10m or less in length
- access drives associated with parks activities
- jetties and boat ramps
- carparking for a maximum of 5-8 vehicles

provided that the above work is authorised by any one of the following, WCC, ARC or DoC and/or undertaken by their staff, lessees, licensees or contractors being undertaken in accordance with a Parks Contract or by ARC Parks Staff using best practice methods such as is specified in the following relevant and current documents: "Regional Parks Environmental Best Practice Guidelines", "Regional Parks Infrastructure, Tracks and Design Manual" and current "operative Regional Parks management plan".

### **PARKS MAINTENANCE**

means undertaking any of the following activities on land located in the *Open Space Environment*:

- clearance of vegetation in the Removable Vegetation Appendix and the Environmentally Damaging Plants Appendix (Vol 1-Appendices), including where this clearance occurs within the dripline of any vegetation, undertaken in accordance with a weed management plan and provided all exposed areas of earth are re-vegetated
- vegetation alteration of native and exotic vegetation less than 6.0 metres in height and less than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4metres above the ground), within 1.0m of the edge of an existing footpath, track, footbridge or boardwalk to provide for unimpeded pedestrian access on the path
- maintenance and repair of footpaths (concrete, gravel and shell)
- track and trail maintenance and repair including resurfacing re-metalling re-shelling bush tracks and including clearing/reforming drainage channels alongside tracks and minor re-alignment of tracks within 1.0m of the edge of a track to minimise erosion.
- re-topsoiling, reseeding, sandslitting for parks sports fields and parks
- grass mowing

- replacement, repairs and maintenance of existing bridges, boardwalks, and culverts and includes any enhancement/improvements provided that there shall be no more than a 40% increase in the width, length or height of footbridges or boardwalks over less than 15m in length or culverts over less than 10m in length
- Resealing and sealing metal carparks and access drives and internal park roads
- Maintenance of jetties and boat ramps
- Repairs and maintenance to the exterior of parks buildings, parks facilities, parks field structures, parks furniture and parks signs.
- Ecosystem restoration by replanting and re-vegetation

provided that the above work is authorised by any one of the following, WCC, ARC or DoC and/or undertaken by their staff, lessees, licensees or contractors, being undertaken in accordance with a Parks Contract, or by ARC Parks Staff using best practice methods such as is specified in the following relevant and current documents "Regional Parks Environmental Best Practice Guidelines", "Regional Parks Infrastructure, Tracks and Design Manual" and current "operative Regional Parks management plan".

### **PARKS SIGNS**

means any sign located in an Open Space Environment (or Transport Environment), that has been authorised by the WCC or ARC for the purpose of identifying the name of a reserve and detailing the activities that take place on that reserve, provided that the sign is in accordance with a parks contract or relevant and current codes of practice.

### **PARKS SPORTS FIELD(S)**

Means land, which has been/is to be formed by WCC, for formal and informal sports activities, including sports grounds, playing fields, sand fields, artificial turfs, greens and hard courts in the Open Space Environment.

### **WEED MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Means a plan prepared by a professionally qualified expert for the management of land in a way that facilitates the removal of weeds utilising current best practice, and ensuring effects on existing terrestrial and aquatic habitat values are minimised through the process of weed removal.

### **Consequential amendment to the definition of BUILDING(S) as follows:**

#### **BUILDING(S)**

means any structure or part of a structure, whether temporary or permanent, moveable or immovable, and includes additions to buildings but does not include:

- the interior of any building
- any scaffolding erected temporarily for construction or maintenance purposes
- fences up to 2.0m in height
- structures which are both less than 1.5 metres in height and 2m<sup>2</sup> ground coverage in area
- masts poles telephone aerials less than 6.0m in height
- chimneys and aerials and water overflow pipes which are on the roof of buildings
- any sign or Parks Sign
- any film set
- roads, driveways, manoeuvring areas, parking areas and other paved surfaces

### **Consequential amendment to the definition of SIGN(S) as follows:**

#### **SIGN(S)**

means any device intended to attract attention for the purpose of directing, identifying, informing or advertising, except for advertising matter placed on or within a display window of commercial premises, except signs defined as Parks Signs

## natural area rules

The following rules are amended:

### general natural area

Procedural Guideline For The Rules – Step 7  
Rule 2 Vegetation Alteration  
Rule 3 Earthworks

### restoration natural area

Procedural Guideline For The Rules – Step 7  
Rule 2 Vegetation Alteration  
Rule 3 Earthworks

### managed natural area

Procedural Guideline For The Rules – Step 7  
Rule 2 Vegetation Alteration  
Rule 3 Earthworks

### coastal natural area

Procedural Guideline For The Rules – Step 7  
Rule 2 Vegetation Alteration  
Rule 3 Earthworks

### protected natural area

Procedural Guideline For The Rules – Step 7  
Rule 2 vegetation alteration  
Rule 3 Earthworks

### riparian margins/coastal edges

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Rule 2 Vegetation Alteration  
Rule 3 Earthworks  
Rule 7 Buildings

# GENERAL NATURAL AREA

## PROCEDURAL GUIDELINE FOR THE RULES

### Step 7 (Page 2)

Add a new sentence to the end of this section as follows:

Note that the written approval of the landowner – Waitakere City Council, Auckland Regional Council or Department of Conservation will be required in relation to any proposed activity in the Open Space Environment, and including land that is managed by the Auckland Regional Council.

## RULE 2 VEGETATION ALTERATION

### 2.1 Permitted Activities

Amend 2.1(a) (ii) as follows:

(a) any *vegetation alteration* of :

- (i) *native vegetation* and *exotic vegetation* less than 6.0 metres in height and less than 600mm in girth (as measured at any point higher than 1.4 metres above the ground), and
  - (ii) *vegetation* listed in the Removable Vegetation Appendix and the Environmentally Damaging Plants Appendix,
- provided that any clearance does not exceed a total cleared area of 500m<sup>2</sup>, and is not in the *Open Space Environment*.

