



District Plan Review

Presentation to the Whakatane Historical Society

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Heritage

The term *Heritage* has been used broadly to include:

- Maori cultural heritage, including the relationship of Maori and their culture and traditions with their land, sites and taonga
- **built heritage**
- archaeological heritage

RMA section 6(e), 6(f), 7(a), 7(d)

Whakatane's Built Heritage



- The Strand – Buildings between 1920 and 30s
- The Strand East – Government administration, banking and retail
- Wairaka Area – residential area for Government activities
- Post WWII area developed on swamp land drained in the 1960s – Commerce St, Boon street, Richardson Street, Strand West
- Other – outside of the CBD, old school houses, churches, old homesteads, unique structures




Heritage Buildings in the CBD



The Whakatane Built Heritage Study identified buildings of historical value:

- Commercial Hotel – both 1939 building and 1917 building
- Whakatane Hotel
- Cinema five Complex
- Loan and Mercantile Building (Sea Breeze)
- Shelter by Pohaturoa Rock
- George St Garage (Smiths Glass)
- Old Plunket Building
- Former National bank Building
- 84 The Strand – the Whakatane Chartered Club
- Bridgers Building
- 108 - 110 The Strand (Lily's)
- The Grand Theatre

The District Plan Review

- The District Plan review began in 2010
- A Draft Document was released for consultation in July 2011
- Council is currently making decisions about what to include in the **Proposed Plan**


What is/will be in the District Plan?

- Does not require a consent for demolition of any heritage building unless it is listed in the plan
- Includes a Schedule which lists some sites, with rules controlling activities that affect these sites (eg demolition)
- Only a small number of sites are included – using RPS, Built Heritage Study and prioritisation
- Includes Strand Character Area and Guidelines (guide for design of new buildings to retain character)





Buildings to be Scheduled

ID	Description	Location	NZ Historic Places Register No.
BH1	Grant Homestead	Te Tiko Road Galatia	2706
BH2	Avaroa Homestead	Hallett Road Okariri	778
BH3	Church (Presbyterian)	25 Tubou Street, Taneatua	2705
BH4	Old School Block	Waimana Road Waimana	780
BH5	Camellia Court Homestead	11 Domain Road	2704
BH6	Gouldstone Road House	39 Gouldstone Road	779
BH7	Commercial Hotel (1917 building)	45 The Strand	NA
BH8	Whakatane Hotel (incl accessory buildings)	77-79 The Strand	NA
BH9	Pohikūss and Penehōss (1834 sheila memorial to the Haurimu Aparau carved seat)		NA
BH10	Blidgers Building	88-92 The Strand	NA
BH11	Whakatane Airport Building	216 Aerodrome Road	NA





The Next Steps

- Proposed Plan released in mid 2012
- Public submissions/further submissions
- Hearings
- Council decisions
- Appeals



Part of the Whakatane Plan Review



Making a submission?

Things to think about when making a submissions

- What outcomes do you want for heritage in Whakatane?
- How does the plan achieve that - where is it not working?
- What are your priorities?
- What do you want changed? (specifics)