

Draft Nelson Plan - Open space and recreation zones

What has changed?

The following is a short summary comparing the approach to the Open space and recreation zone provisions in the current Nelson Resource Management Plan (NRMP) and the Draft Nelson Plan.

Activity	NRMP	Draft Nelson Plan
Spatial changes		
Zones and areas	<p>A single Open Space and Recreation zone, divided into nine areas (that don't align with reserve categories used by the NCC Parks team to manage Open Space areas).</p> <p>These nine areas are listed and described in a schedule in the Open Space and Recreation Zone provisions, but are not shown on the planning maps.</p>	<p>Three Open space and recreation zones:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open space zone • Natural open space zone • Sports and active recreation zone <p>Each zone is divided into three or four precincts to identify areas with specific uses and management requirements to align with reserve categories and uses.</p> <p>The zones and precincts are all shown on the Nelson Plan maps and are no longer listed in schedules.</p>
Objectives and Policies		
Role and function of different types of Open space	<p>Addresses the role and function of Open Space and Recreation generally, but not for each individual type of open space in the schedules.</p>	<p>Outlines the role and function of each zone and precinct as follows:</p> <p><u>Open Space zone:</u></p> <p>Public garden precinct</p> <p>Formal landscaping, arboricultural and heritage values.</p> <p>Neighbourhood park precinct</p> <p>Informal recreation activities to complement residential amenity</p>

		<p>City park precinct</p> <p>Compact urban spaces to provide relief from built environment and enhance urban amenity.</p> <p>Cemetery precinct</p> <p>Supports activities associated with funerals, cremations, burials and memorial services.</p> <p><u>Natural open space zone:</u></p> <p>Conservation precinct</p> <p>Areas of high ecological value and those that protect water supply.</p> <p>Hillside precinct</p> <p>Informal recreation opportunities with views over the urban area.</p> <p>Esplanade & foreshore precinct</p> <p>Provides public and customary access and vegetated buffer along water bodies and coast.</p> <p><u>Sports and recreation zone:</u></p> <p>Sports grounds</p> <p>Range of formal sports and associated facilities.</p> <p>Camping ground precinct</p> <p>Use of land for camping and associated activities</p> <p>Wakefield Quay precinct</p> <p>Use of land for maritime and coastal access.</p>
Future development of Open space	Policy framework to support development of new areas and change in use of existing areas.	Policy framework to support development of new areas and upgrade of existing areas.
Uses of Open space	Policy supports enabling identified uses.	Policy explicitly supports activities compatible with the role and

		function of the zone and precinct, park management and appropriate commercial activities.
Specific considerations for use and development	No specific considerations in policy framework, but assessment criteria given at rule level.	List of specific considerations, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPTED principles, • alignment with any relevant Reserve Management Plan, • impacts on Māori values and sites, and • consistency with the role and function of the zone and relevant precinct.
Rules / Standards		
Building bulk	<p>Permitted height of buildings is 7.5m, except at Trafalgar Park, Rutherford Park and Saxton Field, where it is 18m.</p> <p>Service buildings can be up to 50m². There is no permitted standard for the footprint of other buildings on Open space reserves.</p> <p>In both cases, proposals to exceed the permitted standard are a discretionary activity.</p>	<p>Permitted activity heights and building bulk on a site are (respectively):</p> <p><u>Open space zone:</u></p> <p>Public garden precinct 8m/ 50m²</p> <p>Neighbourhood park precinct 8m/ 50m²</p> <p>City park precinct 4m/ 25m²</p> <p>Cemetery precinct 14m/ 150m² (to allow for crematoria)</p> <p><u>Natural open space zone:</u></p> <p>Conservation precinct No standards, all buildings a discretionary activity</p> <p>Hillside precinct 8m/ 50m²</p> <p>Esplanade & foreshore precinct</p>

		<p>8m/ 50m²</p> <p><u>Sports and recreation zone:</u></p> <p>Sports ground precinct</p> <p>18m/ 5% of net site area</p> <p>Camping ground precinct</p> <p>8m/ 150m²</p> <p>Wakefield Quay precinct</p> <p>4m/ 100m²</p> <p>Proposals that exceed any of the permitted standards are a restricted discretionary activity.</p>
Commercial activities	No reference made to appropriate commercial activities in the rules.	<p>Sale of food and drink from mobile vehicles:</p> <p>Permitted activity in all zones and precincts, except Conservation and Cemetery precincts.</p> <p>Hire or sale of recreation equipment:</p> <p>Permitted activity in the Sports and recreation zone.</p> <p>Commercial guiding of recreational users:</p> <p>Permitted activity in the Natural open space zone.</p> <p>Existing cafes in the Open space zone (Isel, Melrose and Broadgreen) are also a permitted activity.</p> <p>Activities that exceed the permitted standards are a restricted discretionary activity.</p>
Other activities	No mention of other specific activities in the zone.	Other activities (park management, recreation, community activities etc) are a permitted activity in each zone.

This comparison table is for information only to assist the Draft Nelson Plan development process. The activities and status of rules may change. Refer to the Nelson City Council website for updates on progress or status of the Nelson Plan.