

Memo

TO Phil Heffernan, Winstone Aggregates

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DATE 14 August 2026

SUBJECT Hunua Quarry Development – Cultural Response to Comments

APPLICATION FTAA-2603-1185

1 Introduction

- 1.1 My full name is Jade Te Awhina Wikaira.
- 1.2 I prepared the Cultural Values and Consultation Summary Report for the Hunua Quarry Development on behalf of Winstone Aggregates, dated 30 March 2026, Revision 3 (Final) (the Cultural Values and Consultation Summary Report). That report was provided in support of the substantive application for the Hunua Quarry Development.
- 1.3 My qualifications and experience are set out in the Cultural Values and Consultation Summary Report and are not repeated in this memorandum.
- 1.4 In preparing this memorandum, I confirm that I continue to comply with the Environment Court's Code of Conduct for Expert Witnesses contained in the Environment Court Practice Note 2023. The matters addressed in this memorandum are within my area of expertise, except where I expressly state that I rely on the advice of another expert.
- 1.5 I have reviewed and provided input into the applicant's (Winstone Aggregates) response to comments table in relation to the following EPA comment codes: 3.010, 8.349 – 8.356, 8.369, 8.384 – 8.388, 8.391, 8.409, 14.005 and 14.007.
- 1.6 This memorandum responds to those comments as they relate to iwi engagement, cultural values and matters within my area of expertise. Where a comment also raises matters within another technical discipline, I defer to the relevant expert in relation to those matters.

2 Te Ākitai Waiohua Waka Taua Incorporated - Comment 3.010

Summary of issue raised

- 2.1 Te Ākitai Waiohua reiterates its interest in acquiring taonga, including rākau over 100 years old, for cultural purposes. There should also be opportunities for Te Ākitai Waiohua to fulfil its role as Kaitiaki through activities such as planting, and salvage and relocation of native species (noted on page 5).

Response

- 2.2 I acknowledge the matters raised by Te Ākitai. Conditions 14–19 provide for ongoing involvement through the Kaitiaki Forum, including input into Management and Monitoring Plans and wider cultural and environmental matters.
- 2.3 It is proposed to include a new condition requiring the preparation of a Cultural Management Plan, which will address matters such as:
 - 2.4 protocols and contact arrangements for ongoing engagement and communication;
 - 2.5 cultural monitoring procedures associated with vegetation clearance, topsoil removal, initial ground disturbance and any other activities identified through preparation of the CMP as warranting cultural monitoring;
 - 2.6 procedures to be followed in relation to accidental discoveries;
 - 2.7 opportunities for the Participating Iwi to comment on relevant draft Management Plans prior to those plans being submitted for certification; and
 - 2.8 arrangements for providing relevant ecological, freshwater, rehabilitation and offset monitoring information to the Participating Iwi.

Recommendation

- 2.9 I recommend that the proposed additional Cultural Management Plan condition is included alongside the existing Kaitiaki Forum conditions to address the matters raised by Te Ākitai Waiohū.
- 3 **Auckland Council - Comments 8.349-8.356, 8.369, 8.384-8.388, 8.391, 8.409**

Summary of issue raised

- 3.1 Comments 8.349–8.356: Auckland Council considers that, while the information provided by mana whenua to date is comprehensive, consultation was incomplete at the time of its assessment because the Ngāti Tamaoho Cultural Values Assessment and Te Ākitai Waiohū response to the additional Pukekōiwi landscape assessment remained outstanding. Council also identifies the omission of a Cultural Management Plan condition from the proposed condition set.
- 3.2 Comment 8.369: Auckland Council considers that incomplete consultation means the potential scale of adverse cultural effects has not been confirmed and there may be unresolved cultural effects requiring consideration as part of the proportionality assessment.
- 3.3 Comments 8.384–8.388: Council considers that incomplete consultation creates uncertainty regarding the scale of potential cultural effects and whether the proposed mitigation and conditions are adequate.
- 3.4 Comment 8.391: Comments note further consultation with mana whenua is required to enable the provision of all outstanding CVAs, CIAs, kaitiaki reports and other iwi

responses. This information will inform the assessment of potential cultural effects and proposed mitigation.

- 3.5 Comment 8.409: Council recommends that Cultural Management Plan conditions be added to the proposed condition set and that the applicant provide proposed wording.

Response

- 3.6 In response to Auckland Council's comments, Winstone Aggregates remains open to receiving and considering the outstanding information from Ngāti Tamaoho and Te Ākitai Waiohū. The existing Kaitiaki Forum conditions provide for ongoing engagement with mana whenua. The proposed Cultural Management Plan condition provides a further mechanism for ongoing engagement and consideration of cultural information. Both Ngāti Tamaoho and Te Ākitai Waiohū are identified as Participating Iwi.

Recommendation

- 3.7 I recommend that the proposed additional Cultural Management Plan condition is included alongside the existing Kaitiaki Forum conditions to address the matters raised by Auckland Council.

4 Te Whakakitenga o Waikato Incorporated - Comments 14.005 and 14.007

Summary of issue raised

- 4.1 Comment 14.005: Conditions should be consistent with, and where applicable give effect to, the relevant objectives, policies and methods of Tai Tumu, Tai Pari, Tai Ao, including in relation to the protection of waterways and ecological systems, management of land and natural resources, and the rehabilitation and restoration of affected areas.
- 4.2 Comment 14.007: In this context, Waikato-Tainui considers it important that its interests, authority and aspirations in relation to the Manukau Harbour and its connected catchments are recognised in the consideration of the Project and reflected in any conditions of consent where appropriate.

Response

- 4.3 I note the comments raised by Te Whakakitenga o Waikato Incorporated regarding Tai Tumu, Tai Pari, Tai Ao and its interests in the Manukau Harbour and connected catchments and understand ongoing engagement is anticipated as the Project progresses.