Amend 2.1(c) as follows:

~~(c) *Vegetation alteration for Parks Maintenance and Parks Infrastructure* any *vegetation alteration for track and trail systems* where provided for in park management plans and approved under the Reserves Act 1977, Conservation Act 1987, Local Government Act 1974 or Auckland Centennial Memorial Park Act 1941, in the *Open Space Environment* provided that the *vegetation alteration* meets the following standards:~~

- ~~- the *native and exotic vegetation* is less than 6.0 metres in height and less than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4 metres above the ground), and~~
- ~~- is no greater than 1.0 metre from either edge of a footpath (to provide unimpeded pedestrian access) or a cycleway, bridle track, boardwalk or walking track~~
- ~~- the work is undertaken using environmental best practices that include accepted modern arboricultural practices, weed management plans and measures to protect adjoining vegetation~~

~~(d) *Vegetation alteration for Parks Infrastructure in the Open Space Environment* provided that the *vegetation alteration* meets the following standards:~~

- ~~- the *native and exotic vegetation* is less than 6.0 metres in height and less than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4 metres above the ground), and~~
- ~~- the work is undertaken using environmental best practices that include accepted modern arboricultural practices, weed management plans and measures to protect adjoining vegetation~~

### 2.3 Limited Discretionary Activities

Add the following two bullet points to Rule 2.3 :

- any *vegetation alteration* for *Parks Maintenance* in the *Open Space Environment* not meeting the performance standards in Rule 2.1(c) when the *native and exotic vegetation* is more than 6.0 metres in height and greater than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4 metres

~~above the ground), or where the width from the edge of a footpath, track, footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 1.0m, or where the enhancement/improvements to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceed 40%.~~

- ~~• vegetation alteration for Parks Infrastructure not meeting the Performance Standards in Rule 2.1(d) when the native and exotic vegetation is more than 6.0 metres in height and greater than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4 metres above the ground), or where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length, or a culvert is over 10m in length, or for carparks with more than 5 8 car parking spaces in the Open Space Environment.~~

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of scale, method, *landscape treatment* and location and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 2(a) – 2(l).

**ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

Amend assessment criterion 2(e) as follows:

**2(e)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* is necessary:

- to accommodate *development* otherwise permitted by the Plan
- to ensure the **safety** or integrity of existing *development* on the *site*
- for *pruning* to provide light
- for *pruning* to preserve *public views*.
- to facilitate the use of land in the *Open Space Environment*

Add new assessment criteria 2(l) and 2(m) as follows:

**2(l)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* is for development proposed in a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan.

**2(m)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* in an *Open Space Environment* avoids significant vegetation and any species known to be threatened or endangered.

To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers 10.28 11.32 and 12.9

**RULE 3 EARTHWORKS**

**3.1 Permitted Activities**

Add the following two clauses (c) and (d) to Rule 3.1 as follows:

(c) *Earthworks for Parks Maintenance, Parks Infrastructure in the Open Space Environment* provided that:

- the *earthworks* are in accordance with the sediment control measures outlined in the *Erosion/Sediment Control Measures Appendix* and
- undertaken using environmental best practice methods

(d) *earthworks for Parks Field Structures, Parks Furniture and Parks Signs in the Open Space Environment*

**3.2 Controlled Activities**

Add 3.2 (b) as follows:

(b) earthworks for Parks Sports Fields in accordance with a Parks Contract in the Open Space Environment where the total volume of earthworks does not exceed 500m<sup>3</sup> and the average slope of the land is less than 15°.

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

Assessment of *Controlled Activity* Applications will be limited to the matters of scale, method, design, landscape treatment and location and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 2(r).

### 3.3 Limited Discretionary Activities

Add 3.1(c) and (d) as follows:

(c) earthworks for Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length or for culverts greater than 10m in length or for carpark with more than 5 & 8 carparking spaces, or for parks access roads in the Open Space Environment

(d) earthworks for Parks Maintenance where the enhancement/improvement to a bridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40% in the Open Space Environment.

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of scale, method, design, landscape treatment and location and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 2(r).

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

*Discretionary Activities* applications will be assessed having regard to Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 3(r) and any other matters which are relevant under section 104 of the Act.

### ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Amend the assessment criterion **3(l)** as follows:

**3(l)**

The extent to which proposed *earthworks* are necessary to accommodate *development* otherwise permitted by the *Plan*, or to facilitate the use of land in the *Open Space Environment*.

Add a new criterion **3(r)** as follows:

**3(r)**

The extent to which the proposed *earthworks* are for development proposed in a relevant *Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan* and avoids any species known to be threatened or endangered

To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers 10.28 11.32 and 12.9

# RESTORATION NATURAL AREA

## PROCEDURAL GUIDELINE FOR THE RULES

### Step 7 (Page 2)

Add a new sentence to the end of this section as follows:

Note that the written approval of the landowner – Waitakere City Council, Auckland Regional Council or Department of Conservation will be required in relation to any proposed activity in the Open Space Environment, and including land that is managed by the Auckland Regional Council.

## RULE 2 VEGETATION ALTERATION

### 2.1 Permitted Activities

Amend 2.1(c) as follows:

(c) any vegetation alteration of :

- (i) vegetation listed in the Environmentally Damaging Plants Appendix, and
- (ii) exotic vegetation less than 6.0 metres in height and less than 600mm in girth (as measured at any point higher than 1.4 metres above the ground),  
provided that any clearance does not exceed a total cleared area of 500m<sup>2</sup>, <sup>2</sup>, and is not in the Open Space Environment.

Amend 2.1(e) as follows:

- (e) Vegetation alteration for Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment any vegetation alteration or track and trail systems where provided for in park management plans and approved under the Reserves Act 1977, Conservation Act 1987, Local Government Act 1974 or Auckland Centennial Memorial Park Act 1941, provided that the vegetation alteration meets the following standards:
- the vegetation alteration of native and exotic vegetation is less than 6.0 metres in height and less than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4 metres above the ground), and the work is undertaken using environmental best practices that include accepted modern arboricultural practices, weed management plans and measures to protect adjoining vegetation
  - (i) - is no greater than 1.0 metre from either edge of a footpath (to provide unimpeded pedestrian access) or a cycleway, bridle track, boardwalk or track, and
  - (ii) meets the requirements set out in the New Zealand Standards Handbook for Track and Outdoor Visitor Structures(SNZHB8630:2004) for bush walks, tramping tracks and routes or is no more than 1 metre from the edge of the track which ever is the LESSER distance.

### 2.2 Controlled Activities

Add 2.1(e) as follows:

(e) Parks Infrastructure in the Open Space Environment.

### 2.3 Limited Discretionary Activities

Amend the first bullet point and amend the following two bullet points to Rule 2.3:

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- any vegetation alteration not meeting the standards in Rule 2.1 (a), (b), (c) and (d) or 2.2
- any vegetation alteration for Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment not meeting the performance standards in Rule 2.1(e) where the native and exotic vegetation is more than 6.0 metres in height and greater than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4 metres above the ground), or where the width from the edge of a footpath, track, footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 1.0m, or where the enhancement/improvement to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40%.
- any vegetation alteration for Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length, or for culverts over 10m in length, or for carparks with more than 5 car parking spaces in the Open Space Environment.

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of scale, method, *landscape treatment* and location and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 2(a) – ~~2(m)~~.(n)

**ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

Add a new bullet point to the assessment criterion **2(l)** as follows:

**2(l)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* is necessary to:

- facilitate the use of land in the Open Space Environment

Add new criteria **2(m)** and **2(n)** as follows:

**2(m)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* is for development proposed in a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan.

