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**Omahu Industrial Expansion Area** 



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#### Archaeological Sites

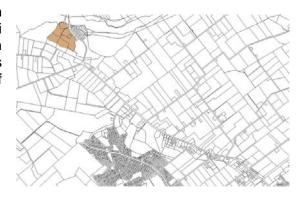
The archaeological sites which have been identified by the New Zealand Archaeological Society

(as of 3 October 2007) are shown on the Council's GIS system. A printout from this system is shown here =>. No sites are shown within or near the proposed zone. The Archaeological New Zealand also has an interactive website (Archsite). A printout from this is attached. This likewise shows no sites in this area. The attached email (Appendix 1) correspondence further confirms the absence any identified sites in this area. No physical investigations have however been undertaken in this area which is known to be a river floodplain that has been modified by way of farming and horticultural use.



#### Waihi Tapu

The Council has recently completed an in depth review of the district plan provisions relating to Waihi Tapu and issued its decision on the associated Plan Change. The sites identified / protected by way of this are shown on this map. None are in the proximity of the proposed Expansion area.



#### Other Historic Features

All sites registered by the New Zealand Historic Places Trust are listed within the District Plan. A copy of the District Plan B Map for the area is shown here. No registered / listed sites are located within the proposed zone or the surrounding area.

The attached email correspondence (Appendix 2) with the New Zealand Historic Places Trust both confirms the above and advises the absence of any other features / areas of concern / interest to the trust in the immediate vicinity of the Proposed Zone.



**Appendix 1** 

**From:** Sacha Gilbert [mailto:sgilbert@historic.org.nz] **Sent:** Wednesday, 17 March 2010 10:25 a.m.

To: Tracey Kendall

Subject: RE: Proposed Industrial Zone - Omahu Road

Hi Tracey,

Thank you for consulting with the New Zealand Historic Places Trust on this matter.

Our area archeologist Kathryn Hurran has taken a quick look and can confirm that Cathryn Barrs advice is sound. There are no recorded sites in the area.

The only site registered with the NZHPT in the area is Stonycroft at 901 Omahu Road. As it was constructed pre 1900 it is also an archeological site.

As such, I can confirm that you are correct in that there are no recorded archeological sites and Stonycroft is the only NZHPT registered site in proximity to the area to be rezoned.

However, given the preliminary nature of your inquiry and the information you have provided I cant rule out effects on historic heritage however have nothing further to add for consideration at this early stage in proceedings.

I hope this is helpful, please contact me if you need anything further.

Yours sincerely

#### Sacha Gilbert

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From: Tracey Kendall [mailto:traceyk@hdc.govt.nz]

Sent: Thursday, 11 March 2010 3:55 p.m.

To: Sacha Gilbert

Subject: Proposed Industrial Zone - Omahu Road

Sasha,

I am assessing a proposed new industrial zone on Omahu Road. A map of the area is shown below. I have reviewed Council files and can find no evidence of any NZHPT registered Historic Places within or in close proximity to the proposed zone nor are there any District Plan historic items in this area (there was an outstanding tree but this was removed due to storm damage). There are no NZAA identified Archaeological sites within the area – refer to the correspondence below.



Can you please advise me whether there are any items or sites that are of interest / potential concern for NZHPT in vicinity of the proposed zone?

Thank you for your assistance.

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From: Cathryn Barr [mailto:Cathryn.Barr@opus.co.nz]

**Sent:** Thursday, 6 March 2008 11:19 a.m.

To: Anna Summerfield

Subject: RE: Archaeological sites in the irongate area

Hi Anna - no sites identifed on our maps in that area - it is river floodplain, and as you say, modified, but there has also not been anyone look in the area.

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From: Anna Summerfield [mailto:annaes@hdc.govt.nz]

**Sent:** Thursday, 6 March 2008 11:11 a.m.

To: Cathryn Barr

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Thanks again for your help

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From: Cathryn Barr [mailto:Cathryn.Barr@opus.co.nz]

Sent: Thursday, 6 March 2008 9:58 a.m.

To: Anna Summerfield

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From: Anna Summerfield [mailto:annaes@hdc.govt.nz]

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To: cathryn.barr@opus.co.nz

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Thanks and regards

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# Appendix 2

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**Sent:** Thursday, 11 March 2010 9:17 a.m.

To: 'Cathryn.Barr@opus.co.nz'

Subject: Archaeological sites in the Omahu Road area

Cathryn,

I am progressing the proposed Omahu Road Industrial expansion area shown below.



I wish to confirm the whether the advice given by yourself in 2008 remains accurate.

I have in this respect looked on the Archsite map and could see no sites in this area.

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