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Brazen tyre slashings and shop raid rock locals

Milford residents woke to find more than 50 cars immobile last week after tyre-slashing "carnage" on and near Stanley Ave.

"Devastated," said resident Jane Hawkins, who had all four tyres on her car flattened, even though it was parked in her driveway. Those affected were "all old people, young

couples - people who probably don't have insurance. [I'm] gutted because I've just paid a whole lot of bills and this is the last thing."

Samir Shakib had tyres on two vehicles hit. In his 10 years in the area, it was the first bout of this type of vandalism.

"I got up just after seven and I saw the

tyres were slashed and it looks like they've done part of our street, and Livingstone, and Corunna."

The large-scale vandalism came the same week as a Takapuna jeweller suffered a daylight raid and the local board called for

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Painting the town red



Peru in view... Dance troupe Sol de mi Tierra from Peru perform a lively traditional dance at the Latin fiesta held at Takapuna Beach reserve last weekend. More pictures, page 11.



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Call for greater police action on local crime

Police are being asked to step up their community presence and station opening hours.

The Takapuna station and the main North Shore station off Constellation Dr need to be staffed for the public to report the crimes in person, beyond their current hours of 8am to 4pm on weekdays only, the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board unanimously agreed at its last meeting.

The board also wants a meeting with the Police Area Commander, Stefan Sagar, to discuss concerns around local crime and the response to it.

Board member George Wood, who is leading the call for greater police visibility, said: "There is no doubt that the community of the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area is very concerned about the crime being committed."

A recent street meeting Wood attended on behalf of the board had underlined residents' concerns.

"Getting up in the morning to find that a crime has occurred in the neighbourhood overnight seems a regular happening."

Wood told the board's monthly meeting that when it was announced the main North Shore police hub would move north from Takapuna, then-Police Minister George Hawkins said the wider area would have two 24-hour-a-day stations. In 2008, the Anzac St station ceased to be open round the clock and now the main station was no longer open to the public at the weekends or in the evenings either, Wood said.

Raided jeweller despairs at stress to business

The Hurstmere Rd jewellery store Fifth Avenue was robbed in the middle of an afternoon by two men wielding tyre braces.

Owner Adrian Turner and his daughter were working at the shop when the men pulled up outside in a vehicle, got out and tried to shatter the front windows for a smash and grab. When this failed they ran in and attacked cabinets, fleeing with a small amount of stock.

Turner said police responded to their call quickly, but the incident at 4.20pm on Wednesday 20 April, which followed another robbery shortly before Christmas, took a heavy toll. "People actually don't understand for a small business we've

worked very hard for what we have. I am not a big company."

After Covid lockdowns and Hurstmere Rd works, conditions were hard enough without being hit by criminals. "We need more police on the Shore," he said.

"It's getting less safe".

Although insured, Turner said cover was getting tougher for jewellers to secure as robberies were more frequent. "It just puts a lot of financial pressure on you."

Police said they had found the stolen vehicle used in the aggravated robbery a short distance away, but the men had left. Enquiries continued. Tips, quoting file number 220420/9631, could be made to them.

The nearest open station was at Henderson, or north at Warkworth.

Member Jan O'Connor said she found it "difficult to believe that such a great big station as Constellation Dr" had followed Takapuna in being closed after normal hours. A police presence across the board area was needed, said member Trish Deans.

Wood noted it was very unusual to see police out and about. Takapuna had suffered from lack of a proactive presence, he said, yet the force had a "Prevention First" national policy. Social media was amplifying community concerns about crime, with residents often posting about incidents, but often also with scant information. "People become

anxious about trying to ascertain facts."

Chair Ruth Jackson, who seconded Wood's motion, said she was in the process of teeing up a meeting with the police chief.

The board asked for a copy of its resolutions to be forwarded to other North Shore boards and to the Waitemata Local Board which covers the CBD, where similar concerns about the lack of an easily accessed police station have also been expressed.