**2(n)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* in an *Open Space Environment* avoids significant vegetation and any species known to be threatened or endangered.

To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers 10.28, 11.32 and 12.9

**RULE 3 EARTHWORKS**

**3.1 Permitted Activities**

Add a second bullet point to Rule 3.1 as follows:

- *earthworks* for Parks Furniture, Parks Signs, and Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment provided that there are no earthworks on a sensitive ridge or headland/cliff/scarp as shown on the Natural Areas Maps, and  
- the earthworks activities are in accordance with the sediment control measures outlined in the Erosion/Sediment Control Measures Appendix, and  
- are undertaken using environmental best practice methods.

**3.2 Limited Discretionary Activities**

Add 3.1(d) as follows:

- (d) any earthworks for Parks Infrastructure in the Open Space Environment provided that there are no earthworks on a sensitive ridge or headland/cliff/scarp as shown on the Natural Areas Maps.

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of scale, clearance, method, and landscape treatment and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 2(r).

### 3.3 Discretionary Activities

Add 3.3 (c) and (d) as follows:

- (c) any earthworks for Parks Maintenance where the enhancement/improvement to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40%, in the Open Space Environment.
- (d) any earthworks for Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length, or for culverts over 10m in length, or for carparks with more than 5 8 car parking spaces, or for parks access roads in the Open Space Environment.

#### Amend the wording of the following sentence:

*Discretionary Activities* applications will be assessed having regard to Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 3(r) and any other matters which are relevant under section 104 of the Act.

### ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Amend the assessment criterion **3(l)** as follows:

#### **3(l)**

The extent to which proposed *earthworks* are necessary to accommodate *development* otherwise permitted by the *Plan*, or to facilitate the use of land in the Open Space Environment.

Add a new criterion **3(r)** as follows:

#### **3(r)**

The extent to which the proposed earthworks are for development proposed in a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan and avoids any species known to be threatened or endangered

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To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers

10.28 and 11.32 and 12.9

## Rule 6 Buildings

### Rule 6.1 Permitted Activities

Amend by adding the words in bold:

Add two new (second and third) bullet points to Rule 6.1 as follows:

- **Buildings** on that part of any site within a *Restoration Natural Area*, where existing *building coverage* is not increased
- *Parks Infrastructure and Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment.*
- *The alteration of existing Parks Buildings or Parks Facilities on that part of any site within a Restoration Natural Area, where building coverage is not increased*

Amend the first bullet point of Rule 6.2 by adding the words in bold as follows:

### 6.2 Limited Discretionary Activities

- buildings including Parks Buildings or Parks Facilities on that part of any site within a Restoration Natural Area, where building coverage is increased

Add two new bullet points by adding the

- Parks Maintenance where the enhancement/improvement to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40%, in the *Open Space Environment*.
- Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length or a culvert is greater than 10m in length in the *Open Space Environment*.

Amend the wording of the following sentence by adding the numbers in bold:  
 Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of scale, location, method, *design*, and *monitoring* and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 6(a) – **6(e)**.

Add 2 new assessment criteria **6(d)** and **6(e)** as follows:

**6(d)**

The extent to which proposed bridge, boardwalk or building is necessary to facilitate the use of land for public access in the *Open Space Environment*.

**6(e)**

The extent to which the proposed bridge, boardwalk or building is in accordance with development proposed in a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy.

To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers **10.28** **11.32** and **12.9**

# MANAGED NATURAL AREA PROCEDURAL GUIDELINE FOR THE RULES

## Step 7 (Page 2)

Add a new sentence to the end of this section as follows:

Note that the written approval of the landowner – Waitakere City Council, Auckland Regional Council or Department of Conservation will be required in relation to any proposed activity in the Open Space Environment, and including land that is managed by the Auckland Regional Council.

## RULE 2 VEGETATION ALTERATION

### 2.1 Permitted Activities

Amend 2.1(b) as follows:

- (b) any *vegetation alteration* of :
- (i) *exotic vegetation*, and
  - (ii) *vegetation* listed in the Removable Vegetation Appendix and the Environmentally Damaging Plants Appendix,
- provided that any clearance does not exceed a total cleared area of 500m<sup>2</sup>, and is not in the Open Space Environment.

Amend 2.1(d) as follows:

- (d) Vegetation alteration for Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment any vegetation alteration for track and trail systems where provided for in park management plans and approved under the Reserves Act 1977, Conservation Act 1987, Local Government Act 1974 or Auckland Centennial Memorial Park Act 1941. provided that the vegetation alteration meets the following standards:
- the vegetation alteration of native and exotic vegetation is less than 6.0 metres in height and less than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4 metres above the ground), and the work is undertaken using environmental best practices that include accepted modern arboricultural practices, weed management plans and measures to protect adjoining vegetation
  - (i) - is no greater than 1.0 metre from either edge of a footpath (to provide unimpeded pedestrian access) or a cycleway, bridle track, boardwalk or track, and
  - (ii) meets the requirements set out in the New Zealand Standards Handbook for Track and Outdoor Visitor Structures(SNZHB8630:2004) for bush walks, tramping tracks and routes or is no more than 1 metre from the edge of the track which ever is the LESSER distance.

### 2.2 Controlled Activities

Add 2.2 (e) as follows:

- (e) Parks Infrastructure in the Open Space Environment.

Amend the wording of the following sentence:

Assessment of *Controlled Activity* Applications will be limited to the matters of *landscape treatment*, scale, method and location and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 2(a) – ~~2(t)~~ (u)

### 2.3 Limited Discretionary Activities

Add the following two clauses (d) and (e) to Rule 2.3:

- (d) any vegetation alteration for Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment not meeting the performance standards in Rule 2.1(e) where the native and exotic vegetation

is more than 6.0 metres in height and greater than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4metres above the ground), or where the width from the edge of a footpath, track, footbridge, boardwalk is greater than 1.0m, or the enhancement/improvement to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40%.

(e) any vegetation alteration for Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length, or for culverts over 10m in length, or for carparks with more than 5 car parking spaces in the Open Space Environment.

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of *landscape treatment*, scale, method, and location and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 2(a) – ~~2(t)~~ (u)

**Amend the wording of the following sentence after 2.4 Discretionary Activities:**

*Discretionary Activities* applications will be assessed having regard to Assessment Criteria 2(a) – ~~2(t)~~ (u) and any other matters which are relevant under section 104 of the Act.

**ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

Add a new bullet point to the assessment criterion **2(p)** as follows:

**2(p)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* is necessary to:

- facilitate the use of land in the Open Space Environment

Add new criteria **2(t)** and **2(u)** as follows:

**2(t)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* is for development proposed in a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan.

