



Comments on project under the Fast Track Approvals Act 2024

Wellington International Airport Southern Seawall Renewal FTAA-2510-1118

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Introduction

1. Wellington International Airport Limited (Applicant) has lodged an application for the Wellington International Airport Southern Seawall Renewal (project) under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the FTA Act).
2. HNZPT was consulted prior to the Applicant lodging its substantive application.
3. There is no listed heritage places located within the project area.
4. The Applicant has applied for an archaeological authority as part of the substantive application.
5. In accordance with section 53(2)(k) of the FTA Act, Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga (HNZPT) has been invited to comment on the substantive application as the administering agency for the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014.

Comments on Application

Archaeological Authority

6. HNZPT has provided comment in relation to the archaeological authority in its s51 Report dated 24 February 2026.
7. In summary, HNZPT has recommended that the archaeological authority be granted subject to recommended conditions; and that Emily Howitt is approved as the person to undertake the archaeological work under this authority.

Draft Conditions

8. HNZPT has reviewed the draft conditions proposed by the Applicant.
9. Comment on the archaeological authority conditions are included in the s51 Report.



10. The draft conditions have not been updated by the applicant following the provision of the s51 report. On that basis, our comment on the archaeological authority conditions remains the same as set out in the s51 report.

Conclusion

11. HNZPT considers that the Application is able to be approved subject to amendments to the conditions as set out in the s51 Report.