

Draft Nelson Plan – Frequently asked questions

Temporary activities

What kinds of activities would these rules cover?

The Draft Nelson Plan rules relating to temporary activities would cover community, sporting or cultural events, especially those that have reasonably high noise levels and are held over short periods. The provisions acknowledge the contribution that these temporary events make to the wellbeing of Nelson residents, but also recognises the potential impact on nearby areas in terms of frequency and level of intensity.

How would the Draft Nelson Plan control those activities?

Larger-scale temporary events held on particular parks and public places are specifically provided for in Appendix APP46. These are the parks that are host to a number of the high-profile events in the Nelson calendar, such as Movies in the Park at Fairfield and Isel Parks, sporting events at Rutherford Park and Saxton Oval, and New Years celebrations at the Cathedral steps. The table sets out the number, hours of operation and maximum noise levels for each of those parks beyond which a consent will be required.

For any other site (except sites in a Residential zone), the rules allow for no more than one event per two-month period and no more than four events per year, provided that limits on noise and temporary structures are met. A temporary event on any site in the Residential zone would require a resource consent.

What would count as a “temporary activity”?

Activities and events that are intended to last a short time, such as markets, galas, parades, outdoor concerts and exhibitions.

What would not be considered as a “temporary activity”?

Activities that are a normal use of the site, such as barbecues and parties in a Residential zone, the use of community halls for cultural or recreational purposes and the use of sports grounds for general recreation.

Links to the Draft Nelson Plan

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