

## **Summary of Proposal - Prevention of nuisance from fires and smoke Bylaw**

Council proposes to make a Hutt City Council *Prevention of nuisance from fires and smoke Bylaw 2018* ("the 2018 Bylaw") to replace the current 2008 Fire Prevention Bylaw.

The Local Government Act 2002 requires Council to review the current Fire Prevention Bylaw 2008 by 1 July 2018.

The current Hutt City Council Fire Prevention Bylaw 2008 can be viewed by visiting the Council website:

[www.huttcity.govt.nz](http://www.huttcity.govt.nz)

### **The proposed 2018 Prevention of nuisance from fires and smoke Bylaw**

The proposed Bylaw is a consequence of the enactment of the Fire and Emergency New Zealand Act 2017 and the Fire and Emergency (Fire Permits) Regulations 2017. It established Fire and Emergency New Zealand (FENZ) as the organisation that will bring together urban and rural fire services. This also requires Council to amend its current bylaw to reflect the new legal framework.

To obtain a fire permit applicants now need to apply online to the Fire and Emergency (FENZ) website. The FENZ website is: [www.checkitsalright.nz](http://www.checkitsalright.nz)

The proposed 2018 Bylaw is intended to meet Hutt City Council's new role and responsibility under the Act and Regulations as noted above. This new role is focussed on the ability to regulate for the control of nuisance or health and safety risk from smoke from fires.

### **Conclusion**

Council therefore proposes to make the proposed Bylaw to regulate for the control of nuisance or health and safety risk from smoke from fires.

Council is seeking submissions on this proposal. The full statement of proposal to create the 2018 Bylaw as noted above is attached to this summary of information, along with a submission form. It is also available at the Hutt City Council Administration Building, 30 Laings Road, Lower Hutt, Libraries and on the Council Website [www.huttcity.govt.nz](http://www.huttcity.govt.nz).

**Submissions open on Tuesday 31 July 2018 and close at 4.00pm on Friday 31 August 2018.**