

Part 1 – Introduction and general provisions

Introduction

Description of the region

The area subject to the Nelson Plan encompasses the Nelson City Council region (referred to in this Plan as Whakatū Nelson), a land area of approximately 422km² on the eastern shores of Tasman Bay, extending from Champion Road, Stoke in the southwest, to Bryant Range in the east, and Raetihi/Cape Soucis in the north, and including the Coastal marine area (being the area of the coast that extends seaward from Mean High Water Springs for 12 miles) to the north-west.

Whakatū Nelson is made up of a mix of coastal, urban, rural and natural landscape environments. The City of Nelson is the largest population centre in the top of the South Island. Urban development is predominantly located on the flat land and lower hillsides between Stoke in the southwest, the Bryant Ranges to the southeast, Tasman Bay to the northeast and the Haven to the northwest, and can be grouped into four main areas: Nelson North, Nelson Central, Tahunanui-Port Hills and Stoke. Whakatū Nelson's urban environment also includes a City centre, smaller commercial centres, and industrial areas.

Whakatū Nelson is bordered by the Tasman District Council to the southwest, the Marlborough District Council to the east and southeast, and Tasman Bay along the coastal boundaries.

The boundaries of Whakatū Nelson are shown in Description of region – Figure 1: Area under the responsibility of Nelson City Council below.

Description of region – Figure 1: Area under the responsibility of the Nelson City Council

