

This is a Council-initiated plan change

EXPLANATORY NOTE – this does not form part of the proposed plan change

This proposed plan change seeks to schedule a further 240 heritage vegetation items containing significant trees/groups of trees under the Heritage Appendix of the Auckland Council District Plan (Waitakere Section) (the District Plan) to ensure that it continues to represent the most significant trees and groups of trees in Waitakere. The proposed plan change is the result of several months of fieldwork assessing trees that were nominated for scheduling. The changes include:

- the addition of trees for scheduling from a nomination process facilitated by the former Waitakere City Council from November 2009 to February 2010, and Auckland Council Local Boards in February 2011.

This proposed plan change does not seek to review existing heritage vegetation items scheduled in the Heritage Appendix of the District Plan.

Please note that existing operative District Plan provisions relating to scheduled heritage vegetation items continue to have legal effect. It is not proposed to alter any of the objectives, policies or activity status related to the District Plan's Heritage Appendix, but rather to add to its content to ensure that it continues to meet its objective of protecting the city's significant trees. These trees and groups of trees are an important part of Waitakere's natural heritage.