

Your Comment¹ on the Kōpū Marine Precinct

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2. *We will email you draft conditions of consent for your comment

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3. Please provide your comments on this application

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The proposed project is located on the Waihou river, in Thames, a location of considerable Māori and European historic heritage values as identified in the Cultural Values Assessments and the Archaeological and Historical Assessment of Effects that form part of the application material. The proposal has two options: Option 1-a reduced option, and Option 2 a more extensive option. The proposal also refers to a separate related resource consent application for earthworks on nearby King Street.

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Historic heritage-Built

There are no scheduled or listed built heritage places within the subject site.

The nearest formally recognised built heritage item to the subject site is the old Kopu Bridge, with the following recognition:

- Thames Coromandel District Council Heritage schedule: Name - Old Kopu Bridge, Item number 175, Planning map 31L
- New Zealand Heritage List/Rarangi Korero: Name - Kopu Bridge, Category 1, list number 4681

HNZPT advises that they do not anticipate any potential or actual effects from the proposed works that would diminish the heritage values of the Kopu Bridge, including visual effects, or vibration effects from the proposed piling works.

Historic Heritage-Cultural

The application contains a history of consultation with Tangata Whenua, with proposed conditions to both further develop the working relationship/s and meet concerns raised in the three cultural values assessments. The proposed conditions include further consultation with iwi on the various management plans including a landscape plan. While HNZPT is generally supported of this consultative approach, HNZPT considers the following aspects are required to be addressed through the imposition of additional conditions:

- HNZPT supports the call for interpretation from Mana Whenua. Given the extensive bi-cultural history of the site HNZPT considers that there would be considerable benefit in the provision of interpretation that covers both the European history and the Māori history and suggests an additional condition to reflect the need for bi-cultural interpretation. HNZPT would welcome the opportunity to review the proposed interpretation and seek a condition relating to their inclusion in the development /review of the interpretation material.

An additional suggested condition:

The consent holder shall extend an invitation to Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga and local heritage groups to be involved in the creation and review of historic heritage story boards within the site.

Historic Heritage-Archaeology

There are no recorded archaeological sites in the subject site. There are recorded archaeological sites in the immediate vicinity of the subject site (T12/1467-Wharf/Jetty & T12/1468-Flax Mill). A HNZPT archaeological authority (2022/156) is in place for the project, dated 30 September 2021. The material submitted for the authority closely resembles proposed option 1. The authority also covers the earthworks on King Street that is a separate resource consent application, a copy of which is contained in the Appendices of the applications. With regard the management of archaeology HNZPT makes the following comments:

- In the event that Option 1 is approved HNZPT seeks that the archaeological management plan (that is part of the Archaeological Authority-2022/156) is amended (underlined words)

to reflect the reduced proposal and the related archaeological management plan condition is amended. The amendment would need to be with the approval of HNZPT.

Proposed amendment in relation to the selection of Option 1

Appendix HH-D6.

Prior to the commencement of works, the consent holder shall provide a copy of an amended Archaeological Site Management Plan, reflecting the selection of Option 1, certified by Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga, to the Thames Coromandel District Council.

In a related matter, that relates to both options, HNZPT seeks that any changes to existing management plans or the development of a new management plan that involves earthworks for example the landscape plan, are undertaken in consultation with an archaeologist to minimise effects on archaeology.

Proposed new condition D6-A relating to amendments to any management plans/or new plans for Option 1-Appendix HH or Option two -Appendix KK that may impact archaeology.

Prior to the commencement of works, the consent holder shall provide evidence of consultation with Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga, showing that that any changes as a result of amendments to management plans or new plans such as landscape plans have been reviewed by an archaeologist and are not inconsistent with the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Archaeological Authority.

- HNZPT seeks an amendment (underlined words) to the existing construction conditions, in particular the condition related to the pre-start meeting is amended to raise further opportunities for those on site to be updated with regard the requirements of the HNZPT archaeological authority and the archaeological site management plan, as follows:
 - Proposed amendment:
 - Option 1-Appendix HH-condition D12. *The purpose of the pre-start meeting is to ensure that all the relevant parties are aware of and understand the requirements for compliance with the conditions of this consent and the approved construction management plans in accordance with condition D8 above and other management plans such as the Archaeological Management Plan at condition D8 that is a requirement of the Archaeological Authority (2022/156) issued by Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014. A copy of the final conditions of consent and certified management plans shall be made available by the consent holder at the start of the meeting.*
 - Option 2- Appendix KK-condition D12. *The purpose of the pre-start meeting is to ensure that all the relevant parties are aware of and understand the requirements for compliance with the conditions of this consent and the approved construction management plans in accordance with condition D8 above and other management plans such as the Archaeological Management Plan at condition D8 that is a requirement of the Archaeological Authority (2022/156) issued by Heritage New*

Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014. A copy of the final conditions of consent and certified management plans shall be made available by the consent holder at the start of the meeting.

- As an archaeological authority 2022/156 is in place, HNZPT considers that the current Accidental Discovery Protocol (ADP) is not necessary and the addition of proposed further conditions relating to ensuring contractor awareness of the authority assists to reinforce requirements in this regard including protocols in relation to ensuring appropriate Tikanga in the event that Māori sites. The wording in reference to Taonga (D23B) is ambiguous, along with reference to removal of Taonga and Council determining when works can recommence as both matters in relation to archaeological sites, including Taonga are provided for under the HNZPTA 2014. In terms of the protocols and conditions referenced in D23, with regard archaeological concerns works can only recommence on the advice of HNZPT.

Thank you for your comments