

Auckland Council District Plan Hauraki Gulf Islands Section Operative 2018

PROPOSED PLAN MODIFICATION 15 (PPM15)

Sites and Places of Significance to Mana Whenua

Tranche 2a

Public notification: 23 May 2024

Close of submissions: 21 June 2024

This is a council initiated plan change

Explanatory note – not part of proposed plan change

This plan modification seeks to recognise and protect the tangible and intangible Māori cultural values of five Māori Heritage Sites on Aotea / Great Barrier Island to provide for the relationship of mana whenua with their cultural heritage.

Plan change provisions

Note:

Amendments proposed by this plan change to the Auckland Unitary Plan are <u>underlined</u> for new text and strikethrough where existing text is proposed to be deleted. The use of indicates that there is more text, but it is not being changed. These are used when the whole provisions if too long to be included.



Plan Modification 12

Proposed amendments to Part 7.13 Maori heritage

Notes:

- 1. New text is shown as underlined and deleted text as strikethrough.
- 2. Some existing text is shown to place the changes in context.

7.13 Maori heritage

The relationship of Maori and their culture and traditions to their ancestral lands, sites, waterways, waahi tapu, wai tapu, and other taonga is of national importance under the RMA. The Plan must therefore recognise and provide for that relationship. This can be done by identifying sites and areas of significance to Maori, and establishing appropriate protection.

At the time of notification of the Plan, Maori heritage sites were not included because essential information collected by the council about archaeological sites had not yet been considered by iwi. This information will assist iwi to determine which Maori heritage sites or areas to request for inclusion in the Plan, whether these are archaeological sites or not.

In consultation with tangata whenua, a variation or change to the Plan may be introduced to identify, protect, and recognise such sites in accordance with good RMA practice and the principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi. These sites may include waahi tapu, tauranga waka, urupa, kauhanga riri, mahinga maataitai, wai tapu and other taonga. (Refer to clause 7.17 for a glossary of Maori terms).

The custody of privileged information about Maori heritage sites will be retained and managed by identified heritage staff within the council. It will be held in a form that is not at risk of disclosure (unless this has been specifically authorised by iwi on a case-by-case basis). At the same time, landowners need to be provided with sufficient information about acceptable activities on the sites so as to maximise protection of the sites without unnecessarily constraining the activities of landowners.

The Plan will accurately identify all sites that iwi request be protected under the Plan. The council will work with iwi to develop criteria and protocols applicable to the individual sites or areas.

7.13.1 Issue

How to ensure that Maori heritage sites are not accessed or modified in such a way that detracts from their cultural value.

7.13.2 Objective

To recognise and protect sites of spiritual, cultural or tikanga value to Maori.

Policies

- 1. By identifying and protecting, in consultation and partnership with tangata whenua, significant Maori spiritual, cultural or tikanga sites.
- 2. By avoiding a reduction in the historical, cultural and spiritual values associated with Maori heritage sites.
- 3. By ensuring that tangata whenua (and other relevant iwi authorities) will be consulted over the use, development or protection of natural and physical resources where these affect Maori heritage sites.

7.13.3 Criteria for scheduling Maori heritage sites

To determine whether a site is worthy of protection in the Plan, potential sites have been evaluated against the criteria listed in appendix 4 – Criteria for scheduling Maori heritage sites.

7.13.4 Rules for Maori heritage sites

7.13.4.1 Permitted activities

The following are permitted activities for Any activity or work located within an area scheduled as a Maori heritage site which does not involve either of:

- ground disturbance earthworks (excluding within Area A of Land Unit Open Space 3 (Rangihoua Park) earthworks for parks maintenance and the use of park facilities limited to areas and ground depths which have previously been disturbed or modified and which comply with the earthworks development controls in Part 10e).
- 2. gardening for domestic purposes.
- 3. <u>earthworks for the maintenance and repair of fences and effluent disposal systems</u> limited to areas and ground depths which have previously been disturbed or modified.
- earthworks for the maintenance and repair of existing farming, walking and cycling tracks limited to areas and ground depths which have previously been disturbed or modified.
- 5. <u>earthworks for the operation, maintenance and repair of driveways and parking areas</u> limited to areas and ground depths which have previously been disturbed or modified.
- 6. toilets (including portaloss) or changing facilities.

7.13.4.2 Discretionary activities

Any activity or work within an area scheduled as a Maori heritage site which involves either or both of the following: Except where provided for as a permitted activity in rule 7.13.4.1, the following are discretionary activities within the scheduled site surrounds of a Maori heritage site:

- 1. ground disturbance earthworks.
- 2. toilets (including portaloos) or changing facilities.