Wood hopes a joint board case might be mounted to urge police to respond to calls to make Shore residents feel safer.

The Takapuna Residents Association is looking at making local crime a focus at its annual meeting to be held next month.

Wanton destruction of tyres leaves residents feeling flat

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greater police presence in the community. A tip jar and a donation box were also snatched from two stores, among other petty crimes.

The multiple attacks on tyres occurred in the early hours of 19 April, following Easter Monday. Police told the Observer they were continuing to make enquiries into the "spate of incidents".

Detective Sergeant Ross Clapp said: "To date, police have received 11 reports of vehicles that have had their tyres damaged. Some of the reports involve multiple vehicles."

On the Tuesday morning, when the Observer went to the scene, Tyre Tech Mobile was scrambling to get vehicles mobile again.

Owner Dave Gibbons said he had counted around 50 cars with

flat tyres when he first drove up. He had attended smaller spates of slashed tyres, but this was "carnage", he said. "I've done five; I've got seven still to do and that's only out of four houses.

"I'll take a walk up the road and see if I can offer services to people who are stuck."

Some residents told the Observer they had not filed a police report.

A pair of neighbours, who asked not to be named, said they had had two cars broken into in the last year or so, but not tyres slashed before.

"It's so random – the car behind me didn't have tyres slashed."

Police inquiries included reviewing CCTV footage. Anyone with information or further security footage is asked to contact police on 105, or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111, and quote file number 220419/3234.

	
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Girl power... Four-year-old Ailani Bahn was an eager league trialist at Sunnynook Park last week for a place in a beginners team for girls

Girl greyhounds lead the way

A new chapter of rugby league is under way at Sunnynook Park, with under-7s drills being held to start a girls-only team.

Glenfield Greyhounds, which is based at the park, held its first training session for the entry level girls' team last week. A good group turned up to learn some skills.

"In the past the girls have played as part of a combination team with the boys," club chair Simon Watson said. Generally, though, only two or three young girls played in a team of boys, but Auckland Rugby League was attempting to get more junior girls' teams registered to play, starting with six-a-side Tag.

"There may be no other girls' teams; there

may be 10 or 15," Watson said. This would be known after registrations closed across the city, for a season to start next month. "If there's no [other] girls' teams these girls will continue to play against the boys."

Giving it a go was four-year-old Ailani Bahn, whose father, Isaac, plays in the premier side.

Mother Jamie said the club was a family tradition. "I've been a part of this club since I was in nappies. This for us is home."

Her dad used to coach and her sons play in teams for under 7s and 12s.

She was happy that her daughter had the chance to get into the game close to home. "It's opened a pathway for girls."

Briefs

More pigeons perish

Two more pigeons have been reported dead in the Milford Shopping Centre car park, four days after others seen dead and unwell upset weekend shoppers. Local Lyn Newlands said she spotted the two dead birds near the senior citizens hall. Meanwhile BirdCare Aotearoa told the Observer an obviously unwell bird taken to it by the SPCA had recovered enough to be moved to its outdoor aviary. The admitting vet had noted it had signs indicating it could have been poisoned, including seizures, said a spokesperson Bianca Atlas. Pest control should be done humanely and poison posed a secondary risk to other birds and pets, she said.

Theft accused appears

A man accused of stealing \$50,000 from a community theatre could face a jury trial in October, although Shoreside Theatre hopes the matter may be resolved out of court. The money left Shoreside coffers in mid-2020 and a man in his 40s was arrested on charges relating to theft by a person in a special relationship and falsifying accounts. Covid lockdowns led to multiple court delays, with the alleged offender finally appearing before the Auckland District Court this month.

Diggers damaged

A contractor working on the Patuone Reserve walkway has had thousands of dollars of damage caused to machinery used there and on other sites this month. In Takapuna the canopy of an excavator was ripped off, and at a job repairing the sea wall at Narrow Neck, another excavator had its windows smashed overnight. Site manager Chris McKeown of contractors Fort said such vandalism was all too common, but after multiple incidents police were taking it seriously.

