

Rebecca Vertongen

From: Tony Pickard
Sent: Friday, 3 June 2011 3:09 p.m.
To: Mike Butler
Cc: Stuart Park
Subject: RE: Russell Wharf Alterations

Hi Mike

More pointless sidetracking as I see it. Any visual architect (?) will only come up with “less than minor effects” as they will be comparing a small structure with a ‘busy’ background. An assessment of effects by an experienced heritage professional is needed. NRC don’t have any, and the applicant is a commercial organisation with a need to gain value for money. FNHL could use FNDC’s heritage planners if they had any, but they don’t either.

The applicant needs to provide a heritage assessment and the Council needs to have it professionally peer reviewed. They are as usual relying on HPT to do everything for them.

I would request both applicant and Council specifically address the salient RMA sections (below) as NRC have demonstrated a clear lack of understanding of these previously.

- any cumulative effect which arises over time or in combination with other effects—
regardless of the scale, intensity, duration, or frequency of the effect, and also includes—
- **historic heritage—**
 - (a) means those natural and physical resources that contribute to an understanding and appreciation of New Zealand's history and cultures, deriving from any of the following qualities:
 - (i) archaeological:
 - (ii) architectural:
 - (iii) cultural:
 - (iv) historic:
 - (v) scientific:
 - (vi) technological; and
 - (b) includes—
 - (i) historic sites, structures, places, and areas; and
 - (ii) archaeological sites; and
 - (iii) sites of significance to Māori, including wāhi tapu; and
 - (iv) surroundings associated with the natural and physical resources

The wharf definitely needs repair, and I gather that many local wharf users (charter boats, commercial and recreational fishers) are fully supportive of an upgrade. Their needs however may be different to the other local businesses who just want to increase their turnover. The recent locals v. Council meeting was ambushed by a ‘protection’ group, and rumours are rife that it could not be achieved within the time frames anyway.

In terms of images, Paihia's existing wharf area is a comparable example of commercial development with no attention to character. You may want to take photos when you visit.

Regards

Tony

From: Mike Butler
Sent: Thursday, 2 June 2011 12:46 p.m.
To: Tony Pickard
Subject: FW: Russell Wharf Alterations

Hi Tony, fyi, thoughts etc. as you see fit.
Regards,
Mike

From: Chris Galbraith [mailto:chris@fnhl.co.nz]
Sent: Wednesday, 1 June 2011 6:01 p.m.
To: Mike Butler
Subject: RE: Russell Wharf Alterations

Hi Mike,

We have been working visual architects out of Auckland to produce the images you are seeking. As they are extremely expensive I need to refine the location of the photographs you require as these all have to be approved by a surveyor and plotted. Attached are a couple of proposed locations from which the pontoon can be then laid in to. Can you please confirm that these locations are acceptable? I will call you in the morning to discuss.

Many thanks
Chris

From: Mike Butler [mailto:MButler@historic.org.nz]
Sent: Friday, 20 May 2011 11:50 a.m.
To: Chris Galbraith
Cc: Stuart Park; Tony Pickard
Subject: FW: Russell Wharf Alterations

Hello Chris, thank for you for details of the proposal.
As conveyed to you by Stuart – we are keen for the wharf, materials and scale, not to detract from historic Russell. To this end, to help us better understand the scale, effects and use of recessive colours and timber capping, can you please supply us with further information in the form of a graphic montage of the proposal as it will appear when looking from Russell, as is common with coastal environment AEE's. It is likely that this would be requested as part of a s92 request by the processing planner once the application is lodged.
Thank you,
Regards
Mike Butler

HA Planning Advisor NZHPT

From: Chris Galbraith [mailto:chris@fnhl.co.nz]
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2011 10:46 AM
To: Stuart Park
Subject: Russell Wharf Alterations

Hi Stuart,

Thanks for your time on Wednesday.

Please find attached the Draft Application for the alterations to Russell Wharf. On Page 8, I have included the treatment required for the gangway as discussed. Also attached is a slightly updated drawing for your information.

Look forward to your reply and if you have any questions please let me know.

Regards
Chris Galbraith

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From: Mike Butler
Sent: Thursday, 9 June 2011 11:28 a.m.
To: Bill Edwards
Subject: Russell wharf, an authority required?

