



Intention to exchange local purpose reserve

Find out what Buller District Council is proposing.

Council intends to exchange the Local Purpose Reserve (drainage) land at 7 Herald Street, Reefton under s.15, Reserves Act 1977.

What is Council proposing?

Buller District Council (BDC) intends to exchange the portion of the Local Purpose Reserve (drainage) (S1369 Town of Reefton, highlighted in yellow) which runs through 7 Herald Street, Reefton (Sections 1155, 1156 and 1157 Town of Reefton) for land of an equivalent size on the northern boundary of the property (highlighted in red).

Why is Council proposing this land exchange?

The current Local Purpose Reserve (drainage) transects the property at 7 Herald Street, Reefton. The reserve was gazetted in 1968 and an open stormwater drain used to follow this path. The stormwater drain no longer flows through the current reserve but along the eastern and northern boundaries of the property (continued on page two).

Please note, the plan is not to scale and indicative only.



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Why is Council proposing this land exchange (continued)?

Council proposes to create a new local purpose reserve on the land to be exchanged on the Herald Street boundary (highlighted in red). This arrangement will reflect the location of current stormwater infrastructure on the property and will also allow the landowner to better utilise the property. The land for the proposed local purpose reserve will be equivalent in size to the existing reserve.

An easement is also proposed along the eastern boundary (highlighted in orange) to allow access to the drainage channel for cleaning and maintenance.

What is the process?

Under the Reserves Act 1977 (s.15) the following process must be followed:

- Council approval of Intention to exchange land (Council meeting 13 December 2023)
- Consultation with Iwi (March 2024)
- Public notification of the intention to exchange the land - with one month given for the public to make objections
- Council consideration of any objections
- Council resolution to proceed or not to proceed
- If proceeding Council submits the proposal, any objections and the Council's comments to the Commissioner and Minister of Conservation
- If the Minister agrees to the land exchange it is authorised by Gazette notice

How can you have your say?

If you would like to object to this proposed exchange of reserve land please make your objection in writing in one of the following ways:

- Post: Chief Executive Officer, Buller District Council, P.O. Box 21, Westport 7866; or
- Email: info@bdc.govt.nz with the subject Herald Street Reserve Exchange Objection.

Objections must be received no later than 5pm on 7 June 2024.



FOR MORE INFORMATION

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