Updating our Significance & Engagement Policy



We encourage you to complete this submission form online at www.sayitnapier.nz. Submissions close at 5pm, Friday 26 April.

Our Significance and Engagement Policy enables Council and its communities to identify the degree of significance attached to particular issues, proposals, assets, decisions, and activities. The policy also provides clarity around when and how the community may be engaged in the decision-making processes about different issues, assets, or other matters.

We are proposing the following changes to this policy:

- Wording and structure changes to provide more clarity, consistency, and readability.
- Additional wording to explain Council's decision-making process and the place of this
 policy in the process.
- Additional wording to refer to the lwi Engagement Policy.
- Additional wording to outline how findings on significance are documented.
- Specifically naming the different Council Housing villages and Lagoon Farm under 'Schedule 2: Strategic Assets' to provide more accuracy around what is included in the policy.

You can read the draft Significance & Engagement Policy on sayitnapier.nz or at our customer service centre, 215 Hastings Street. If you can't make an online submission on sayitnapier.nz, please collect a paper submission form from the customer service centre or Napier or Taradale library.

Hearings for this consultation are scheduled for 27 and 28 May 2024.

Option 1: Update the Significance & Engagement Policy

Under this option, the proposed changes would be made to the policy. This would result in a more accurate, clear, and consistent policy.

Option 2: Status quo: no change

Under this option, the policy would remain as it is.

Closing date for submissions is 5pm, 26 April 2024