Hi Bill, I hope the AA conference went well for you & Shelagh.
Just a thought Stuart and I had, was whether or not there was the possibility that the Russell wharf southern extension would need an authority?
Hopefully the heritage assessment we have asked for will address where earlier Russell wharf/wharves/jetties were. This one was built in the 1920s and modified from the 1950s and 70s.
Thanks,
Mike

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From: Mike Butler
Sent: Friday, 17 June 2011 1:37 p.m.
To: Bill Edwards
Subject: Russell Wharf authority?

Hi Bill, just a note: have been doing some digging on my own regarding how old one? of the first wharves was at Russell.

There is mention of a wharf at Kororareka in the late 1860s "Mr. Vilcocq's wharf", 70s through to the 90s. I'm aware Russell changed location but that sounds right.

We know the present public works wharf plans were drawn up in 1924 and built shortly afterwards with later additions in the 1950s, 70s etc.

Anyway, just a bit of background.

Cheers,

mike

Rebecca Vertongen

From: Mike Butler
Sent: Thursday, 2 June 2011 4:19 p.m.
To: 'terry.lizg@kinect.co.nz'
Subject: FW: Russell Wharf

Hello Clr. Greening, thank you for the email that Stuart Park has forwarded through to me.

I have discussed the proposal with Chris Galbraith today and he has met with Stuart prior to this. My colleagues and myself have also discussed the proposal today and requested further information from FNHL regarding a more comprehensive landscape and heritage assessment relative to Russell together with further information regarding such things as timber materials and design detail with the proposal. We have suggested that a heritage architect would prove useful with regards to design issues and the considerations of functionality.

This further information will enable us to fully assess the proposal.

I am happy to discuss further. My phone no. here is: 09 307 9926. Please note that I work p/time but I will set my out of office assistant and phone as to my availability.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

Mike Butler

HA Planning NA

From: Terry & Liz Greening [<mailto:terry.lizg@kinect.co.nz>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2011 2:42 PM
To: Stuart Park
Subject: Russell Wharf

Good afternoon Stuart,

The Russell community is currently working with the Far North District Council to progress the renovation/upgrade and to that end community representatives met with the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillor McNally (wearing his FNHL Director's hat) this morning. We were told that you (your organisation) have been in discussion with Chris Galbraith of Far North Holdings Ltd regarding the materials to be used in the proposed wharf renovation/upgrade. I am also aware (albeit relatively recently) that the HPT was a signatory to the attached document, which was tabled at today's meeting by the Russell Protection Society.

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Can you please have the appropriate member of your staff contact me so that we can keep the information flow moving?

Thank you,

Terry Greening
Bay of Islands – Whangaroa Community Board
Russell/Opua subdivision

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From: Stuart Park
Sent: Thursday, 2 June 2011 3:46 p.m.
To: Mike Butler
Subject: FW: Russell Wharf
Attachments: Final Version.pdf - short term.pdf

Is this the one you mean?

Stuart Park

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From: Stuart Park
Sent: Thursday, June 02, 2011 9:29 AM
To: Mike Butler; 'Bill Edwards'
Subject: FW: Russell Wharf

For discussion. The attached document is from the last discussion on this in 2008.

Stuart Park

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Our ref: **NA NR RC v.1**

1 July 2011

Chris Galbraith,
General Manager
Far North Holdings Ltd
Opuia Marine Park
P.O. Box 7
Opuia, 0241

Dear Chris,

RE: RUSSELL WHARF, KORORAREKA BAY, PROPOSED UPGRADE AND EXTENSION

The New Zealand Historic Places Trust (“NZHPT”) is an autonomous Crown Entity, with responsibilities under the Historic Places Act 1993 to promote the identification, protection, preservation and conservation of the historical and cultural resources of New Zealand. This includes working with local and regional authorities to advocate similar such protection under the Resource Management Act 1991.

The NZHPT’s powers and responsibilities extend to any land that lies within the territorial limits of New Zealand. This includes the Conservation Estate and the Coastal Marine Area.

The consultation by Far North Holdings with NZHPT as an ‘affected party’ concerning the proposed Russell wharf upgrade and extension has been appreciated.

There were jetties in existence in Russell in the 1860s with reference to a “Mr. Vilcoq’s wharf” prior to the construction of a larger central public wharf that is believed to have been constructed in 1879. Ministry of Works and development plans drawn up for the present wharf date from 1924, 1950, and 1972-85.