**2(u)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* in an *Open Space Environment* avoids significant vegetation and any species known to be threatened or endangered.

To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers 10.28, 11.32 and 12.9

**RULE 3 EARTHWORKS**

**3.1 Permitted Activities**

Add a new clause (b) to Rule 3.1 and renumber the existing clause (a) Activities meeting the following Performance Standards are *Permitted Activities*:

- (a) *earthworks* confined to an *approved building platform* provided that:
- there are no *earthworks* on a *sensitive ridge* or headland/cliff/scarp as shown on the *Natural Areas Maps*; and
  - the *earthworks* activities are in accordance with sediment control measures outlined in the *Erosion /Sediment Control Measures Appendix*,
  - the *earthworks* are not for the purpose of a *Solid Waste Landfill*.

- (b) *earthworks* for *Parks Furniture, Parks Signs and Parks Maintenance* in the *Open Space Environment*.

### 3.2 Limited Discretionary Activities

Add the following two clauses (d) and (e) to Rule 3.2:

(d) earthworks for Parks Infrastructure in the Open Space Environment, and

(e) earthworks for Parks Maintenance where the enhancement/improvements to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40% in the Open Space Environment.

(f) earthworks outside a building platform for Parks Facilities provided that they do not exceed 30m<sup>2</sup>

#### Amend the wording of the following sentence:

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of scale, design, location, method and *landscape treatment* and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 3(r).

### 3.3 Discretionary Activities

Add the following clause (c) to Rule 3.3:

(c) earthworks for Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length, or for culverts over 10m in length, or for carparks with more than 5 car parking spaces in the Open Space Environment.

#### Amend the wording of the following sentence:

*Discretionary Activities* applications will be assessed having regard to Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 3(r) and any other matters which are relevant under section 104 of the Act.

### Assessment Criteria

Amend the assessment criterion 3(l) as follows:

#### 3(l)

The extent to which proposed *earthworks* are necessary to accommodate *development* otherwise permitted by the *Plan*, or to facilitate the use of land in the *Open Space Environment*.

Add a new criterion 3(r) as follows:

#### 3(r)

The extent to which the proposed *earthworks* are for development proposed in a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan and avoids any species known to be threatened or endangered

To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers 10.28 11.32 and 12.9

# COASTAL NATURAL AREA

## PROCEDURAL GUIDELINE FOR THE RULES

### Step 7 (Page 2)

Add a new sentence to the end of this section as follows:

Note that the written approval of the landowner – Waitakere City Council, Auckland Regional Council or Department of Conservation will be required in relation to any proposed activity in the Open Space Environment, and including land that is managed by the Auckland Regional Council.

## RULE 2 VEGETATION ALTERATION

### 2.1 Permitted Activities

Amend 2.1(d) as follows:

- (d) Vegetation alteration for Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment any vegetation alteration for track and trail systems where provided for in park management plans and approved under the Reserves Act 1977, Conservation Act 1987, Local Government Act 1974 or Auckland Centennial Memorial Park Act 1944, provided that the vegetation alteration meets the following standards:
- the vegetation alteration of native and exotic vegetation is less than 6.0 metres in height and less than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4 metres above the ground), and the work is undertaken using environmental best practices that include accepted modern arboricultural practices, weed management plans and measures to protect adjoining vegetation
  - (i) - is no greater than 1.0 metre from either edge of a footpath (to provide unimpeded pedestrian access) or a cycleway, bridle track, boardwalk or track, and
  - (ii) meets the requirements set out in the New Zealand Standards Handbook for Track and Outdoor Visitor Structures(SNZHB8630:2004) for bush walks, tramping tracks and routes or is no more than 1 metre from the edge of the track which ever is the LESSER distance.

### 2.2 Controlled Activities

Add 2.2 (e) as follows:

- (e) Parks Infrastructure in the Open Space Environment.

### 2.3 Limited Discretionary Activities

Add two new clauses (c) and (d) to Rule 2.3:

- (c) any vegetation alteration for Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment not meeting the performance standards in Rule 2.1(d) where the native and exotic vegetation is more than 6.0 metres in height and greater than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4 metres above the ground), or where the width from the edge of a footpath, track, footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 1.0m, or the enhancement/improvement to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40%.
- (d) any vegetation alteration for Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length, or for culverts over 10m in length, or for carparks with more than 5 car parking spaces in the Open Space Environment.

Amend the wording of the following sentence:

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of scale, method, *landscape treatment*, *planting* and location and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 2(a) – 2(f) (g).

**Amend the wording of the following sentence after 2.4 Discretionary Activities:**

*Discretionary Activities* applications will be assessed having regard to Assessment Criteria 2(a) – ~~2(p)~~ (q) and any other matters which are relevant under section 104 of the Act.

**ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

Add a new bullet point to the assessment criterion 2(o) as follows:

**2(o)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* is necessary to:

- facilitate the use of land in the Open Space Environment

Add new criteria 2(p) and 2(q) as follows:

**2(p)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* is for development proposed in a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan.

**2(q)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* in an *Open Space Environment* avoids significant vegetation and any species known to be threatened or endangered.

To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers 10.28, 11.32 and 12.9

**RULE 3 EARTHWORKS**

**3.1 Permitted Activities**

Add a second bullet point to Rule 3.1 as follows:

- earthworks for Parks Furniture, Parks Signs and Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment provided that there are no earthworks on a sensitive ridge or headland/cliff/scarp as shown on the Natural Areas Maps, and  
- the earthworks activities are in accordance with the sediment control measures outlined in the Erosion/Sediment Control Measures Appendix, and  
- are undertaken using environmental best practice methods.

**3.2 Limited Discretionary Activities**

Add the two following bullet points to Rule 3.2:

- any earthworks for Parks Infrastructure in the Open Space Environment provided that there are no earthworks on a sensitive ridge or headland/cliff/scarp as shown on the Natural Areas Maps;
- earthworks outside a building platform for parks facilities provided that they do not exceed 30m<sup>3</sup>

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of scale, method, location, *design* and *landscape treatment* and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 3(r).

**3.3 Discretionary Activities**

Add the following two bullet points to Rule 3.3:

- any earthworks for Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment where the enhancement/improvement to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40% any earthworks for Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in

length, or for culverts over 10m in length, or for carparks with more than 5 8 car parking spaces or for parks access roads in the *Open Space Environment*.

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

*Discretionary Activities* applications will be assessed having regard to Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 3(r) and any other matters which are relevant under section 104 of the Act.

**ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

Amend the assessment criterion 3(n) as follows:

**3(n)**

The extent to which proposed *earthworks* are necessary to accommodate *development* otherwise permitted by the *Plan*, or to facilitate the use of land in the *Open Space Environment*.

