DEVELOPMENT PLANNING UNIT

Submission on Variation 1: Housing Intensification

Clause 6 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991
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Submission details

A. General matter: Visual Effects

The specific provisions (objectives, policy and rules) of the proposal that my submission relates to are as follows: (please give details)

B. Deleted Clause MRZ-BFS5 Building and structure setbacks 4. Habitable room windows within any residential unit on the first floor or above shall avoid direct views into an adjacent residential unit located within 9m by...

C. MRZ-BFS-11 Windows to street. 1. Any residential unit facing the street must have a minimum of 20% of the street-facing facade in glazing. This can be in the form of windows or doors.

My submission is that: Please indicate whether you support or oppose the specific provisions or wish to have amendments made, giving reasons (include additional pages as necessary).

A. General matter: Previously the visual impact of building bulk has been mitigated by lesser permissible height and scale. Vegetation could typically be established by affected neighbours to screen any unwanted views of adjoining buildings. The intensification provided by the new rules will create new potential adverse visual effects from neighbouring structures. There do not seem to be any provisions, e.g. appearance controls, to mitigate this new adverse effect.

B. Deleted Clause MRZ-BFS5 (visual privacy between residences): Noted this protection of privacy between properties has been removed, yet the need for such privacy is increased, with the increased density allowed. This is basic urban design sense. A reconsideration of this matter and possibly re-inclusion of this control would be desirable.

C. MRZ-BFS-11 Windows to street: Note requirement to glaze 20% of the street facade. What is the benefit of this? It will have an adverse effects of heat loss to people's homes where these facades face south. Also consider privacy.

I/we have included: additional pages

I/we seek the following decision from the Waimakariri District Council: (give precise details, use additional pages if required)

A. Include appearance provisions in the new MDRS rules.

- B. Include privacy between residential unit provisions.
- C. Allow reduced glazed areas to residential street facades that face south.

Submission at the hearing
☐ I/we wish to speak in support of my/our submission
☐ I/we do not wish to speak in support of my/our submission
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- It is frivolous or vexatious
- · It discloses no reasonable or relevant case
- It would be an abuse of the hearing process to allow the submission (or the part) to be taken further
- · It contains offensive language
- It is supported only by material that purports to be independent expert evidence, but has been prepared by a
 person who is not independent or who does not have sufficient specialised knowledge or skill to give expert
 advice on the matter.

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Subject line: Submission Variation 1: Housing Intensification

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