

# Te Tai Poutini Plan

## Heritage Schedule for Westland District

In respect to recommended deletions from Schedule 1A



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## Context

In 2024 Heritage Consultancy Services was engaged to prepare assessment reports for the heritage items and areas included in Schedule 1A of the Te Tai Poutini Plan. In the course of that work the following items have been assessed but found not to meet the threshold for significant heritage value meriting protection under RMA s6f. Consequently no heritage assessments reports have been prepared for the following items and it is recommended that they be deleted from SCHED 1A.

### HH105 – Ross Historic Area



The Ross Historic Area is listed by HNZPT (list # 7055). As mapped by HNZPT the area includes a largely unrelated collection of buildings and structures, many of which have been relocated and/or rebuilt. St Patrick's Catholic Church (HH104) is a significant heritage resource that merits its place in SCHED 1A. Other buildings in the HNZPT historic area include 'Grimmond house' and the fire brigade bell, which are both replica structures, the relocated de Bakker cottage, the former Catholic presbytery, which is highly modified, and the relocated former jail. The only building or structure within the historic area that is authentic to its site and embodies significance heritage value is the Catholic church, which is independently scheduled. The Department of Conservation's Ross Goldfield Historic Reserve, which covers a large part of the HNZPT historic area, offers protection under the Reserves Act. The gazetted Ross Goldfield Historic Reserve and the listing by HNZPT provide an appropriate level of recognition and protection for the area.

Recommendation: delete the Ross Historic Area from SCHED 1A.

### HH107 – former Hende cottage, 18 Main Road, Harihari



Although listed by HNZPT as a Category 2 historic place (list # 5049), this cottage has historic interest, rather than heritage significance, and lacks sufficient authenticity to merit scheduling. The building was relocated to its current site in 1985 and had a substantial new wing added to the back of it in c.1990. Reroofed in stages in 1986 and

2014, the building is associated with the Hende family, whose notable contributions to the district are better represented by the former Hende's cottage on Hendes Ferry Road at Harihari (HH106) and Hende's Gallery at Franz Josef (HH114). Although the former has been relocated, this event occurred in c.1930 and the building remains close to its original site and retains a good level of authenticity and integrity. Listing by HNZPT provides recognition of the history of the modified cottage at 18 Main Road.

Recommendation: Delete item from SCHED1A.

### HH108 – Guy Menzies landing site, Harihari



Although this site is listed by Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga as a Category 1 historic place (List # 7637), it is a paddock with a 2006 marker and interpretative signage denoting the place at which trans-Tasman aviator Guy Menzies landed on 7 January 1931. While the event is described by HNZPT as 'a unique and very significant event in New Zealand's aviation history' and the site is recorded as an archaeological site (No. I34/41), there is no built heritage physical resource to manage at this location.

Recommendation: Delete item from SCHED1A; add to SCHED1B – Schedule of Archaeological Sites.

In addition, the following item was demolished in 2024 and should therefore be removed from SCHED1A:

### HH103 – former Hokitika Racecourse totalisator building



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