

The Proposed Auckland Unitary Plan (notified 30 September 2013)

5 Mana Whenua

5.1 Sites and Places of Significance to Mana Whenua

Overlay description

The Sites and Places of Significance to Mana Whenua overlay identifies sites and places that have been scheduled and protected for their significance to Mana Whenua. Where there is sensitive information regarding the significance of the sites and places special protocols agreed with Mana Whenua will outline the management of this information.

Mana Whenua are aware of many other sites and places that may be equally or more significant, and acknowledge there may be shared interests over scheduled locations. It is intended to identify further sites and places nominated by Mana Whenua through future plan changes including those identified through other legislation.

Objective

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1. The tangible and intangible values of scheduled sites and places of significance to Mana Whenua are protected and enhanced.

Policies

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1. Avoid adverse effects on the values of scheduled sites and places of significance to Mana Whenua.
2. Require subdivision, use and development to:
 - a. enhance the values of the scheduled site or place of significance and the relationship of Mana Whenua with their tāonga, commensurate with the scale and nature of the proposal
 - b. incorporate mātauranga, tikanga and Mana Whenua values, including spiritual values
 - c. incorporate the outcomes articulated by Mana Whenua through consultation and within iwi planning documents
 - d. demonstrate consideration of practicable alternative methods, locations or designs that would avoid or reduce the impact on the values of scheduled sites and places of significance to Mana Whenua
 - e. include mitigation that is compatible with Mana Whenua values and is commensurate with the extent of the effects
 - f. encourage preservation of the scheduled site or place and its values
 - g. demonstrate consideration of practical mechanisms to maintain or enhance the ability to access and use the scheduled site or feature for karakia, monitoring, customary purposes and ahikā roa by Mana Whenua
 - h. avoid:
 - i. excavation or earthworks near a scheduled site or place of significance to Mana Whenua
 - ii. the use of scheduled sites and places of significance to Mana Whenua for infrastructure.
3. Demonstrate a proposed construction methodology that includes:
 - a. the location of equipment and construction materials including soil and vegetation
 - b. the duration and timing of works.

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4. Reflect the relationship of the scheduled site or place of significance with context of the Māori cultural landscape through the incorporation of:
 - a. the design of proposed structures
 - b. landscaping and vegetation including removal and replanting
 - c. landform modification
 - d. maintenance of view shafts to and between locations containing Mana Whenua cultural heritage
5. Whether the proposed activity is appropriate considering the nature of the scheduled site or place of significance and the associated values.
6. Manage subdivision so that scheduled sites and places of significance to Mana Whenua are not split into multiple land parcels.
7. Provide incentives to encourage the protection and enhancement of scheduled sites and places of significance to Mana Whenua.

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5.2 Sites and Places of Value to Mana Whenua

Overlay description

The Sites and Places of Value to Mana Whenua overlay identifies sites and places where the presence of Mana Whenua cultural heritage has been confirmed, but their significance has not yet been assessed in detail. These may include sites and places identified within the New Zealand Historic Places Trust register. These sites and places are protected as they are of Māori origin and may contain Mana Whenua values which must be recognised and provided for. Where there is sensitive information regarding the values of the sites and places, special protocols agreed with Mana Whenua will outline the management of this information.

Objective

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1. The tangible and intangible values of sites and places of value to Mana Whenua are protected and enhanced.

Policies

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1. Require a cultural impact assessment where the location of sites and places of value to Mana Whenua have been confirmed and where existing information indicates a likelihood of their disturbance or effects on their values.
2. Avoid adverse effects on the values of sites and places of value to Mana Whenua.
3. Require subdivision and earthworks to:
 - a. avoid adverse effects on the values and associations of Mana Whenua with their sites and places of value
 - b. incorporate mātauranga, tikanga and Mana Whenua values
 - c. incorporate the outcomes articulated by Mana Whenua through consultation, within cultural impact assessments and within iwi planning documents.