

Rural Lifestyle, Rural Residential Zone and Large Lot Residential Zone

The existing situation

The Rural Residential and Rural Lifestyle zones provide residential living opportunities on the edge of urban areas and within specific areas within the Rural General zone.

In both zones a minimum lot size is necessary to maintain their character and quality and, where applicable, a buffer edge between urban areas, or the open space, rural and natural landscape values of the surrounding Rural Zone.

EXISTING RURAL RESIDENTIAL

EXISTING RURAL LIFESTYLE

Provide residential living opportunities on the edge of urban areas and within specific areas of the Rural General zone.

A MINIMUM LOT SIZE IS NECESSARY

In both zones the minimum lot size has been retained. The objectives and policies have been changed to emphasise that residential activity is preferred over commercial activities.

What are we trying to achieve?

RURAL LIFESTYLE ZONE

New Rural Lifestyle zones are proposed in the Wakatipu Basin and to the east of Glenorchy Township, where it has been identified that the landscape has capacity to absorb the effects of development.

The rules have been changed to allow the opportunity to apply for a resource consent for a building platform. The existing rules only allow this through a subdivision. The expectation is that the sites will meet the minimum site size and density requirements.

You will be allowed to construct and alter buildings within an approved building platform, and to alter existing buildings.

RURAL RESIDENTIAL ZONE

You will be allowed to construct and alter buildings providing they comply with a range of standards to control glare, size and height of buildings. Refer to the Fact Sheet on Residential Buildings in Rural Areas for more details.

LARGE LOT RESIDENTIAL ZONE - WANAKA

The Large Lot Residential Zone includes areas developed under the operative District Plan Rural Residential Zone, now located within the proposed Wanaka urban growth boundary.

This new zone has been created to better manage residential development within the proposed Wanaka urban growth boundary, while maintaining the large section sizes, character and quality of the existing neighbourhoods.

The zone will generally retain the existing density rules of one residence every 4000m². Identified areas have a residential density of one residence every 2000m² to provide for a more efficient development that utilises the Council's water and wastewater services while maintaining opportunities for a variety of housing options, landscaping and open space.

Want to get into more detail?

Visit www.qldc.govt.nz/proposed-district-plan to read the full provisions or a range of other resources.