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Intensification maps made public: have your say

Massive housing intensification for Takapuna, Milford, Sunnynook and Hauraki Corner is set out in consultation documents released by Auckland Council this month.

But coastal sections on Takapuna Beach and north to Milford and Castor Bay are restricted to single two-storey dwellings, although these stand to be impacted by the potential for multi-storey buildings to be built behind them. Some sites next to Lake Pupuke also retain single-house controls.

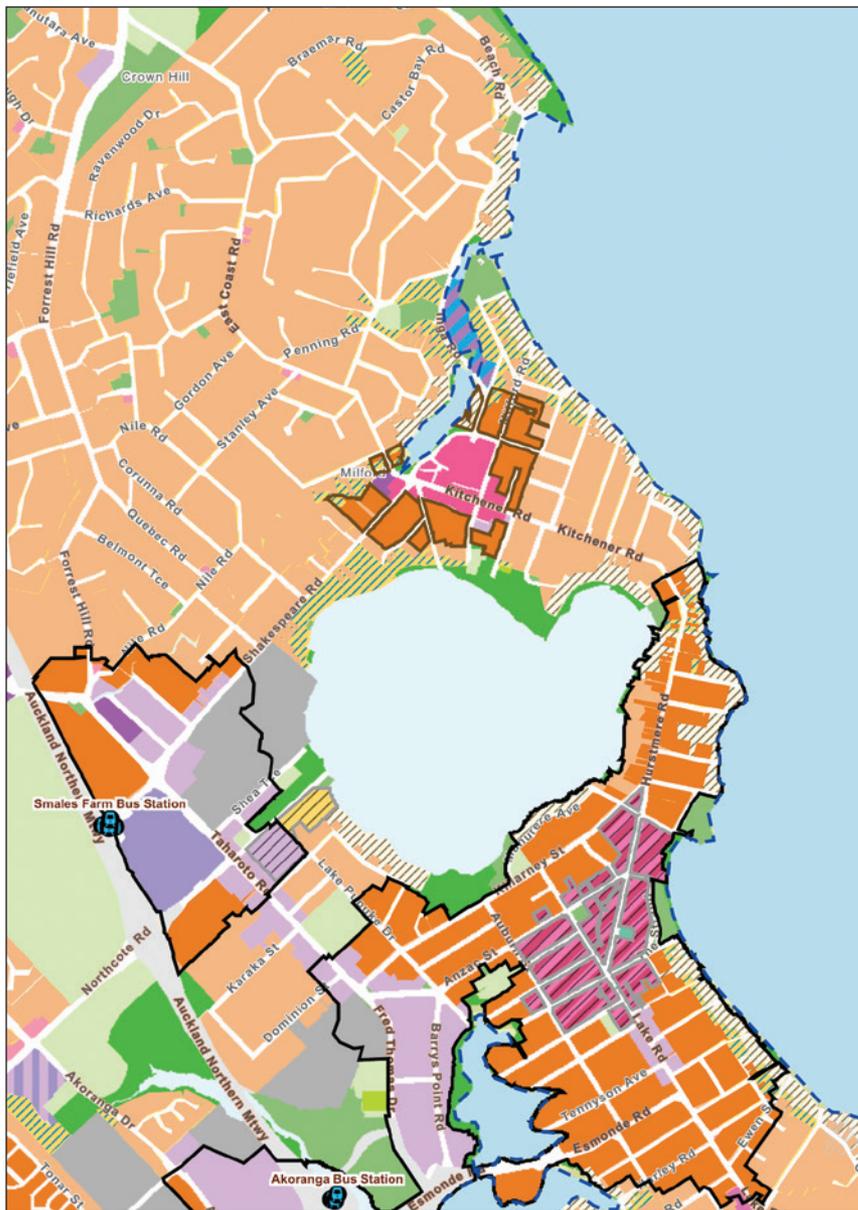
In **Takapuna** metropolitan centre buildings up to 10 storeys are allowed, while in the wider area from north of the centre to Jutland Rd, Hauraki, in the south, heights of up to six storeys are allowed under a terrace housing and apartment zone.

