

EARLY ENGAGEMENT

(PRE PUBLIC CONSULTATION)

TARGETED STAKEHOLDER GROUPS

WDC SPEED MANAGEMENT PLAN

LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THINK



This early engagment is preparing for public consultation, in February 2024, for the purposes of Section 82 of the Local Government Act 2002 and Section 3.5 of the Land Transport Rule:

Setting of Speed Limits 2022.

It includes the:

- Background to the proposal
 - Reasons for the proposal
 - 'Have your say' details

BACKGROUND

This Speed Management Plan is being developed by Waikato District Council to support the overall road safety goal of reducing deaths and serious injuries within the Waikato District.

As per the new Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2022, Council is required to create a Speed Management Plan. This helps us develop both our short-term and long-term changes to speed management, which includes adjusting speed limits and engineering treatments.

Speed limits will now be regularly reviewed, to identify any proposed speed limit changes and engineering treatments, as part of the development of a speed management plan for Waikato District.

These plans set out a 10-year vision with a 3-year implementation plan and are to be reviewed in line with the National Land Transport Programme funding timelines.

The Speed Management Plan (once adopted) will take the place of our Speed Limit Bylaw 2011.

DEVELOPING A SPEED MANAGEMENT PLAN



As the Road Controlling Authority, Waikato District Council is responsible for speed management on local roads in the district.*

To support the Speed Management Plan, a range of initiatives are required to be implemented such as speed limit changes, engineering treatments, enforcement by Police and the installation of speed cameras.

Speed management is about achieving safe and appropriate vehicle speeds that reflect a road's function, design, safety and use.

People and goods need to move efficiently around our transport network; however, we also need to see a reduction in deaths and serious injuries on the network.

*Waka Kotahi manages the state highway network.



Prior to the proposed Speed Management Plan going out for public consultation, in February 2024, we would like you to look at the proposed changes for the areas you live in, travel through, and represent and tell us what you think about them.

Our proposed Plan has a particular focus on marae, schools, community facilities, roads of concern (based on crash data and customer service requests) and roads/areas identified through the Speed Limits Bylaw review in 2022.

By ensuring that everyone feels safe to use our roading network, we open up opportunities for a more diverse use, and improvements in health such as letting children walk, bike or scooter to school.

This allows for easy use of a variety of modes of transport that connect people and communities, rather than dividing them

What we'd like to know

The proposed Speed Management Plan has been broken down into wards, then areas within those wards.

What we would like feedback on is how your local knowledge can inform the proposed speed changes.

- Are there any significant sites we missed in the proposed Speed Management Plan?
- Are there any roads we haven't considered?
- Are there any major speed issues in your area that we could consider applying treatments to?

You can comment on a specific road, or section of road, or an area.

SUBMISSIONS CAN BE:

ONLINE:

www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/sayit





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WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Council will acknowledge each submission received in writing, either by letter or email.

Following the closing of early engagment on 1 December 2023, all submissions will be reviewed. The feedback gathered through early engagement will be used to further refine the plan, before it goes out for public consultation in February 2024.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

ENGAGEMENT OPENS – 25 October 2023

ENGAGEMENT CLOSES – 1 December 2023

If you have any further queries or would like further copies of the proposed plan, please contact

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