



PROPOSED
KAIPARA
DISTRICT PLAN

DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS

Light

General Overview

We are reviewing and updating our current District Plan – looking ahead to the next 10 to 15 years. The Kaipara District Plan is essentially the ‘rule book’, which is applied to manage development, activities and the environment within the district.

The District Plan influences the future shape and feel of our district, which is why it's important for Kaipara communities to be informed and get involved. Its purpose is to protect our environment, historic locations and cultural tāonga for future generations, through sustainable management of our resources, while supporting our communities to develop and grow.

We're seeking input on the Proposed District Plan from Monday 28 April to Monday 30 June 2025.

The potential effects of lighting and glare must be considered in any subdivision and land use development.

Lighting can affect amenity and the health and wellbeing of neighbours if it is not appropriately controlled. This issue is particularly significant in residential environments, where there is recreational park lighting or with industrial lighting near residential properties.

What are we proposing?

We are proposing simple and enabling provisions to manage the effects of artificial outdoor lighting in residential areas. The proposed rule maintains the same lighting levels as the Operative District Plan, resulting in minimal change, except improved clarity around objectives and policies.

Where do the rules for lighting apply?

The proposed rules apply across all zones and are designed to protect sensitive (i.e. residential areas) from activities that require high levels of lighting, for example industrial activities.

How is lighting measured?

The proposed rules require lighting to be measured and assessed according to AS/ NZS 4282:2023 Control of the obstructive effects of outdoor lighting.

Lighting on external surfaces will be measured according to CIE 150:2017 Guide on the limitation of the effects of obtrusive light from outdoor.

Summary

- The proposed rules are simple and enabling but aim to protect residential areas from the effects of lighting and glare.

How much is changing?



NOT
MUCH

A LOT

**We'd love to hear
your views:**

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