



The applicant lodges a private plan change request with the Council (schedule 1, clauses 21 and 22).



The Council can request further information by written notice regarding clause 23(1).



The Council then considers the request (clause 25).



The Council then has several options for making a formal decision on how the private plan change will proceed, including:



A Reject the request (subject to clause 25(4)).



B Convert the request to a resource consent (subject to clause 25(3)).



C Accept the request in whole or in part (subject to clause 25(2)(b)).



D Adopt the request in whole or in part as if it were a proposed policy statement or plan made by Council itself (subject to clause 25(2)(a)). Note that this option is not automatically exempt from "plan stop" and may require prior approval from the Minister for the Environment.

# The Private Plan Change Process

More information on the private plan change process including the costs associated with this process can be found on the

**[Private Plan Change website](#)** and on the **[Private Plan Change Request Form](#)**.



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These decisions can be appealed to the Environment Court (clause 27).



The Council notifies the request, or part of the request under clause 26.



The process then proceeds under the same framework as a public plan change, and will include notification of the plan change, submissions and further submissions, and a hearing before Council's decision is notified.