Add a new criterion 3(r) as follows:

**3(r)**

The extent to which the proposed *earthworks* are for development proposed in a relevant *Operative Reserve Management Plan*, *Parks Concept Plan*, *current Waitakere City Parks Strategy* or *current operative Regional Parks management plan* and avoids any species known to be threatened or endangered

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To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers 10.28 and 11.32

# PROTECTED NATURAL AREA

## PROCEDURAL GUIDELINE FOR THE RULES

### Step 7 (Page 2)

Add a new sentence to the end of this section as follows:

Note that the written approval of the landowner – Waitakere City Council, Auckland Regional Council or Department of Conservation will be required in relation to any proposed activity in the Open Space Environment, and including land that is managed by the Auckland Regional Council.

## RULE 2 VEGETATION ALTERATION

### 2.1 Permitted Activities

Amend Rule 2.1(d) as follows:

- (d) Vegetation alteration for Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment, any vegetation alteration for track and trail systems where provided for in park management plans approved under the Reserves Act 1977, Conservation Act 1987, Local Government Act 1974 or Auckland Centennial Memorial Park Act 1944, provided that the vegetation alteration meets the following standards:
- the vegetation alteration of native and exotic vegetation is less than 6.0 metres in height and less than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4 metres above the ground), and the work is undertaken using environmental best practices that include accepted modern arboricultural practices, weed management plans and measures to protect adjoining vegetation
  - (i) - is no greater than 1.0 metre from either edge of a footpath (to provide unimpeded pedestrian access) or a cycleway, bridle track, boardwalk or track, and
  - (ii) meets the requirements set out in the New Zealand Standards Handbook for Track and Outdoor Visitor Structures(SNZHB8630:2004) for bush walks, tramping tracks and routes or is no more than 1 metre from the edge of the track which ever is the LESSER distance.

### 2.2 Controlled Activities

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

Assessment of *Controlled Activity* applications will be limited to the matters of *landscape treatment*, scale, method, planting and location and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 2(a) – 2(a) (r).

**Add the following category:**

### 2.3 Limited Discretionary Activities

Add the following bullet point to Rule 2.3:

- Parks Infrastructure in the Open Space Environment.

**Add the following sentence:**

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activity* applications will be limited to the matters of *landscape treatment*, scale, method, planting and location and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 2(a) – 2(a) (r).

### Renumber 2.3 2.4 Discretionary Activities

Add the following two bullet points to Rule 2.4

- any vegetation alteration for Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment not meeting the performance standards in Rule 2.1(d) where the native and exotic vegetation is more than 6.0 metres in height and greater than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4 metres above the ground), or where the width from the edge of a footpath, track, footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 1.0m, or where the enhancement/improvement to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40%.
- any vegetation alteration for Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length, or for culverts over 10m in length, or for carparks with more than 5-8 car parking spaces or for parks access roads in the Open Space Environment.

## Renumber 2.4 2.5 Non-Complying Activities

### ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Add a new bullet point to the assessment criterion 2(n) as follows:  
2(n)

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* is necessary to:

- facilitate the use of land in the Open Space Environment

Add new criteria 2(q) and 2(r) as follows:

#### 2(q)

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* is for development proposed in a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan.

#### 2(r)

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* in an *Open Space Environment* avoids significant vegetation and any species known to be threatened or endangered.

To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers 10.28, 11.32 and 12.9

## RULE 3 EARTHWORKS

### 3.1 Permitted Activities

Add a second bullet point to Rule 3.1:

- earthworks for Parks Furniture, Parks Signs and Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment provided that there are no earthworks on a sensitive ridge or headland/cliff/scarp as shown on the Natural Areas Maps; and  
- the earthworks activities are in accordance with the sediment control measures outlined in the Erosion/Sediment Control Measures Appendix, and  
- are undertaken using environmental best practice methods.

### 3.2 Limited Discretionary Activities

Add the following two bullet point to Rule 3.2:

- earthworks for Parks Infrastructure in the Open Space Environment provided that there are no earthworks on a sensitive ridge or headland/cliff/scarp as shown on the Natural Areas Maps;
- earthworks outside a building platform for parks facilities provided that they do not exceed 30m<sup>3</sup>

Amend the wording of the following sentence:

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of scale, location, method, *design* and *landscape treatment* and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 3(r).

Add the following category:

### 3.3 Discretionary Activities

Add the following two bullet points to Rule 3.3:

- earthworks for Parks Maintenance where the enhancement/improvement to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40%, in the Open Space Environment.
- earthworks for Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length, or for culverts over 10m in length, or for carparks with more than 5 8 car parking spaces, or for parks access roads in the Open Space Environment.

Add the following sentence:

*Discretionary Activities* applications will be assessed having regard to Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 3(r) and any other matters which are relevant under section 104 of the Act.

Renumber ~~3.3~~ 3.4 Non-Complying Activities

### ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Amend the assessment criterion 3(m) as follows:

#### 3(m)

The extent to which proposed *earthworks* are necessary to accommodate *development* otherwise permitted by the *Plan*, or to facilitate the use of land in the Open Space Environment.

Add a new criterion 3(r) as follows:

#### 3(r)

The extent to which the proposed earthworks are for development proposed in a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan and avoids any species known to be threatened or endangered

To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers 10.28 11.32 and 12.9

# RIPARIAN MARGINS/COASTAL EDGES NATURAL AREA

## PROCEDURAL GUIDELINE FOR THE RULES

### Step 7 (Page 2)

Add a new sentence to the end of this section as follows:

Note that the written approval of the landowner – Waitakere City Council, Auckland Regional Council or Department of Conservation will be required in relation to any proposed activity in the Open Space Environment, and including land that is managed by the Auckland Regional Council.

## RULE 2 VEGETATION ALTERATION

### 2.1 Permitted Activities

Amend Rule 2.1(d) as follows:

(d) Vegetation alteration for Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment, vegetation alteration for track and trail systems where provided for in park management plans approved under the Reserves Act 1977, Conservation Act 1987, Local Government Act 1974 or Auckland Centennial Memorial Park Act 1944, provided that the vegetation alteration meets the following standards:

- the vegetation alteration of native and exotic vegetation is less than 6.0 metres in height and less than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4 metres above the ground), and the work is undertaken using environmental best practices that include accepted modern arboricultural practices, weed management plans and measures to protect adjoining vegetation
- (i) - is no greater than 1.0 metre from either edge of a footpath (to provide unimpeded pedestrian access) or a cycleway, bridle track, boardwalk or track, and
- (ii) meets the requirements set out in the New Zealand Standards Handbook for Track and Outdoor Visitor Structures(SNZHB8630:2004) for bush walks, tramping tracks and routes or is no more than 1 metre from the edge of the track which ever is the LESSER distance.

