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| Q1 | Select the chapter you want to provide feedback on |
| | General Residential Zone |
| Q2 | In general, to what extent do you support the contents of this chapter? |
| | Neutral |
| Q3 | Objective/Policy/Rule/Standard reference: |
| | GRZ-S9 Frontage fencing |
| Q4 | Feedback/Comments |
| | <p>I do not support the proposed maximum height of fences in residential zones at 1.2 metres, along with the requirement for visual permeability of a fence above 0.9 metres in height. The use of amenity planting such as hedges on road boundaries in residential zones currently do not have any standards imposed through the Draft District Plan (height or visual permeability). The effects of impermeable hedges would be no different to solid boundary fences, and there is a potential for hedges to grow as high as a power line may permit.</p> <p>I also consider that there needs to be an appropriate balance being struck between privacy and maintaining residential amenity associated with fences. With higher density provision in urban areas, maintaining visual permeability of fences above 0.9 metres could conflict with individual wellbeing.</p> <p>While not a dog owner, I also see a potential issue with the proposed fence height limit of 1.2 metres for dog owners in urban areas. The Dog Control Act requires dog owners to ensure that when their dog is on their property it is either under control or cannot freely leave the property. Waipa District Council provides guidelines for controlling dogs on properties - fences must be of a sufficient height to prevent the dog(s) jumping over. As a guide, Waipa recommends a minimum height of 1.5 metres above ground level (inside the property) could be sufficient for standard breeds. The guidance also goes on to recommend that fencing should be constructed with permanent materials and in such a manner that will prevent the dog(s) from digging under or passing through any part of the fence.</p> <p>To address these issues, I recommend that solid fences can be built up to 1.2 metres in height in residential zones as of right. I also recommend that the maximum height for visually permeable fences be increased to 1.8m (that is at least 45% visual permeability of the fence). These adjustments would result in all fences above 1.2m being required to be visually permeable as per the suggested guidelines. I recommend that the current proposed standard for solid fencing on arterial roads be retained at 2m.</p> |
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| Q12 | If you need more space, or have any other general comments, please leave them here |
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