

[DRAFT] ARCHAEOLOGICAL AUTHORITY

Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014

AUTHORITY NO: [TBC]

FILE REF: FTAA-2503-1037

DETERMINATION DATE: [11 December 2025]

EXPIRY DATE: *5 years from commencement (section 54 HNZPTA)*

AUTHORITY HOLDER: Stevenson Aggregates Limited

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES: Possible subsurface sites, to be determined

LOCATION: [REDACTED]

SECTION 45 APPROVED PERSON: Kim Tatton

LANDOWNER CONSENT: Landowner is applicant

This decision does not ascribe mana whenua status.

DETERMINATION

The Drury Quarry Expansion – Sutton Block Expert Panel grants, under sections 81 and 42(4)(i) of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024, an authority under section 44(a) of the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 in respect of potential archaeological sites within the area specified as:

- Lot 1 Deposited Plan 126627
- Lot 4 and Lot 5 Deposited Plan 509893
- Section 2 SO 467566
- Allotment 37 Parish of Hunua
- Allotment 198 Parish of Hunua
- Allotment 190a Parish of Hunua
- SPO Allotment 190 Parish of Hunua
- Allotment 191 Parish of Hunua
- Lot 1 Deposited Plan 21743
- Lot 2 Deposited Plan 206902
- Allotment 175 Parish of Opaheke
- Allotment 168 Section 2 Parish of Opaheke
- Allotment 211 Section 2 Parish of Opaheke

The authority is granted to Stevenson Aggregates Limited for the proposal to carry out earthworks for the construction and operation of a new quarry pit at 121 MacWhinney Drive, Drury 2577, 1189 Ponga Road, Drury 2113 and Ponga Road, Papakura, and is subject to the following conditions:

CONDITIONS OF AUTHORITY

1. The authority holder must ensure that all contractors working on the project are briefed on site by the section 45 approved person, who may appoint a person to carry out the briefing on their behalf, prior to any works commencing. The briefing must cover the possibility of encountering archaeological evidence, how to identify possible archaeological sites during works, the archaeological work required by the conditions of this authority, and contractors' responsibilities with regard to notification of the discovery of archaeological evidence (including stopping works and parties to notify) to ensure that the authority conditions are complied with.
2. Prior to the start of any on-site archaeological work, the authority holder must ensure that Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga is advised of the date when work will begin. This advice must be provided at least two (2) working days before work starts. The authority holder must also ensure that Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga is advised of the completion of the on-site archaeological work, within five (5) working days of completion.
3. The authority must be exercised in accordance with the archaeological management plan attached to the substantive Fast-track Approvals Act application (Clough & Associates Limited, Tatton, K., March 2025; *Archaeological Management Plan: Drury Quarry Extension, Sutton Project, Drury, Auckland*). Any changes to the referenced archaeological management plan require the prior written agreement of Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga.
4. Any earthworks that may affect any archaeological sites must be monitored by the section 45 approved person who may appoint a person to carry out the monitoring on their behalf.
5. Any archaeological evidence encountered during the exercise of this authority must be investigated, recorded and analysed in accordance with current archaeological practice.
6. In addition to any tikanga agreed to between the authority holder and Ngāti Tamaoho, Ngaati Te Ata Waiohū, Te Ākitai Waiohū, Ngāi Tai Kāi Tahu and/or Ngaati Whananūga (mana whenua) and that were provided with the substantive Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 application, the following shall apply:
 - a) Access for mana whenua must be enabled in order to undertake tikanga consistent with any requirements of site safety.
 - b) Mana whenua must be informed 48 hours five working days before the start and finish of the archaeological work. Mana whenua must also be informed two working days after the finish of the archaeological work.
 - c) If any kōiwi (human remains) are encountered, all work must cease within 5 metres of the discovery. The Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Archaeologist, New Zealand Police and mana whenua must be advised immediately in accordance with *Guidelines for Kōiwi Tangata/Human Remains (AGS8 2010)* and no further work in the area may take place until future actions have been agreed by all parties.
 - d) Mana whenua must be informed if any possible taonga or Māori artefacts are identified to enable appropriate tikanga to be undertaken, so long as all statutory requirements under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 and the Protected Objects Act 1975 are met.
 - e) Mana whenua must be provided with a copy of any reports completed as a result of the archaeological work associated with this authority and be given an opportunity to discuss it with the section 45 approved person if required.