In **Milford** six-storey buildings are allowed for the town centre. On other streets fanning out from Kitchener Rd and to the north and east of the commercial area three, three-storey townhouses are allowed, as has become the standard zoning across much of Auckland.

In **Forrest Hill**, much of **Sunnynook** and other northern parts of the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area, the predominant zoning is for three, three-storey townhouses, but development may be curtailed on sensitive ridge-lines.

The changes have been implemented following laws passed by the government last December that require major cities to increase housing density and building heights. This was backed by the National Party.

To mitigate the impact and protect sensitive areas and sites, Auckland Council is proposing a series of overlays or "qualifying matters". These include volcanic viewshafts and height-sensitive areas, and coastal inundation. The council has also proposed local public views and significant infrastructure constraints (if development can be limited where there is not enough infrastructure to support it) as additional qualifying matters.



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Paint by numbers... Zones around town centres allow for terrace house and apartment building (shown shaded darker brown), with central high-rise zones (pink). Northern Busway hubs, including at Smales Farm (above, centre left) and at Sunnynook (opposite page), also allow high density (dark brown). Sections in suburban areas (shown in light brown) allow three houses up to three storeys as of right, with more dwellings possible on larger sections.

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Together apart... An Auckland Council artist's impression of what three-storey, three-townhouse shared sites will look like

Residents' groups speak out on plan

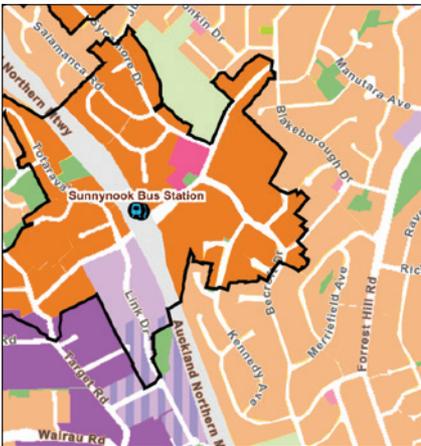
Milford Residents Association says a more evolutionary approach is needed to six-storey intensification, whereas some on the Sunnynook Community Association feel the horse has already bolted in trying to influence proposed planning changes.

The MRA intends submitting against new rules on walkable catchments expanding out from town centres. It says these will scatter high-rises throughout suburban areas, whereas the existing Auckland Unitary Plan was structured to keep higher buildings very close to town centres.

The AUP also had protections – thrashed out after lengthy consultation with all parties – to prevent unreasonable effects such as gross shading and overlooking by close neighbours. Abandoning these under the new proposals would be a breach of faith, the association said.

Sunnynook Community Association chair Mel Powell says its focus is on making the area as liveable as possible. “We welcome the new development and new community members.”

The group would continue pushing for good community facilities and organising events. But trying to influence decision-making and design standards at this stage was widely considered as “too big” to tackle, she said.