### 2.2 Controlled Activities

Amend the wording of 2.2 (a) as follows:

- (i) exotic vegetation less than 6.0m in height and less than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4metres above the ground)

### 2.3 Limited Discretionary Activities

Add 2.1(c) as follows:

(c) vegetation alteration for Parks Infrastructure in the Open Space Environment.

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of scale, method, *landscape treatment* and location and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 2(a) – ~~2(f)~~ (u)

### 2.4 Discretionary Activities

Add the following two bullet points to Rule 2.4:

- any vegetation alteration for Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment not meeting the performance standards in Rule 2.1(d) where the native and exotic vegetation is more than 6.0 metres in height and greater than 600mm in girth (measured 1.4metres above the ground), or where the width from the edge of a footpath, track, footbridge or

boardwalk is greater than 1.0m, or the enhancement/improvement to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40%.

- any vegetation alteration for Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length, or for culverts over 10m in length, or for carparks with more than 5-8 car parking spaces, or for parks access roads in the Open Space Environment.

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

*Discretionary Activities* applications will be assessed having regard to Assessment Criteria 2(a) – ~~2(t)~~ (u) and any other matters which are relevant under section 104 of the Act.

**ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

Add a new bullet point to the assessment criterion **2(n)** as follows:

**2(n)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* is necessary to:

- facilitate the use of land in the Open Space Environment

Add new criteria **2(t)** and **2(u)** as follows:

**2(t)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* is for development proposed in a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan.

**2(u)**

The extent to which the proposed *vegetation alteration* in an *Open Space Environment* avoids significant vegetation and any species known to be threatened or endangered.

To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers 10.28, 11.32 and 12.9

**RULE 3 EARTHWORKS**

**3.1 Permitted Activities**

Add the following bullet point to Rule 3.1:

- (f) earthworks for Parks Furniture, Parks Signs and Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment.

**Renumber ~~3.4~~ 3.2 Limited Discretionary Activities**

Add two new clauses (c) and (d) to Rule 3.2;

- (c) earthworks for Parks Infrastructure in the Open Space Environment.
- (d) earthworks outside a building platform for parks facilities provided that they do not exceed 30m<sup>3</sup>

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of scale, method, *design, monitoring and planting* and location and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 3(w).

**Renumber ~~3.2~~ 3.3 Discretionary Activities**

Add the two following bullet points to Rule 3.3:

- earthworks for Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length, or a culvert is greater than 10m in length, or for carparks with more than 5–(8) car parking spaces or for parks access roads in the Open Space Environment.
- earthworks for Parks Maintenance where the enhancement/improvement to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40%, in the Open Space Environment.

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

*Discretionary Activity* applications will be assessed having regard to Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 3(w) and any other matters which are relevant under section 104 of the Act.

**ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

Add a new clause to the assessment criterion 3(o) as follows:

**3(o)**

The extent to which the proposed earthworks are necessary to accommodate development otherwise permitted by the Plan, or facilitate the use of land in the Open Space Environment.

Add a new criterion 2(w) as follows:

**2(w)**

The extent to which the proposed earthworks are for development proposed in a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan and avoids any species known to be threatened or endangered

**Renumber 3.3 3.4 Non-Complying Activities**

To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers 10.28 and 11.32 and 12.9

**Rule 7 BUILDINGS**

**7.1 Permitted Activities**

Add a new (second) bullet point to Rule 7.1 as follows:

- Parks Infrastructure and Parks Maintenance in the Open Space Environment.

**7.2 Limited Discretionary Activities**

Amend the first bullet point of Rule 7.2 as follows:

- The alteration of existing buildings including Parks Buildings or Parks Facilities or construction of new buildings including Parks Buildings or Parks Facilities not exceeding 10% of the part of the site within the Riparian Margins/Coastal Edge Natural Area

Add two new bullet points as follows:

- Parks Infrastructure where a footbridge or boardwalk is greater than 15m in length or a culvert is greater than 10m in length in the Open Space Environment.
- Parks Maintenance where the enhancement/improvement to a footbridge, boardwalk or culvert exceeds 40%, in the Open Space Environment.

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

Assessment of *Limited Discretionary Activities* applications will be limited to the matters of scale, location, method, *design*, and *monitoring* and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 7(a) – 7(n).

**Amend the wording of the following sentence:**

*Discretionary Activities* applications will be assessed having regard to Assessment Criteria 7(a) – 7(n) and any other matters which are relevant under section 104 of the Act.

**ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

Add a new assessment criterion **7(n)** as follows:

**7(n)**

The extent to which proposed *bridge or building* is necessary to facilitate the use of land for public access in the *Open Space Environment*.

Add a new criterion **7(o)** as follows:

**7(o)**

The extent to which the proposed *bridge or building* is in accordance with development proposed in a relevant *Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan* and avoids any species known to be threatened or endangered

To the Note at the end of the Assessment Criteria add the following 2 Policy numbers 10.28 and 11.32 and 12.9

**Amend Point 8 or 9 in the note box in all Natural Areas by deleting the word Proposed before the words Auckland Regional Plan:**

NOTES

1. If an activity is not controlled or restricted in any way by any part of the *Plan* it is permitted, but may require consents under other legislation/plans.
2. These rules may allow, with *resource consent*, for *cleanfill* activities, but do not allow for demolition fill (which is not *cleanfill*) or *solid waste landfill* which are *Non-Complying Activities* unless on a site nominated for that use in the *Plan*.
3. Activities must comply with all other relevant rules of the *Plan* or be the subject of a *resource consent*. Check all other rules in this *Natural Area* also the *Human Environment Rules* and the *City-Wide Rules* and the *Subdivision Rules*.
4. *Building platforms* are shown as part of an application for *building consent*.
5. Words in *italics* are defined - see the Definitions part of the *City-Wide Rules*.
6. Words in **bold** are explained - see the Explanations part of the Introduction to the Rules.
7. The Council may have a guideline to interpret this rule - check at the Council Offices.
8. For *resource consents* see the Information Requirements in the *City-Wide Rules*.
9. Activities will also need to comply with the relevant provisions of the Auckland Regional Council's Proposed Auckland Regional Plan: Sediment Control.

# District Plan Rules - #2

## Open space environment

**Procedural Guideline for the Rules  
Amend Step 8 as per the following attachment:**

### Rules

**Replace the following rules in their entirety:** (all text is underlined and the text changes introduced as a result of the submissions and included the Hearing Report/Draft Decision are in red and underlined)

- Rule 2 Building Height
- Rule 3 Height in Relation to Boundary
- Rule 4 Yards
- Rule 5 Building Coverage
- Rule 6 Building Location
- Rule 7 Parking and Traffic Generation
- Rule 11 Signs

**Amend Rule 9 - Infrastructure, and Rule 10 - Glare** (The text changes are underlined and the text changes introduced as a result of the submissions and included the Hearing Report/Draft Decision are in red and underlined)

**Rule 8 Noise remains unchanged**

# Open space environment

## PROCEDURAL GUIDELINE FOR THE RULES

### Step 8

(Page 2)

Add a new sentence to the end of the first paragraph of this section as follows:

"Note that the written approval of the landowner – Waitakere City Council, Auckland Regional Council or Department of Conservation will be required in relation to any proposed activity in the Open Space Environment and the lease (if applicable) may need amending, and including land that is managed by the Auckland Regional Council".