7.13.5 Assessment criteria for discretionary activities

The council's assessment of applications for a discretionary activity will include consideration of the following matters:

- Whether the proposal is consistent with the objectives and policies for Maori heritage sites.
- Whether the proposal has appropriate regard to the protocol for Maori heritage sites.
- 3. Whether an archaeological assessment has been undertaken to assess the archaeological values of the site.
- 4. Whether the modification is necessary, and any alternative methods available to the applicant for carrying out the work and activities.
- 5. Whether there has been consultation with the relevant tangata whenua.
- 6. Whether tangata whenua will have access to the site for karakia and monitoring.

7.14.1



Proposed amendments to Appendix 2f Schedule of Maori heritage sites -outer islands

Notes:

- 1. New text and diagram is shown as <u>underlined</u> and deleted text as <u>strikethrough</u>.
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Appendix 2f Schedule of Maori heritage sites - outer islands

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There are currently no Maori heritage sites scheduled in the outer islands. It is noted that there are numerous sites scheduled in the Plan that have both archaeological and Maori values. Refer to clause 7.13 for further information.

Plan modification annotations



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indicates where the content is part of plan modification x, which is subject to appeal.

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1.0 Introduction

This appendix contains key information about scheduled Maori heritage sites. In particular it identifies:

- The location of scheduled sites, including the site surrounds.
- A brief description of the sites.
- The reasons for scheduling the sites.

<u>Scheduled Maori heritage sites are shown on the planning maps. Part 7 - Heritage contains the objectives, policies and rules applying to such sites.</u>

Section 3.0 of this appendix contains diagrams of the scheduled sites.

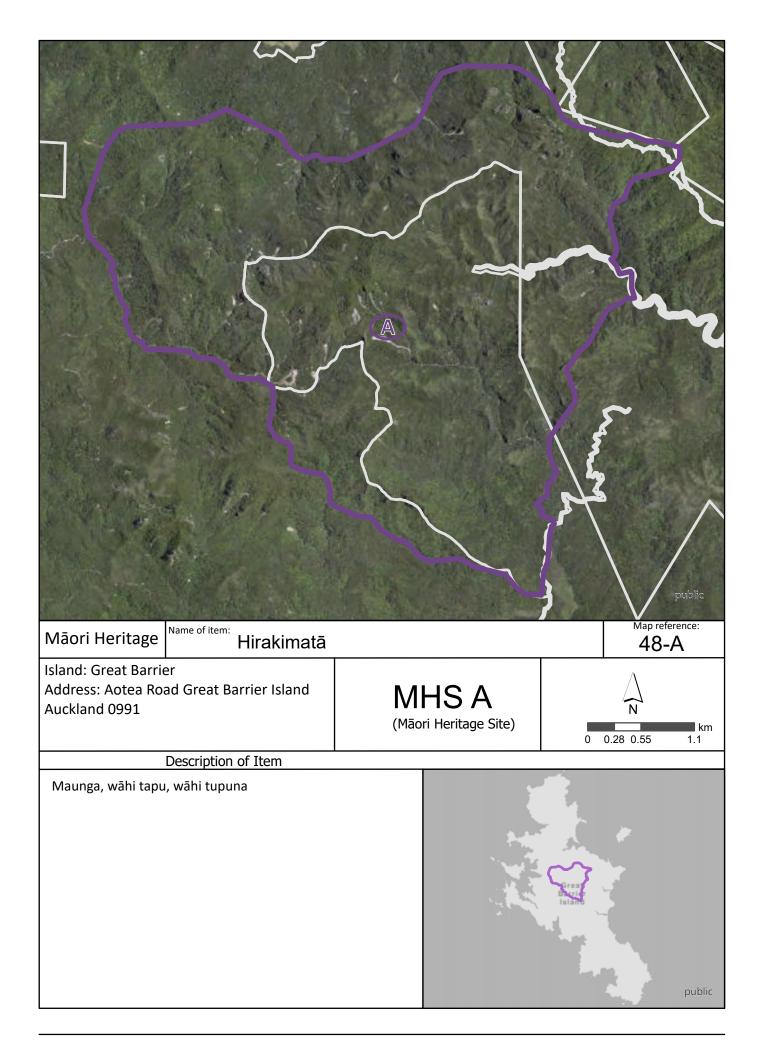
2.0 Key to reasons for scheduling Maori heritage sites