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7. That within 20 working days of the completion of the on-site archaeological work associated with this authority, the authority holder shall ensure that:
- An interim report following the *Archaeological Report Guideline (AGS12 2023)* is submitted to the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Senior Archaeologist (Mid-Northern) for inclusion in the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Archaeological Reports Digital Library; and
 - Site record forms are updated or submitted to the NZAA Site Recording Scheme.
8. That within 12 months of the completion of the on-site archaeological work, the authority holder shall ensure that a final report, completed following the *Archaeological Report Guideline (AGS12 2023)*, is submitted to the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Archaeologist (Mid-Northern) for inclusion in the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Archaeological Reports Digital Library.
- One ~~hard copy and one~~ digital copy of the final report ~~are~~ is to be sent to the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Archaeologist; and
 - Digital copies of the final report must also be sent to:
 - the NZAA Central Filekeeper;
 - Auckland Museum;
 - Auckland Council Cultural Heritage Inventory; and
 - Mana whenua.

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Signed for and on behalf of the Drury Quarry Expansion –
Sutton Block Expert Panel

NAME: Catherine Somerville-Frost

TITLE: Chair, Drury Quarry Expansion – Sutton Block [FTAA-2503-1037] Expert Panel

DATE: [11 December 2025]

ADVICE NOTES

Contact details for Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Archaeologist

Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Senior Archaeologist (Mid-Northern)

Current Archaeological Practice

Current archaeological practice may include, but is not limited to, the production of maps/ plans/ measured drawings of site location and extent; excavation, section and artefact drawings; sampling, identification and analysis of faunal and floral remains and modified soils; radiocarbon dating of samples; the management of taonga tūturu and archaeological material; the completion of a final report and the updating of existing (or creation of new) site record forms to submit to the NZAA Site Recording Scheme.

Reporting Conditions

Reports required by authority conditions are to be prepared following the *Archaeological Report Guideline* (reference [AGS12 2023](#)).

Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga supports transparent reporting processes. It therefore is expected that all relevant directly affected parties have reviewed the report in question, are happy with its contents, and understand that it will be made publicly available via the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Archaeological Reports Digital Library.

Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga has the right to make available any report produced under an authority where the distribution of the report is for the purpose of providing archaeological information about the place in question for research or educational purposes.

Review of Conditions

The holder of an authority may apply to Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga for the change or cancellation of any condition of the authority. Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga may also initiate a review of all or any conditions of an authority.

Non-compliance with conditions

Note that failure to comply with any of the conditions of this authority is a criminal offence and is liable to a penalty of up to \$120,000 (Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014, section 88).

Costs

The authority holder shall meet all costs incurred during the exercise of this authority. This includes all on-site work, post fieldwork analysis, radiocarbon dates, specialist analysis and preparation of interim and final reports.

Assessment and Interim Report Templates

Assessment and interim report templates are available on the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga website: archaeology.nz

Guideline Series

Guidelines referred to in this document are available on the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga website: archaeology.nz

The Protected Objects Act 1975

The Ministry for Culture and Heritage ("the Ministry") administers the Protected Objects Act 1975 which regulates the sale, trade and ownership of taonga tūturu.

If a taonga tūturu is found during the course of an archaeological authority, the Ministry or the nearest public museum must be notified of the find within 28 days of the completion of the field work.

Breaches of this requirement are an offence and may result in a fine of up to \$10,000 for each taonga tūturu for an individual, and of up to \$20,000 for a body corporate.

For further information please visit the Ministry's website at <http://www.mch.govt.nz/nz-identity-heritage/protected-objects>.

Landowner Requirements

If you are the owner of the land to which this authority relates, you are required to advise any successor in title that this authority applies in relation to the land. This will ensure that any new owner is made aware of their responsibility in regard to the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014.

SECTION 45 APPROVED PERSON

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APPROVAL

The Drury Quarry Expansion – Sutton Block Expert Panel grants, under sections 81 and 42(9)(b) of, and clause 7 of Schedule 8 to, the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024, approval in terms of section 45 of the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 for **Kim Tatton** to:

- carry out any archaeological work required as a condition of authority FTAA-2503-1037; and to
- compile and submit a report on the work done.

Kim Tatton will hold responsibility for the current archaeological practice in respect of the archaeological authority for which this approval is given.

Signed for and on behalf of the Drury Quarry Expansion – Sutton Block Expert Panel

NAME: Catherine Somerville-Frost

DETAILS: Chair, Drury Quarry Expansion – Sutton Block [FTAA-2503-1037] Expert Panel

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