## BUILDING HEIGHT

### Rule 2

#### **RULES**

##### **2.0 General**

The following rules shall apply to Any Activity or development but not including involving the erection or alteration of Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities, Parks Furniture, Parks Infrastructure and Parks Maintenance or Parks Field Structures Parks Signs

##### **2.1 Permitted Activities**

- (a) Parks Facilities, Parks Furniture, Parks Infrastructure and Parks Signs; provided the maximum building height does not exceed 5.0m

(b) Parks Field Structures – no height limit

##### **2.3 Limited Discretionary Activities**

The following are Limited Discretionary Activities:-

- (a) Parks Facilities, Parks Furniture, Parks Infrastructure and Parks Signs; provided the maximum building height does not exceed 8.0m; or
- (b) Additions and alterations to existing Parks Buildings provided that the maximum gross floor area of any additions is no more than 10m<sup>2</sup> and there is no increase in the number of people the building is designed to accommodate, and the maximum building height does not exceed 8.0m

Assessment of Limited Discretionary Activities applications will be limited to the matters of height, location, screening, planting and design and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 2(a) – 2(f)

##### **2.4 Discretionary Activities**

The following are Discretionary Activities:-

- (a) Parks Furniture and Parks Infrastructure;

#### **ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

##### **2(a)**

The extent to which Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities or Parks Signs are of a height which avoid adverse effects on neighbourhood character.

##### **2(b)**

The extent to which Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities or Parks Signs are of a height, which does not physically dominate or intrude into privacy of adjoining sites.

##### **2(c)**

The extent to which Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities or Parks Signs are of a height, which avoids where possible, interruption of views from sites in the vicinity.

##### **2(d)**

The extent to which Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities or Parks Signs detract from the open space character of reserves or the natural landscape.

##### **2(e)**

The extent to which the Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities, Parks Furniture, Parks Infrastructure or Parks Signs are in accordance with the provisions of a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan.

##### **2(f)**

The extent to which more than minor adverse effects can be adequately avoided, remedied, mitigated or offset through provision of works and services on or off the site and/or through payment or provision of a financial contribution.

Note: See also Policies: 5.3, 9.5, 10.3, 10.5, 10.20

10.28, 11.3, 11.7, 11.32, 12.9

where the maximum building height would exceed 8.0m

(b) Parks buildings provided the maximum building height does not exceed 8.0m

(c) Parks Facilities and additions and alterations to existing parks buildings not meeting the standards in Rule 2.3 (b)

Assessment of Discretionary Activities applications will be assessed having regard to Assessment Criteria 2(a) – 2(f) and any other matters which are relevant under Section 104 of the Act.

### 2.5 Non-complying Activities

Any Activity involving the erection or alteration of Parks Buildings Parks Furniture Parks Infrastructure and Parks Signs, or Any Activity which is not a Permitted Activity or a Limited Discretionary Activity or a Discretionary Activity or any subdivision under the above rules shall be deemed to contravene a rule in the Plan and shall be a Non-Complying Activity.

### NOTES

1. If an activity is not controlled or restricted in any way by any part of the Plan it is permitted, but may require consents under other legislation/ plans.
2. Activities must comply with all other relevant rules of the Plan or be the subject of a resource consent. Check all other rules in this Human Environment and also the Natural Area Rules, the City-Wide Rules and, where relevant, the Subdivision Rules.
3. Words in italics are defined - see the Definitions part of the City-Wide Rules.
4. Words in bold are explained - see the Explanations part of the Introduction to the Rules.
5. The Council may have a guideline to help interpret this rule - check at the Council Offices.
6. For resource consents see the Information Requirements in the City-Wide Rules.

(Policy Section of the Waitakere District Plan)

### RESOURCE CONSENT CONDITIONS

In granting a resource consent Council may impose conditions. Conditions may include any one or more of the following matters:

- Limiting the height of parks buildings
- Altering the location of parks buildings
- Specifying building materials (exterior cladding) and colour to be used
- Requiring the provision of screening or planting
- Requiring the alteration of window design or positioning
- The imposition of a bond to ensure satisfaction of conditions of consent
- Requiring onsite or offsite works and services to avoid, remedy, mitigate or offset adverse effects.
- Such other matters provided for in section 108 of the Act.

Provided that, in the case of Limited Discretionary Activities, conditions may only be imposed in respect of the matters specified above to which the Council has restricted the exercise of its discretion.

**HEIGHT IN RELATION TO BOUNDARIES**

**Rule 3**

**RULES**

**3.0 General**

The following rules shall apply to Any Activity or development, but not including involving the erection or alteration of Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities and Parks Field Structures Parks Furniture, Parks Infrastructure or Parks Maintenance.

**3.1 Permitted Activities**

(a) Additions and alterations to existing Parks Buildings provided that the maximum gross floor area of any additions is no more than 10m<sup>2</sup> and there is no increase in the number of people the building is designed to accommodate, and

(b) Parks Facilities and Parks Field Structures;

provided (a) and (b) above meet the following performance standard:

- do not project beyond the following recession plane:

-southern most site boundary recession plane 35°

-western and eastern most site boundary recession plane 45°

-northern most site boundary recession plane 55°

as measured from any point 2.5m vertically above ground level on any site boundary adjoining land within the Living Bush Living, Waitakere Ranges, Rural Villages, Coastal Villages, Countryside or Foothills Environments, provided that:

- gable ends may penetrate the recession plane plane by no more than one- third of the gable height; and

- no account shall be taken of TV aerials, chimneys and decorative features that do not extend more than 1.0 metre in any horizontal direction

- where a site boundary adjoins a shared driveway, entrance strip, access lot or pedestrian access way the site boundary shall be taken as the furthest boundary of

**ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

**3(a)**

The extent to which the height, location and design of Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities or Parks Field Structures will allow for reasonable sunlight and daylight access to adjoining sites.

**3(b)**

The extent to which the height, location and design of Parks Buildings or Parks Facilities will allow for reasonable sunlight and daylight access to the proposed building

**3(c)**

The extent to which Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities or Parks Field Structures detract from the open space character of reserves or the natural landscape.

