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Subject: Invitation: Nelson-Tasman Regional Spatial Plan – Community Stakeholder Briefing

Kia ora,

Tasman District Council and Nelson City Council are working together to develop a Nelson-Tasman Regional Spatial Plan – a long-term framework that will help guide how our region grows and changes over the next 30 years.

We are inviting community stakeholders from across Nelson-Tasman to an early briefing on Regional Spatial Planning and what it could mean for our communities.

This is a **pre-consultation briefing**, providing an opportunity to understand the new planning approach, the role of a Regional Spatial Plan and how the joint Nelson-Tasman process will work.

Tuesday 8 September 2026

Meeting on Zoom see attached calendar invite

12.30 - 1300

At the briefing you will:

- learn about the new Regional Spatial Planning framework and why it is being introduced;
- hear about the emerging Nelson-Tasman approach to planning for growth, infrastructure, housing, the environment and resilience;
- understand the important role community stakeholders can play in bringing local knowledge, experience, and perspectives into the process;
- why it is important to be involved early and why it is important to your own strategic planning and
- hear about opportunities to contribute to the development of the Regional Spatial Plan ahead of formal consultation planned for next year.

The development of a 30-year plan is an opportunity to think beyond individual projects and immediate pressures and consider what kind of region we want Nelson-Tasman to become, and how we can plan for that future together.

Your knowledge of your community, your networks and your experience of the issues facing the region will be valuable as this work develops.

Looking forward to you joining us, and this link to the [Joint Regional Spatial Plan](#) opens the project website which includes a short stakeholder survey.