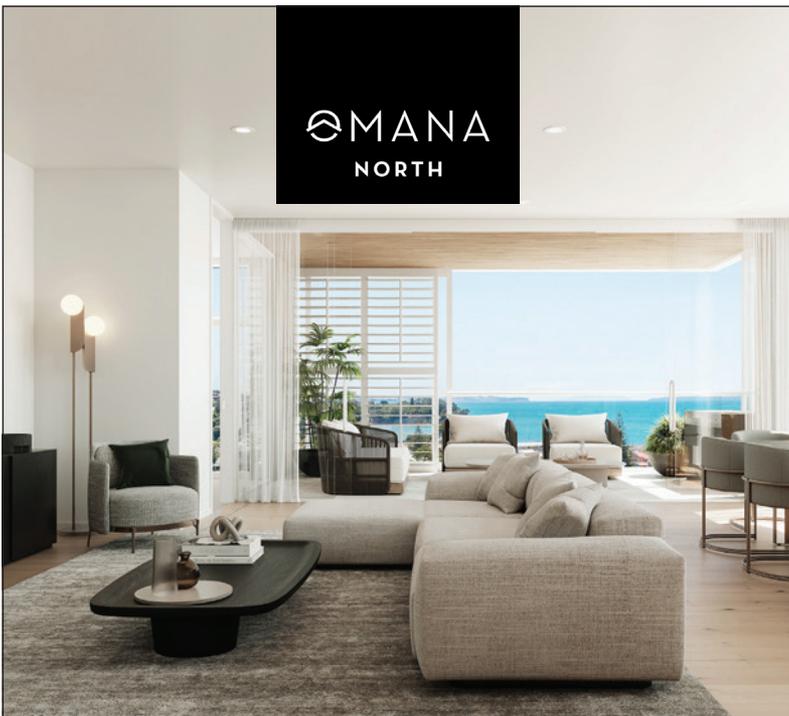
Live and ride... Areas by transport nodes including Sunnynook bus station (above) are earmarked for more intensive housing development

Six storeys allowed near bus stations

Buildings of up to six storeys are allowed within walking distance (800m) of bus stations, including at Sunnynook, Smales Farm and Akoranga. Smales Farm itself has already been zoned to allow apartment blocks.

What happens next

From 19 April to 9 May, Auckland Council is asking for residents' views on zoning changes. The council will consider the feedback received and prepare a proposed plan change to the Auckland Unitary Plan, which will be publicly notified by 20 August 2022. To give feedback and see maps of the changes visit akhaveyoursay.nz/housing



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“We also knew with two of our three children living overseas, when the time comes there is a lot of pressure and responsibility on your children to make decisions. We wanted to take that pressure off our children,” said Karrin.

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Paying tribute... Devonport-Takapuna Local Board members (from left) George Wood, chair Ruth Jackson and deputy Jan O'Connor at the early morning wreath-laying at the Takapuna War Memorial on The Strand. Auckland councillor Richard Hills, North Shore MP Simon Watts and RSA and military representatives and a small number of invited guests also attended.

Award-Winning Therapist Starts a New Business

Bayswater resident Fiona Rubie, a registered diversional therapist, has ventured out to create her own business **Go Nails** mobile manicures and pedicures.

Fiona was announced First Place Winner of the Judy Cooper Excellence Award at the annual diversional therapy national conference recently, demonstrating diversity with her new business. The theme for the Judy Cooper Excellence Award is Diversity – the inclusion of people from a range of different backgrounds.

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Good keening man... Piper Anton Hodson plays the lament Flowers of the Forest inside the Devonport RSA where Chris Mullane (at right, also in action earlier in Takapuna) was again Master of Ceremonies

Anzac Day still has message for next generation

The war in Ukraine has again opened the eyes of New Zealanders to conflict, say youth representatives at the RSA's local Anzac Day event.

After a 6.30am wreath-laying at the Takapuna War Memorial at The Strand and another in Devonport an hour later, formal commemorations continued at 10am at the Devonport RSA clubrooms which serves the wider area.

North Shore events were not open to the public this year due to Covid caution.

Among invited participants was 17-year-old Youth MP Ivy Mitchell, who laid a wreath alongside North Shore MP Simon Watts, who earlier in the year selected her for the role to bring younger voices to Parliament. Ivy, who is head girl at Westlake Girls' High School, said teenagers her age were aware of Anzac Day, but it was important for them to know what actually happened on 25 April at Gallipoli.

The war in Ukraine would have opened eyes, she said. "I think definitely youth these days are quite passionate about current issues and humanitarian issues.

"[The war] does make them realise this has happened before to New Zealanders. It's a good eye-opener for everyone."

Fellow 17-year-old Anna Stuart, who is on the Devonport RSA executive committee and attends Takapuna Grammar School, read the Anzac dedication during the service. She, too, says the Russian invasion of Ukraine has opened people's eyes, and more of her generation need to understand the sacrifices of the past.

