

Plan Change 78

Special Character Areas make a positive contribution to the city and should be qualifying matters.

These areas have already experienced intensification.

There is scope for more, without destroying our natural and built environment.

The democratic process should be respected.





















THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS

The Auckland Unitary Plan (AUP) was the result of a robust consultation and hearing process. It enabled the supply of approximately 900,000 dwellings.

More recently, local body elections, and submissions on this plan change, have shown public support for Special Character Areas as a qualifying matter, and for the retention of Special Character Areas as identified in the AUP prior to notification of PC78.

In contrast to the AUP's rigorous democratic consultation, submission and appeal process, the Resource Management (Enabling Housing Supply) Amendment Bill was pushed through Parliament with insufficient time for proper consultation with Auckland Council, or Aucklanders. It is faulty legislation of dubious legality and must be resisted.

Uncontrolled intensification will create an ugly and dysfunctional city. Respecting the democratic process will enable balanced growth.