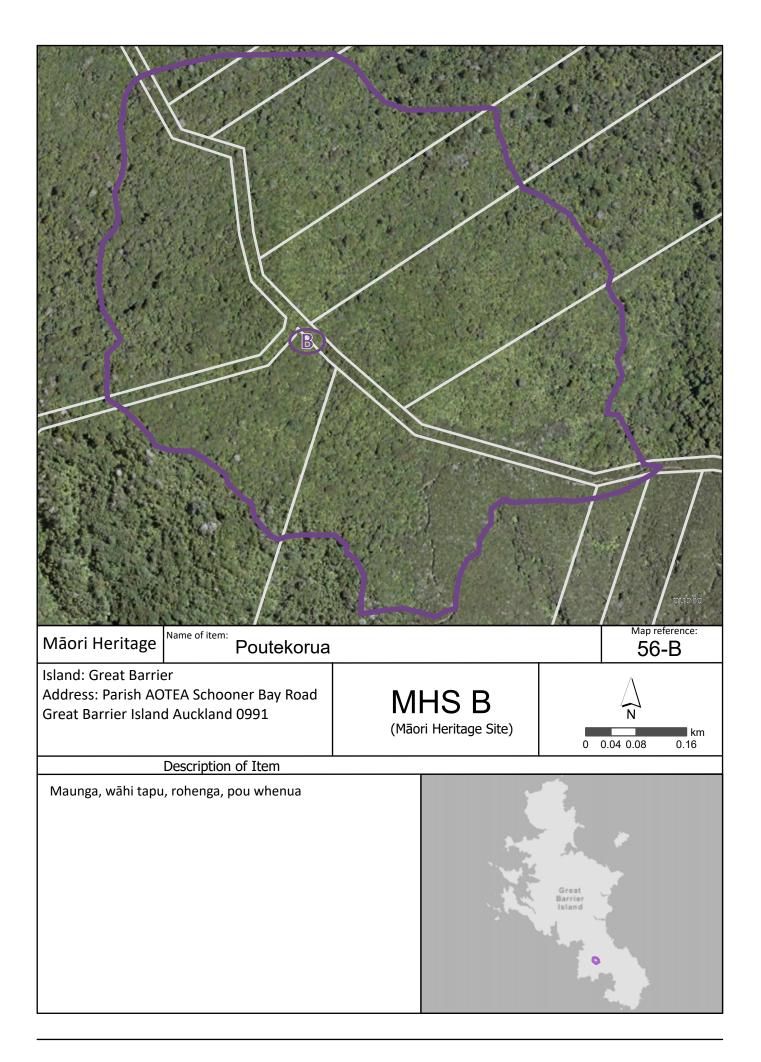
The reasons relate to the criteria identified in appendix 4 - Criteria for scheduling Maori heritage sites. The factors used to identify and evaluate sites for scheduling as Maori heritage sites are located in Chapter B6 of the Regional Policy Statement in the Auckland Unitary Plan (Operative in Part) 2016. These factors are listed below:

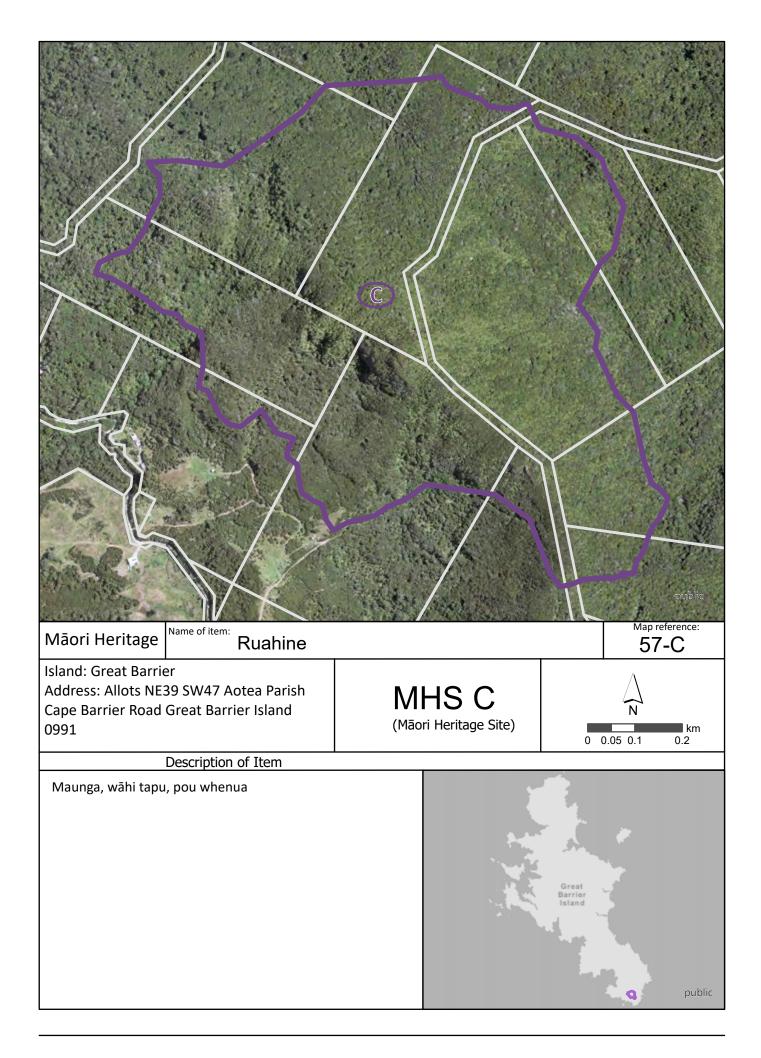
<u>Factor</u>	<u>Description</u>	
Mauri	ko te mauri me te mana o te wāhi, te taonga rānei, e ngākaunuitia ana e te Mana Whenua. The mauri (life force and life-supporting capacity) and mana (integrity) of the place or resource holds special significance to Mana Whenua.	
Wāhi tapu	ko tērā wāhi, taonga rānei he wāhi tapu, arā, he tino whakahirahira ki ngā tikanga, ki ngā puri mahara, o ngā wairua a te Mana Whenua. The place or resource is a wāhi tapu of special, cultural, historic, metaphysical and or spiritual importance to Mana Whenua.	
Kōrero Tūturu/ historical	ko tērā wāhi e ngākaunuitia ana e te Mana Whenua ki roto i ōna kōrero tūturu. The place has special historical and cultural significance to Mana Whenua.	
Rawa Tūturu/customary resources	he wāhi tērā e kawea ai ngā rawa tūturu a te Mana Whenua. The place provides important customary resources for Mana Whenua.	
Hiahiatanga Tūturu/ customary needs	he wāhi tērā e eke ai ngā hiahia hinengaro tūturu a te Mana Whenua. The place or resource is a repository for Mana Whenua cultural and spiritual values.	
Whakaaronui o te Wa/contemporary esteem	he wāhi rongonui tērā ki ngā Mana Whenua, arā, he whakaahuru, he whakawaihanga, me te tuku mātauranga. The place has special amenity, architectural or educational significance to Mana Whenua.	

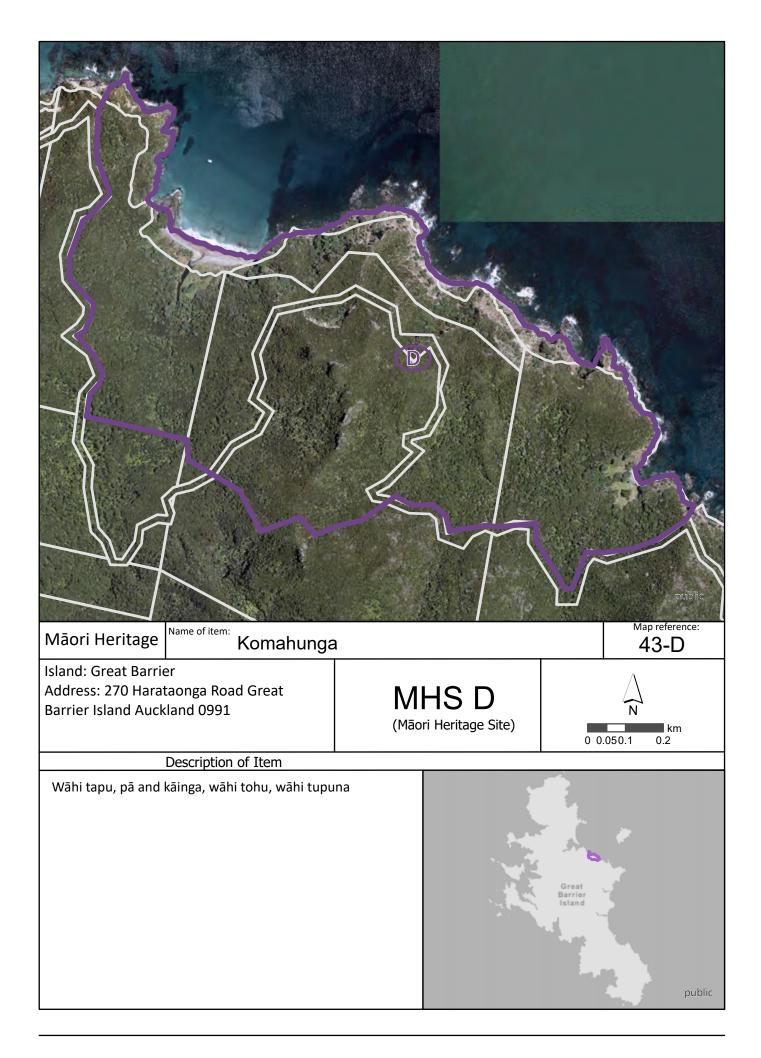
3.0 Diagrams of scheduled Maori heritage sites