"I think that the stuff that they educate us with at schools probably isn't enough."



North Shore Youth MP Ivy Mitchell, who is also head girl at Westlake Girls High School, spoke at the RSA commemoration. She is with North Shore MP Simon Watts, with whom she laid a wreath.

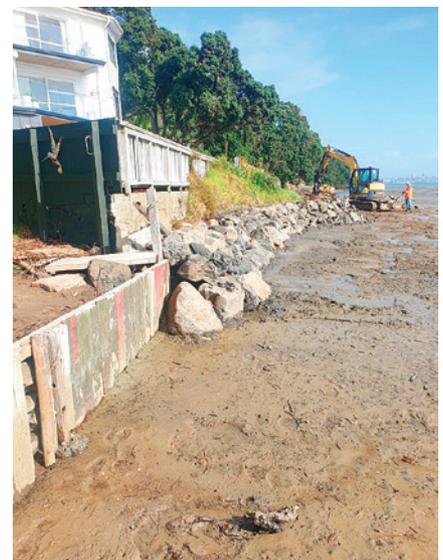
Master of Ceremonies Chris Mullane, a veteran himself, agrees the Ukraine war and its coverage has made war more real. "It's a bit like the Vietnam War which I served in – there it was on your screen every night," he said. Some people he served with could not watch coverage of conflict, try as they might, because it brought back too many memories.

"The thing that confuses me the most is we have enough resources for everyone on this Earth, if we weren't greedy," said Mullane.

Navy Captain Richard Walker addressed the gathering with Navy chaplain Lloyd Salmon leading prayers.

Members of the public, unable to parade this year, laid personal tributes at memorials.

Major upgrades at local reserves



Work is underway to repair and rebuild the seawall along Devonport's Aramoana Reserve.

The seawall has been eroded over the years and sits below the high-tide level in places.

The works, agreed to by the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board, will remedy these defects, repair the rip-rap or loose stone wall on its eastern side, and rebuild the concrete boat ramp in part.

Along with some reconstruction,

the height of the wall will also be lifted in some areas

The work is scheduled to take three to four weeks and access to the reserve is limited over this period.

Meanwhile, the major upgrade to the playground at Oliver/Kawerau Reserve was completed before Easter, offering a wider range of activities for children and families to enjoy.

The playspace includes Mara

Hūpara - Māori traditional play elements, Torere - Māori traditional log games, a climbing module with two slides, a swing set and waka seesaw.

It also features a new large shade tree over a seating area, a picnic table and native plants that blend with existing coastal restoration planting.

The project was undertaken as part of the local board's renewals programme.

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Fiesta frolics

The Latin Fiesta at Takapuna Beach Reserve drew sunshine, crowds and performers from all over Auckland last weekend. Traditional clothing and food was on sale and the crowd was taught Latin dance moves. A repeat event is planned next year by the Takapuna Beach Business Association.



Purple passion: Carol Abarca shows the way for the group Kunza performing a traditional Chilean dance



Shore friends... (from left) Harper Burjony and Zoe Peacock, both 4, with Zoe's sister Mila, 3, enjoying the fiesta



Star turn... Aisling McKenna (left) shops at the Fashion Brazil stand, where activewear designer Ceri Fonseca said the fiesta brought her back to her dancing days, as one of the first Latin American dancers in New Zealand



Frilling fun... Lola Mayans, 5, dresses in style



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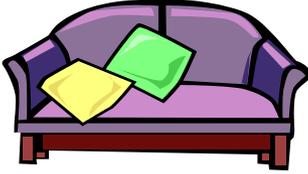
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Push for more heritage recognition of military sites

Greater recognition of the collective heritage value of North Shore military sites is warranted, the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board has told Auckland Council.

The string of coastal fortifications from Kennedy Park in Castor Bay down to North Head – along with memorials in Takapuna and Devonport and O’Neill’s Point Cemetery in Bayswater – make up a historic landscape of national significance, board feedback to Auckland Council says.

