

Management of Heritage Items and Areas

Tasman Resource Management Plan Summary Guide No. 8

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1. Introduction

There are four specific heritage issues covered by the Plan:

1. **Heritage Buildings and Structures**
2. **Protected Trees**
3. **Cultural Heritage Sites**
4. **Significant Natural Areas**

The Council has recognised that certain items or areas are significant to the history, culture, ecology and amenity of the Tasman District and those qualities should be protected. Chapter 16 of the Plan includes three schedules that list the various heritage buildings, structures, protected trees and cultural heritage sites throughout the District. Chapter 18 includes a schedule for significant natural areas. Each heritage item or area is identified on the Planning Maps.

If you own property listed in the schedules, there are rules applicable to the management of the heritage item or area and these are summarised below. Other conditions may also apply (please see the Plan for full details).



Any proposed activity affecting a heritage item may also be subject to additional standards and rules. Plan changes occur from time to time and this guide will be updated to reflect the relevant changes as soon as is practicable. In addition to standards and consents required under the Resource Management Act, the proposed activity may also need building consent, licences and permits under other legislation such as the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga, Building and Health Acts.

2. Heritage Buildings and Structures

Schedule 16.13A of the Plan contains heritage buildings and structures that are recognised and listed by the Council, and also those that are recognised and listed by Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga.

There are two classes of heritage buildings and structures. Category I buildings and structures have higher values than those in Category II.

Heritage buildings and structures, included in the Plan's schedule, can be maintained, repaired and restored as a **permitted** activity, provided that:

- a) the work is carried out to the same design using similar materials that retain the character of the building without detracting from the appearance of the building; and

- b) there is no demolition, removal or destruction of any part of the building.



Repairs

Minor repair to a listed heritage building or structure that does not comply with the conditions for a permitted activity is a **restricted discretionary** activity.

Additions

Making additions to a building or structure is also a **restricted discretionary** activity.

Any application for additions to listed heritage buildings requires a scale plan and building elevations prepared by an appropriately competent person.

Destruction or Removal

Destruction or removal of any part of a **Category II** building is a **restricted discretionary** activity; resource consent is required.

Destruction or removal of a **Category I** building or structure requires resource consent for a **non-complying** activity.

*NOTE: An archaeological authority is required under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 for any **disturbance of a pre-1900 site** whether or not it is listed as a heritage building site in the Tasman Resource Management Plan.*

3. Protected Trees

Protected trees are listed in the Plan's schedule (Schedule 16.13B) according to their significance (categories A, B & C – Category A being the most significant).

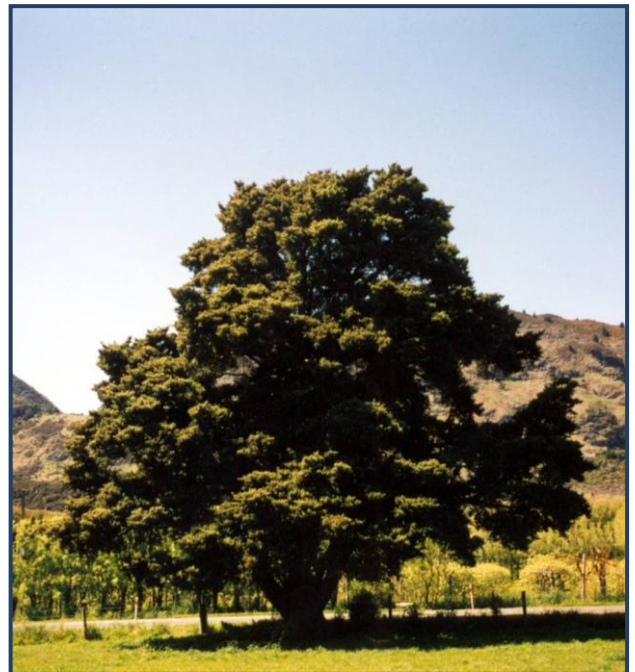
Trimming or Maintenance

Minor trimming or maintenance of a protected tree listed in Schedule 16.13A is a **permitted** activity, provided it is done carefully in accordance with accepted arboricultural standards (American National Standard for Tree Care Operations 1998). The Council can assist with advice on appropriate trimming.

Significant pruning or trimming of a protected tree requires a **controlled** activity resource consent.

Removal or Destruction

The removal or destruction of a listed protected tree is a **restricted discretionary** activity requiring resource consent, provided the tree is not a Category A tree in the Schedule. Trees in this category are of special significance and the destruction of them is a **non-complying** activity.



4. Cultural Heritage Sites

There are over 750 cultural heritage sites identified in Schedule 16.13C of the Plan. There are also a number of precincts that have a high incidence of known cultural heritage sites and have been assessed as having a high probability of accidental discovery due to historical Maori occupation. The Cultural Heritage Sites and precincts are based on the New Zealand Heritage List.

Any proposed activity that may disturb a cultural heritage site or precinct will require an authority from Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga before the works can be carried out as a permitted activity. Where the cultural heritage site is Maori in origin, local iwi should be contacted. A resource consent is required where the listed site has been identified as a 'wāhi tapu' or a 'highly significant site'.

Schedule 16.13C and rules that apply to cultural heritage are contained in section 16.13 of the Tasman Resource Management Plan. All sites known to Council are also shown on the Special Maps map series, Cultural Heritage Sites (Part II – Land).

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5. Significant Natural Areas

Significant Natural Areas are identified in Schedule 18.1A of the Plan. The Areas are included in the Schedule based on their significance in terms of the following criteria:

- rarity
- representativeness
- distinctiveness
- size
- intactness
- connectivity, and
- migratory species

Areas of indigenous forest not listed as a Significant Natural Area are subject to relevant Rural and Rural Residential zone rules.

Modification

Modification of a Significant Natural Area is a **permitted** activity if it complies with the terms of a covenant or agreement made under various legislation, or if the modification is limited to the removal of dead standing timber for the owner's use.

Modification of a Significant Natural Area is a **discretionary** activity if it does not comply with the above conditions.



6. Financial Incentives

There are a number of financial incentives available to assist with the preservation of natural and built heritage items and areas in the District. Refer to sections 10.1.20.5 and 10.2.20.5 of the Plan, or contact one of Council's planning staff for more information.

This guide is a summary of Plan provisions only. Do not rely on this guide to make decisions about your heritage item. Other conditions may apply. Please see the Plan for full details or seek advice from Council staff at one of the offices listed below.

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