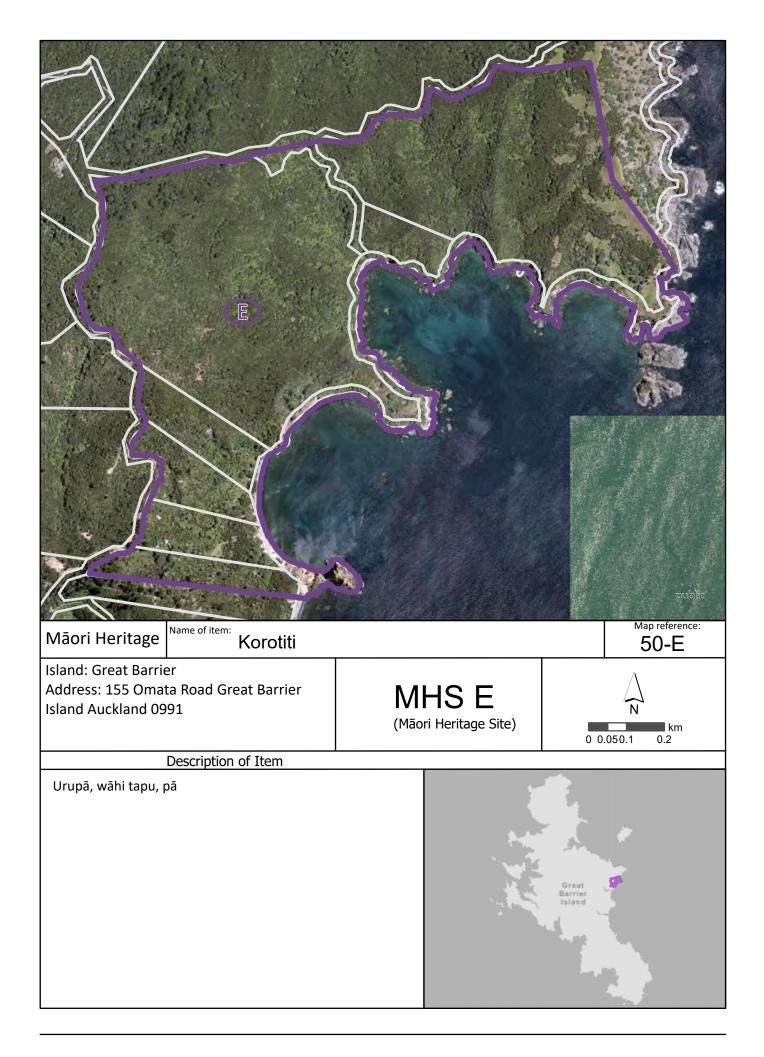














Proposed amendments to the Hauraki Gulf Islands (planning maps)

Notes:

- 1. Add the Māori Heritage Site schedule to the planning maps for the following sites:
- 2. Add the Māori Heritage Site iconography to the Legend: Outer Islands

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Legend: Outer islands

Map 1	Map 2
Settlement areas	50-4 Map reference number
[Significant ridgeline area	54-9 Designated land
Land units	Scheduled items
Landform 1 (coastal cliffs)	54-9 Archaeological site
Landform 2 (dune systems and sand flats)	■ ₄₈₋₇ Building, object, property or place of special value
Landform 3 (alluvial flats)	55-2 Site of ecological significance
Landform 4 (wetland systems)	55-5 Sensitive area
Landform 5 (productive land)	Māori Heritage Site
Landform 6 (regenerating slopes)	
Landform 7 (forest and bush areas)	Other additional limitations
Commercial 6 (quarry)	Contaminated or potentially contaminated land
Commercial 7 (wharf)	54-13 Airfield protection fan
Open space 1 (ecology and landscape)	42-12 Airfield noise contour levels
Open space 2 (recreation and community facilities)	Development Plan / Concept Plan
Conservation	Airfield
	Roading All public roads are subject to a notice of requirement
	Unformed road

Other The "updated xx/xx/xxxx" date located bottom right of each sheet is the date that each sheet was updated by Council and not necessarily when the particular change was approved e.g the date on which a consent order was signed.			
Property boundary			
Coast			