The board wants two sites related to this cluster to be given upgraded status in the council’s update of its Historic Heritage Schedule. These are the World War I memorial gates and oak trees at Takapuna Primary School and Memorial Drive on the Lake Rd approach to Devonport, which remembers those who died in World War II.

The feedback, compiled by board member Trish Deans, noted the path in front of the school on Anzac St, known as Sanders Way, honours local man William Sanders who was the only New Zealander awarded the Victoria Cross for naval service.

In all, the local board wants an extra 10 sites given an A category on the council’s

schedule, up from the B listing recommended for them by council staff. As well as the two military sites, the others are the PumpHouse building at Lake Pupuke reserve, a private home in Belmont and six commercial buildings in Devonport.

The board also wants the shell path along Devonport’s waterfront – built to commemorate the end of the Boer War – to be put back on the schedule.

It otherwise endorsed the schedule compiled by council staff. This gives the Kennedy Park complex an A listing, along with Devonport’s World War I Memorial (the Untidy Soldier) and O’Neill’s Pt cemetery which includes war graves. The cemetery has recently been separately proposed as a Category 1 Historic Place by Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga (story below).

Council heritage assessments were first tabled in February (and reported in the Observer). They cover a total of 56 properties in the board area, of which 13 were given Category A classification, 33 moved down to Category B, seven listings (including a number of plaques) removed as not qualifying for recognition and several

amalgamated. The process was required because the heritage schedule had been carried over when Auckland Council was formed, but it needed reassessment to meet current criteria. Some of the listings dated back to 1980 classifications made by the Devonport Borough Council which were adopted by the North Shore City Council.

A plan change hearings panel, to sit at a date yet to be set, will determine what is finally incorporated into the Auckland Unitary Plan (AUP). Deans and board chair Ruth Jackson will put the board’s views at this. Deans said she would keep interested parties, including the RSA, in the loop as matters progressed.

Heritage sites, other than those mentioned above, that are still on the list for the area of the board north of Esmonde Rd comprise:

Category A: Frank Sargeons’s cottage, 14a Esmonde Rd; and Watts’ residence (former Golder House), 14 Rewiti Ave.

Category B: Lake House, 37 Fred Thomas Dr; St Joseph’s Industrial School and Orphanage for Boys (former), 2 Taharoto Rd; Merksworth Castle, 253-255 Hurstmere Rd; and Hurstmere, 288 Hurstmere Rd.

Cemetery a Category 1 case for safeguarding local history

Heritage New Zealand’s plan to list O’Neill’s Point Cemetery as a Category 1 Historic Place has been strongly endorsed by the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board.

The cemetery includes military graves and those of early settlers, including from early Milford and Takapuna. Among them are the O’Neills, who lent their name to the Bayswater Ave plot, and Thomas and Mary Poynton, Catholic missionaries whose graves were visited early this year by the Irish Ambassador to New Zealand.

The board thanked Heritage New Zealand and asked it to advocate for the cemetery’s addition to the Commonwealth War Graves Commission’s list of significant sites. It also

