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## SUBMISSION OF HERITAGE NEW ZEALAND POUHERE TAONGA ON PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN CHANGE 81 – REZONING 320 THE TERRANCE AND DE-LISTING GORDON WILSON FLATS

1. This is a submission on the following proposed the following proposed plan

Proposed Plan Change 81 – Rezoning 320 The Terrace and De-Listing Gordon Wilson Flats

The specific provisions of the proposal that Heritage New Zealand's submission relates to are:

The historic heritage effects of taking Gordon Wilson Flats off the District Plan heritage list.

Heritage New Zealand's submission is:

Neutral

The reasons for Heritage New Zealand's position are as follows:

Heritage New Zealand offers the following comments to inform consideration of the proposal to remove Gordon Wilson Flats from the District Plan heritage list:

- Gordon Wilson Flats are not on the New Zealand Heritage List/Rārangi Kōrero.
- However, the building does have historic heritage values, as concluded in the Archifact report and as reflected in its inclusion on the District Plan list in the first place.
- While the Archifact report has refined our understanding of the building's heritage values, Heritage New Zealand does not consider that these values have changed significantly.
- A key question to be considered through the plan change process is whether it is still appropriate to seek protection of the building's heritage values through the provisions of the District Plan, taking into account all relevant matters of the Resource Management Act 1991. We note that the plan change process enables the local community to provide input on these matters, including the significance of the building's heritage values.
- In arriving at our position not to oppose the plan change application, Heritage New Zealand has judged the absence of a national heritage listing to be the determining factor in our engagement with this matter.
- Heritage New Zealand seeks the following decision from the local authority: For the decision on the proposed plan change to be informed by the above advice.
- Heritage New Zealand may wish to be heard in support of our submission.

## Yours sincerely

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