

MEMORANDUM



TO: Tom Mclean – *Building Intelligence Group*
Hannah Pettengell – *Barker & Associates*

FROM: Christy Reynolds – *Greenscene Limited*

DATE: 29 January 2026

ADDRESS: 14 Edmonton Road, Henderson

SUBJECT: Arboricultural Memorandum in response to Council to support a Notice of Requirement application at 14 Edmonton Road, Henderson

This memorandum has been prepared in response to Auckland Council's Panel Response regarding the Application made by Ministry of Justice (on behalf of the Requiring Authority - Minister of Justice) under the Fast Track Approval Acts 2024 in accordance with the requirements of Section 42.

The NoR proposes the removal of two Notable kauri (ID1842) trees from the site and identifies opportunities for proposed replacement planting based on an indicative bulk and location/site layout plan. The final detailed site layout will be subject to a future Outline Plan of Works process. The proposed NoR Conditions, specifically Condition 7: 'Building Envelope' requires appropriate landscaping to be in general accordance with the bulk and location plans. Further, Condition 6 requires the final design to demonstrate how the Justice Facility has addressed the urban design guidelines framework (UDGF). This framework has a specific guideline relating to landscaping which requires:

Hard and soft landscaping should embed the Justice Facility into the public realm, create a welcoming and calming arrival setting and positively contribute to the street environment on Alderman Drive and Edmonton Road.

A number of principles are set out in the UDGF to guide future landscape design outcomes.

Specific species, locations and any site landscaping will be provided at the Outline Plan of Works stage associated with this project. It is recommended that landscape detail is provided at this later stage once development design has progressed further and more detailed construction and infrastructure design requirements are known. The proposed Landscape Plan provided in Figure 1 below and referred to in Condition 7 shows indicative locations for two new specimen trees.

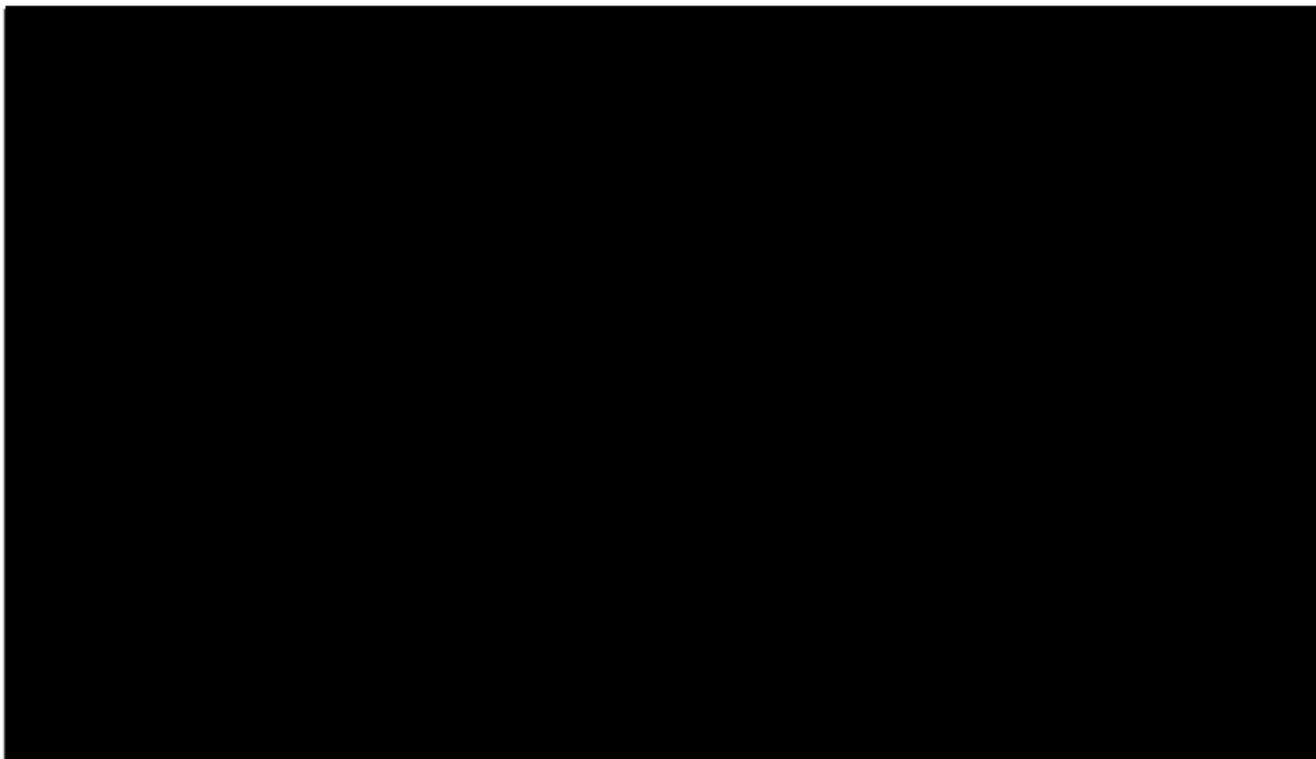


Figure 1: Indicative landscape specimen tree planting plan

Council's arborist has recommended the following form an NoR condition:

*Four specimen trees planted in appropriate permeable areas adjacent to the road boundaries to include two Kauri (*Agathis australis*) and two Tulip trees (*Liriodendron tulipifera*). These trees shall be size pb95 and a minimum height of 1.8m at the time of planting and shall be retained and replaced as necessary, should they fail to establish.*

Given the site constraints outlined in the original Arboricultural Assessment, there is no viable alternative available to retain the existing Kauri trees. Landscaping adjacent to the road frontages will provide for improved visual amenity when viewed from the public realm, compared to the existing location of the Kauri trees which would otherwise be screened from view. In my opinion, the indicative specimen tree planting identified in the Landscape Plan along with UDGF landscape outcome requirements (required by Condition 6 and 7 to be implemented at Outline Plan of Works stage) is appropriate to mitigate the loss of the two early -mature specimen trees. The conditions as proposed will appropriately ensure that suitable mitigation/tree planting can be provided for at the Outline Plan of Works stage once more detailed construction and infrastructure design requirements are known.

Please call me on (09) 6233514 if further comment is required.

Kind regards,

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