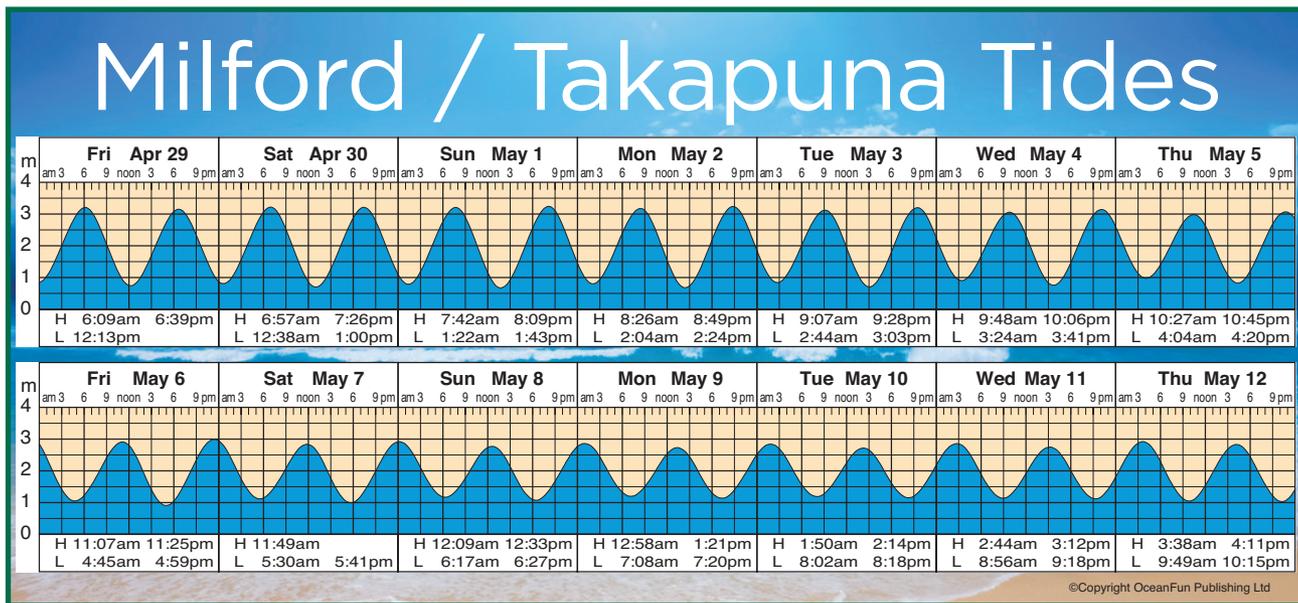
called for signage and online resources to be considered to help visitors find graves.

Fifty-four New Zealand servicemen are buried there, along with a similar number of Pacific Islanders. Most of the latter died of influenza while in camp at Narrow Neck before embarking for World War I. The civilian impact can also be seen, with a neighbour of the cemetery and Devonport RSA patron, Chris Mullane, saying: “A number of headstones show the impact of Spanish flu over 100 years ago – it was the Covid of its day.”

Pacific Island families still visited the cemetery to acknowledge their ancestral connections with the area, he said.

Mullane told a board meeting last week that he was delighted with moves to recognise the cemetery’s heritage status. “It tells the story of this local area and the history of this place.” He would like to see a memorial with names of military personnel installed.

The tireless campaigner for cemetery maintenance – along with board member George Wood, who said it took years to get the front fence fixed – acknowledged its upkeep by Auckland Council was now much improved. Navy singer Rebecca Nelson and the Remembrance Army had also spearheaded restoring military graves, with Mullane saying this had spilled over to other families better maintaining their plots.





When love comes to town: musicians on tour in Takapuna



U2 frontman Bono “salutes” the crowd at Mt Smart Stadium. The photograph, taken by Craig Baxter in 2010, is one of 30 images that will go on display in Takapuna showcasing international and local musicians performing in New Zealand. Timed for New Zealand Music Month, look out for the exhibition from May 2. It will enliven empty

shopfronts on Hurstmere Rd in an initiative by the Takapuna Beach Business Association to draw people to the town centre. It features a selection of entries from amateur and professional photographers to last year’s Aotearoa Music Photography Awards. More recent images include band Six60 and an award-winning shot of Aucklander Bence.

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Open season... PumpHouse donor and theatre trustee Peter Baird cuts the ribbon last week for a new canopy over the courtyard

One thousand people contributed to a new canopy to shelter theatregoers outside the PumpHouse in Takapuna.

Manager James Bell said \$75,000 had been fundraised for the new canopy, which bridged the courtyard between the theatre on one side and the cafe and bathroom on the other. Donations included those from many people "adding a dollar here or there with ticket purchases", alongside sizeable donations from the theatre trustee Peter Baird and arts stalwart Genevieve Becroft.

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