**3(d)**

The extent to which the Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities or Parks Field Structures are in accordance with the provisions of a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan.

**3(e)**

The extent to which more than minor adverse effects can be adequately avoided, remedied, mitigated or offset through provision of works and services on or off the site and/or through payment or provision of a financial contribution.

Note: See also Policies: 1.15, 5.3, 10.3, 10.5, 10.28,

11.3, 11.7, 11.32, 12.9

(Policy Section of the Waitakere District Plan)

the above

### **3.2 Limited Discretionary Activities**

The following are Limited Discretionary Activities:-

- (a) Additions and alterations to existing Parks Buildings provided that the maximum gross floor area of any additions is no more than 10m<sup>2</sup> and there is no increase in the number of people the building is designed to accommodate, and
- (b) Parks Facilities and Parks Field Structures: which do not meet the standards for recession planes in Rule 3.1

Assessment of Limited Discretionary Activities applications will be limited to the matters of height, location, screening, planting and design and will be considered in accordance with Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 3(e).

### **3.3 Discretionary Activities**

The following are Discretionary Activities:-

- (a) Parks Buildings which meet the following performance standard:

do not project beyond the following recession plane:

-southern most site boundary recession plane 35°

-western and eastern most site boundary recession plane 45°

-northern most site boundary recession plane 55°

as measured from any point 2.5m vertically above ground level on any site boundary adjoining land within the Living, Bush Living, Waitakere Ranges, Rural Villages, Coastal Villages, Countryside or Foothills Environments, provided that:

- gable ends may penetrate the recession plane by no more than one-third of the gable height; and

- no account shall be taken of TV aerials, chimneys and decorative features that do not extend more than 1.0 metre in any horizontal direction

- where a site boundary adjoins a shared driveway, entrance strip, access lot or pedestrian access way the site boundary shall be taken as the furthest boundary of the above

- (b) Additions and alterations to existing Parks Buildings and Parks Facilities not meeting

### **RESOURCE CONSENT CONDITIONS**

In granting a resource consent Council may impose conditions. Conditions may include any one or more of the following matters:

- Limiting the height of parks buildings
- Altering the location of parks buildings
- Altering the design of buildings
- Specifying building materials (exterior cladding) and colour to be used
- Requiring the provision of screening or planting
- Covenanted existing or planted vegetation
- The imposition of a bond to ensure satisfaction of conditions of consent
- Requiring onsite or offsite works and services to avoid, remedy, mitigate or offset adverse effects.
- Such other matters provided for in section 108 of the Act.

Provided that, in the case of Limited Discretionary Activities, conditions may only be imposed in respect of the matters specified above to which the Council has restricted the exercise of its discretion.

the standards in Rule 3.1 or Rule 3.2.

Assessment of Discretionary Activities applications will be assessed having regard to Assessment Criteria 3(a) – 3(e) and any other matters which are relevant under Section 104 of the Act.

### **3.4 Non-complying Activities**

Any Activity involving the erection or alteration of Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities and Parks Field Structures or Any Activity which is not a Permitted Activity, Controlled Activity, Limited Discretionary Activity or a Discretionary Activity or any subdivision under the above rules shall be deemed to contravene a rule in the Plan and shall be a Non-Complying Activity.

#### **NOTES**

If an activity is not controlled or restricted in any way by any part of the Plan it is permitted, but may require consents under other legislation/ plans.

Activities must comply with all other relevant rules of the Plan or be the subject of a resource consent. Check all other rules in this Human Environment and also the Natural Area Rules, the City-Wide Rules and, where relevant, the Subdivision Rules.

3. Words in italics are defined - see the Definitions part of the City-Wide Rules.
4. Words in bold are explained - see the Explanations part of the Introduction to the Rules.
5. The Council may have a guideline to help interpret this rule - check at the Council Offices.
6. For resource consents see the Information Requirements in the City-Wide Rules.

## Rule 4

**RULES****4.0 General**

The following rules shall apply to Any Activity of development involving the erection or alteration of Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities, Parks Furniture, Parks Infrastructure, Parks Field Structures and Parks Sports Fields

**4.1 Permitted Activities**

- (a) Parks Facilities, Parks Furniture and Parks Infrastructure, which meet the following performance standard:
- 3m setback from any site boundary which adjoins land within the Living, Bush Living, Waitakere Ranges, Rural Villages, Coastal Villages, Countryside or Foothills Environments, provided that footpaths in pedestrian access ways providing access into a park or between two public places are exempt from this provision.
- (b) Parks Field Structures which meet the following performance standard:
- 6.0m setback from a road boundary and
  - 4m from any other site boundary
- (c) Parks Sports Fields (markings) which meet the following performance standard:
- 6.0m setback from any site boundary which adjoins land within the Living, Bush Living, Waitakere Ranges, Rural Villages, Coastal Villages, Countryside or Foothills Environments
  - 5m from any other site boundary

**4.3 Limited Discretionary Activities**

The following are Limited Discretionary Activities:-

- (a) Parks Facilities, Parks Field Structures, Parks Furniture, Parks Infrastructure and Parks Sports Fields not meeting the standards in Rule 4.1(a)
- (b) Additions and alterations to existing Parks Buildings provided that the maximum gross floor area of any additions is no more than 10m<sup>2</sup> and

**ASSESSMENT CRITERIA****4(a)**

Parks Facilities, Parks Furniture, Parks Infrastructure, Parks Field Structures and Parks Sports Fields should be located a sufficient distance back from any adjoining land within a Living Environment or a Waitakere Ranges Environment or a Rural Villages Environment or Countryside Environment or a Foothills Environment to ensure a balance between the need for privacy and opportunities for surveillance of the park.

**4(b)**

Parks Facilities, Parks Furniture, Parks Infrastructure, Parks Field Structures and Parks Sports Fields should be located a sufficient distance back from the road boundary and site boundaries to avoid adverse effects on neighbourhood character.

**4(c)**

Parks Facilities, Parks Furniture, Parks Infrastructure, Parks Field Structures and Parks Sports Fields should be located a sufficient distance back from the road boundary to maintain opportunities for planting.

**4(d)**

The extent to which Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities, Parks Furniture, Parks Infrastructure, Parks Field Structures and Parks Sports Fields detract from the open space character of reserves or the natural landscape.

4(e) The extent to which there are adequate setbacks for Parks Field Structures and Parks Sports Fields to ensure safety for activities in the park or reserve

**4(f)**

The extent to which the Parks Buildings, Parks Facilities, Parks Field Structures, Parks Furniture, Parks Infrastructure and Parks Sports Fields are in accordance with the provisions of a relevant Operative Reserve Management Plan, Parks Concept Plan, current Waitakere City Parks Strategy or current operative Regional Parks management plan.

**4(g)**

The extent to which more than minor adverse effects