

Memorandum

To District Development Committee
From Matthew Mackay (Principal Policy Planner)
Date 4 February 2026
Subject **Update on Planning Reforms 11 February 2026**

Purpose

The attached presentation provides an update on the Government Planning Reforms. This presentation is provided for information to the District Development Committee.

Background

The District Development Committee Terms of Reference include the following responsibility:

Consider the impact of the Government's Resource Management Act (RMA) reforms. Make recommendations to Council for consideration and / or approval, noting any strategic risks.

The attached presentation provides a further overview of the Planning Reforms and an update work to prepare submissions on the Planning Bill and Natural Environment Bill.

Recommendation

That the District Development Committee acknowledge receipt of the presentation *Update on Planning Reforms 11 February 2026* for information.

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