

## **Summary of Statement of Evidence Denise Joyce Anderson on Behalf of Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga: Stream 15 District Wide, 24 September 2018**

### **Chapter 31 Signs**

1. HNZPT's submission sought amendments to Rule 31.5.22 so that consent is required for any new signs in the setting or extent of heritage features in Section 26.8 Inventory of Protected features in Chapter 26 of the PDP. This would ensure that new signs respect the setting or extent of heritage items.
2. I generally support the section 42A report in relation to Rule 31.5.22 which accepts HNZPT's submission except for paragraph 24.3 which states signage within the sett or extent of place of a scheduled archaeological site would be subject to a separate process outside the District Plan.
3. The Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act governs the direct modification and destruction of archaeological sites. It does not extend to the erection of signs or other structures within the setting or extent of place or archaeological site. In my opinion, this means that the relief sought in the HNZPT submission to amend Rule 31.5.22 is necessary to manage the effects of new signs.

### **Chapter 25 Earthworks**

4. HNZPT's submission on Chapter 25 Earthworks focusses on ensuring management of earthworks that have the potential to adversely affect historic heritage. I generally support the relevant recommendations of the s42A report. I am of the opinion that the effects of earthworks within the setting or extent of place of Section 26.8 Inventory of Listed heritage features will not be achieved through the s42A recommended version of Rule 25.4.5; it could be interpreted as only applying to the direct modification, damage or destruction of the heritage feature and not the wider setting or extent of place. Earthworks within the setting or extent of place of listed heritage features could give rise to effects such as physical and visual disturbance to features associated with the primary heritage item.
5. In my opinion, the relief sought in HNZPT's submission point 2446.10 seeking a new Rule making earthworks within the setting or extent of place of a heritage feature included in Section 26.8 Inventory of Listed Heritage Features as a discretionary activity is necessary to manage the effects of this activity. It would also be useful if this new rule clarified the relationship between 26.8 and 26.8.1.

### **Further Comments**

6. HNZPT has appeals relating to Chapter 26 in the Stage 1 hearings. The relief sought includes consistency of references to the inventory at Section 26.8. I would like to draw the panel's attention to this in order to ensure consistency is also achieved with the terminology used in Chapters 25, 26 and 31.