

Your Comment on the Silverlight Studios Accommodation

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2. *We will email you draft conditions of consent for your comment

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3. Please provide your comments on this application

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Recommendation:

Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga (HNZPT) has carried out a desk top assessment based on the information provided by the applicant. The effects on historic heritage, including archaeology, from earthworks will be managed through Silverlight Studios Limited application FTC000027. HNZPT recommends an amendment to proposed Advice Note 2. HNZPT's comments on the application, as it relates to historic heritage, including archaeology, are as follows.

Historic Heritage Values

There are no historic heritage sites entered on the New Zealand Heritage List, nor recorded archaeological sites, within the area subject to the resource consent application.

Any potential effects on unrecorded archaeological sites from earthworks will be managed through Silverlight Studios Limited application FTC000027 for the construction and operation of the film complex. As stated in the Assessment of Environmental Effects (page 23), “this proposal does not include any additional earthworks” and, therefore, further conditions regarding the implementation of an Accidental Discovery Protocol are not required. However, consideration should be given to the protection of cultural heritage.

Cultural heritage

Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga recognises Māori Heritage and association with wahi tupuna is a Taonga tuku iho as expressed in our document *Tapuwae*. We note that Māori heritage is central to New Zealand’s unique identity. It is New Zealand’s earliest heritage. The ‘footprint’ of iwi and hapū life and culture since the first arrivals in Aotearoa some 800 years ago, it is substantial and touches all parts of our country. Māori heritage places give meaning and prestige to the history, traditions, culture and identity of whānau, hapū and iwi. They include sacred and historic sites, ancestral places, tribal landmarks, cultural landscapes, and built heritage features such as marae and church buildings, structures and monuments. It is imbued with mana and spirituality that endure through generation and lives on through relationships of people and place. (<https://www.heritage.org.nz/resources/tapuwae>)

The project is not within a statutory acknowledgement area nor a wāhi tūpuna mapped area. However, as is stated in correspondence from Aukaha regarding the proposed development, the Mata-au/Clutha River, which is a wāhi tūpuna, is adjacent to the site. The Mata-au is about a kilometre from the proposed site, and at a higher elevation. As such, it was deemed that the development itself would have little likelihood of impacting the river.

HNZPT supports the ongoing participation of Aukaha and kā rūnaka to ensure Māori Heritage is recognised and any adverse effect is mitigated.

Archaeological Sites

Whilst there are no archaeological sites recorded, significant archaeology both Māori and European is likely to be found along the banks of the Clutha River/Mata-Au and therefore the applicant should ensure they comply with the archaeological provisions of the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014.

As previously stated, the effects on historic heritage, including archaeology, from earthworks will be managed through Silverlight Studios Limited application FTC000027 for the construction and operation of the film complex. HNZPT recommended including a condition that either the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Archaeological Discovery Protocol, or an accidental discovery protocol modified to reflect the specific project detail, is operated under for application FTC000027.

The Silverlight Studios accommodation application does not include any additional earthworks, therefore, further conditions regarding the implementation of an Accidental Discovery Protocol are not required.

HNZPT recommends an amendment to Advice Note 2 to remind the consent holder of their obligations regarding the implementation of an accidental discovery protocol in the event that archaeological features are discovered during construction activities.

Specific amendments to Appendix 6 – Proposed Conditions of Consent

Amend advice note:

Advice Notes

2. The construction of buildings and the wider development must be undertaken in accordance with the conditions of FTC000027 including but not limited to all conditions relating to engineering matters, lighting, signage, noise, archaeology and landscaping.

Thank you for your comments