Canterbury Regional Policy Statement 2013 Revised February 2017

Amendments to Chapter 6 and Definitions for Greater Christchurch – December 2018

On 17 December 2018, Hon Nanaia Mahuta, acting for the Minister for Greater Christchurch Regeneration, approved a Proposal prepared by the Christchurch City Council to amend the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement and the Christchurch District Plan using section 71 of the Greater Christchurch Regeneration Act 2016. The amendments are required to rezone and enable further development of sports and recreation facilities at the Yaldhurst Recreation and Sports Facility, 466–482 Yaldhurst Road (known as the Christchurch Football Centre).

The approval was gazetted on 19 December 2018 and the changes to both the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement and the Christchurch District Plan take effect from this date.

The changes to the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement affect Chapter 6 and the Definitions for Greater Christchurch as shown below. Inserted text is shown in red and is underlined while deletions are shown in red and are struck through.

Due to timing, these changes have not yet been incorporated in the ‘Canterbury Regional Policy Statement 2013 – Revised February 2017’ document. The changes do however form part of the operative Regional Policy Statement and will be incorporated at the next available opportunity.

CHAPTER 6

Policy 6.3.1 – Development within the Greater Christchurch area

In relation to recovery and rebuilding for Greater Christchurch:

(1) give effect to the urban form identified in Map A, which identifies the location and extent of urban development that will support recovery, rebuilding and planning for future growth and infrastructure delivery;

(2) give effect to the urban form identified in Map A (page 6-27) by identifying the location and extent of the indicated Key Activity Centres;

(3) enable development of existing urban areas and greenfield priority areas, including intensification in appropriate locations, where it supports the recovery of Greater Christchurch;

(4) ensure new urban activities only occur within existing urban areas or identified greenfield priority areas as shown on Map A, unless they are otherwise expressly provided for in the CRPS;

(5) provide for educational facilities in rural areas in limited circumstances where no other practicable options exist within an urban area; and
(6) provide for a metropolitan recreation facility at 466-482 Yaldhurst Road; and

(6) (7) avoid development that adversely affects the function and viability of, or public investment in, the Central City and Key Activity Centres.

Principal reasons and explanation

To ensure that recovery resources are managed efficiently and sustainably, the provisions identify where certain types of development can take place, and where they cannot take place. The provisions also recognise that specific activities are provided for outside of urban areas elsewhere in the CRPS, such as papakāinga housing and marae under Policy 5.3.4, and educational facilities where no other practicable options for locating the facility exist, and a metropolitan recreation facility at 466-482 Yaldhurst Road that serves the urban population. It is anticipated that established urban activities located outside of the identified urban area will be able to continue to operate their activities, with any expansion considered on a case-by-case basis.

6.4 Anticipated Environmental Results

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(19) Development opportunities for a metropolitan recreation facility at 466-482 Yaldhurst Road are provided for.

Definitions for Greater Christchurch

Insert the following definition after “Key Activity Centres”:

Metropolitan recreation facility

Means a single or multi-purpose recreation facility, whether indoor or outdoor, used for the purposes of participating in or viewing sports and active recreation and which is of a size, function and character typical of those located in urban areas and/or serving the urban population. Such a facility may include:

- large scale indoor sports and recreation facilities;
- multiple outdoor playing fields and courts;
- stadia;
- athletics complexes;
- aquatic facilities; and
- ancillary facilities such as club rooms, spectator seating, and lighting with associated support structures