# 1423. Mängere Puhinui Precinct

### **I423.1. Precinct description**

The Māngere Puhinui Precinct is comprised of land to the north and east of the Auckland International Airport, outside of the rural urban boundary. It includes areas of Māngere and Puhinui which were once main areas of Māori settlement (c1000AD – 1860s) as documented in the Report of the Waitangi Tribunal on the Manukau Claim 1985, and which are now largely in rural or public open space use today.

Māngere and Puhinui were strategic areas for settlement by early Māori due to their proximity to the coast (Manukau Harbour and its tributaries) for collecting kaimoana and access, fertile soils for food growing, and maunga for defense purposes. Evidence of Māori settlement has been and continues to be identified through the large number of archaeological sites found within the Māngere and Puhinui areas, and documenting of history passed through the generations of local iwi.

The area contains important geological features, including Pukaki Lagoon, Māngere Lagoon Explosion Crater, Puketutu Island, and the remnants of Maungataketake. Most of these have been modified through quarrying, but the remnants still remain. The volcanic soils of Māngere and Puhinui are well known as a prolific food growing area, particularly compared to other areas around the region, due to the highly fertile soils, moderate climate and gentle topography.

Māngere Mountain, Pukeiti, and Otuataua also form part of the Māngere volcanic field in the locality, however these are protected via the Open Space - Conservation Zone controls. Waitomokoia which is located within the Villa Maria Estate and within the urban boundary sits outside of the precinct.

The purpose of the precinct is to recognise the relationship and values that tangata whenua have with the area, maintain an open rural character and areas for food growing, and to protect waahi tapu from being destroyed during site development. The purpose of the precinct is also to protect the significant geological features that remain in the area from damage or further development.

The zoning of land within this precinct is Rural - Rural Production Zone, Open Space – Informal Recreation Zone, Open Space – Conservation Zone, Coastal - Coastal Transition Zone and Business – Light Industry Zone.

# **I423.2.** Objectives

- (1) Landscape features, areas of high landscape quality, and areas with high levels of sensitivity to landscape modification are protected.
- (2) The open rural character of the Māngere Puhinui area is maintained, and soil resources are managed in a way that retains their productive potential.
- (3) Natural and cultural heritage resources are protected.
- (4) Recognition or provision is made for the relationship of tangata whenua and their culture and traditions with their ancestral lands, water, sites, waahi tapu and other taonga.

(5) The natural coastal environment of the Manukau Harbour coastline and its tributaries is preserved.

The overlay, Auckland-wide and zone policies apply in this precinct in addition to those specified above.

#### 1423.3. Policies

- (1) Require buildings to be sited and designed to avoid any adverse effects on the rural character and visual amenity values of the Māngere Puhinui area.
- (2) Require development to avoid adverse effects on the landscape amenity values of the area, particularly in areas of high quality landscapes.
- (3) Avoid adverse effects on natural heritage resources, including geological features and high class soils.
- (4) Require the use or development of land to avoid adverse effects on the relationship of tangata whenua with their lands.
- (5) Require development to avoid adverse effects on any sites of historic, cultural or spiritual significance to tangata whenua.

The overlay, Auckland-wide and zone policies apply in this precinct in addition to those specified above.

### 1423.4. Activity table

The provisions in any relevant overlays, zone and the Auckland-wide apply in this precinct unless otherwise specified below.

Table I423.4.1 Activity table specifies the activity status of land use and development activities in the Māngere Puhinui Precinct pursuant to section 9(3) of the Resource Management Act 1991.

# Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry) Regulations 2017

If any activity listed in rules (including standards) I423.4.1 to I423.6 is regulated by the Resource Management (National Environmental Standard for Plantation Forestry) Regulations 2017 ("NESPF") then the NESPF applies and prevails.

However, the NESPF allows the plan to include more restrictive rules in relation to one or more of the following:

- Significant Ecological Areas Overlay;
- Water Supply Management Areas Overlay;
- Outstanding Natural Character Overlay;
- High Natural Character Overlay;
- Outstanding Natural Landscapes Overlay;
- Outstanding Natural Features Overlay; or
- activities generating sediment that impact the coastal environment.

Where there is a rule in the plan that relates to any of the matters listed above then the plan rule will apply. In the event that there is any conflict between the rules in the plan and the NESPF in relation to any of the above, the most restrictive rule will prevail.

For the purposes of NESPF regulation 13, this precinct is deemed to restrict plantation forestry activities within a visual amenity landscape.

If the NESPF does not regulate an activity then the plan rules apply.

Table I423.4.1 Activity table

Activity		Activity status
Rural		
(A1)	Intensive farming	D
(A2)	Forestry within 500m of MHWS	D
(A3)	Animal breeding or boarding without dogs	D
(A4)	Animal breeding or boarding including dogs	NC
(A5)	Rural industries	D
(A6)	Buildings > 300m² gross floor area	D

# **I423.5.** Notification

- (1) Any application for resource consent for an activity listed in Table I423.4.1 Activity table above will be subject to the normal tests for notification under the relevant sections of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- (2) When deciding who is an affected person in relation to any activity for the purposes of section 95E of the Resource Management Act 1991 the Council will give specific consideration to those persons listed in <a href="Rule C1.13(4)">Rule C1.13(4)</a>.

### 1423.6. Standards

The overlay, zone and Auckland-wide standards apply in this precinct.

#### 1423.7. Assessment - controlled activities

There are no controlled activities in this section.

### 1423.8. Assessment – restricted discretionary activities

There are no restricted discretionary activities in this section.

# 1423.9. Special information requirements

There are no special information requirements in this section.

# I423.10. Precinct plan

There are no precinct plans in this section.