

**Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga (HNZPT) s46 consultation feedback on Waihi North received 24/04/2025**

Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga (HNZPT) has reviewed the documentation provided against the information requirements set out in Schedule 8, clause 2 of the FTAA 2024 relating to an archaeological authority.

The information required by clause 2(1)(c) of Schedule 8 has not been provided. Specifically, the application does not include proof of consent from the owners of the relevant land that they consent to the proposed activity. Please note that this proof of consent is not required to be provided prior to an archaeological authority decision being made, however it is required to be provided prior to the starting of the stated works.

HNZPT confirms that the information submitted to address the requirements of clause 2(1)(h)(i) is sufficient. The assessment of the archaeological, Māori, and other relevant values of the site is appropriate to the scale and significance of the proposed activity and meets our information requirements.

In addition, HNZPT confirms that the information provided to satisfy the requirements of clause 2(1)(h)(ii) is sufficient. The applicant has included proposed protocols to be followed in the event that Māori sites are encountered. There are no archaeological sites of interest to Māori within the immediate proximity to the works area, and the likelihood of such sites being encountered within the works area is described as low.

All remaining subclauses of Schedule 8, clause 2, not specifically referenced above have been reviewed and are considered to have been met to a satisfactory standard.