The NZHPT was consulted with regards to the proposal and the Northland Regional Council Operative Regional Coastal Plan (“RCP”) assessment criteria in so far as *the design, scale and external appearance and the extent of the structure* are concerned. The objectives and policies of the RCP include: *Ensuring that the intensity, character and scale of development is appropriate in relation to the character, heritage and amenity values of adjoining land in the coastal environment above MHWS.*

Policy 17 of the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement 2010 is *to protect historic heritage in the coastal environment from inappropriate subdivision, use and development by...initiating assessment and management of historic heritage in the context of historic landscapes and facilitating and integrating management of historic heritage that spans the line of MHWS.*

The Russell wharf adjoins the Russell Heritage Precinct in the Far North District Council District Plan.

To better understand the proposal (design, scale, external appearance and extent) the NZHPT requested a landscape assessment (including visual simulations) and a heritage assessment by suitably qualified and experienced persons in relationship to the proposed wharf upgrade and extensions in the Assessment of Environmental Effects.

Whilst the Applicant has provided additional details in writing as an adjunct to the plans based upon discussions with the NZHPT and photographs of the various disparate elements currently making up the wharf, the methodology and detail for the proposal and the approach to the mitigation of the adverse effects is not based upon specialist advice in both the landscape and heritage architect fields such that we are able to indicate our support or otherwise for the proposal.

We continue to remain concerned about the use of non-timber materials and traditional forms notwithstanding the applicants need for functionality.

As such, we do not currently support the proposal.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Butler
HA Planning NA

APPLICATION FORM FOR RESOURCE CONSENT

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This application is made under Section 88/127
of the Resource Management Act 1991

To: Consents Department
Northland Regional Council
Private Bag 9021
Whāngārei Mall Centre
Whāngārei 0148

IMPORTANT NOTES TO APPLICANTS

- Please read fully the notes below and the Information Brochures and Explanatory Notes available from the Council, before preparing your application and any supporting information.
- The Resource Management Act 1991 sets out the information you must provide with your application for a resource consent. If you do not provide adequate information, your application cannot be received nor processed by the Council and will be returned to you. If you are unsure of what information should be included with your application, please contact the Council before submitting the application.
- Applications require notification (public advertising calling for submissions) unless the Council is satisfied that the adverse effects on the environment of the activity for which consent is sought will be minor; and written approval has been obtained from every person who the Council is satisfied may be adversely affected by the granting of the consent. The Council also has available a form "Notice of Approval of Persons Affected", to help you record such approvals for applications that may be processed without public notification.

PART A – GENERAL

APPLICANT	Full Names	
(1) Full Name of Applicant(s): (in full, eg. Albert William Jones and Mary Anne Jones. For Companies, Trusts and other Organisations, commonly used name)	FAR NORTH HOLDINGS LIMITED	
Phone Number Business:	(09) 4025659	Fax: (09) 4025669
Home:		Mobile: 0274 573 512
E-mail:	Chris @ Pnhl.co.nz	

For applications by a company, private trusts or other entity/organisations, the Directors; Trustees and Officers' full names must be supplied and Section (12) completed and signed.

(2) Postal Address: (in full)	P O BOX 7
	ŌPUA
	BAY OF ISLANDS

(3) Residential Address: (if different from postal address)	

Address for Service Documents: (if different from postal address, eg. Consultant)	

(5) Owner/Occupier of Land/ Water Body: (if different from the Applicant)	FAR NORTH DISTRICT COUNCIL

(6) Type(s) of Resource Consent sought from the Regional Council:

You will need to fill in a separate Assessment of Environmental Effects Form for each activity. These forms can be obtained from the Northland Regional Council.

Coastal Permit

Mooring
 Marine Farm
 Structure
 Pipeline/Cable

Other (specify) _____

Land Use Consent

Vegetation Clearance
 Quarry
 Structure in/over Watercourse

Earthworks
 Construct/Alter a Bore
 Dam Structure

Other (specify) _____

Water Permit

Stream/Surface Take
 Damming
 Groundwater Take
 Diverting Water

Other (specify) _____

Discharge Permit

Domestic Effluent to Land
 General Discharge to Land
 Farm Dairy Effluent to Land/Water

Air
 Water

Other (specify) _____

(7) Other Resource Consents required from the District Council:

Where other Resource Consents are required for the same activity, they must be applied for at the same time. Not doing so will delay the processing of this application.

What other Resource Consents are required from your District Council?

None
 Land Use Consent
 Subdivision Consent

Have the applications been made? Yes No

(8) Description of the Activity:

Please briefly describe the activities and duration for which Consent(s) are being sought. It is important you fill this out correctly, as the Council cannot grant Consent for any activity you do not apply for.

To erect signage on a portion of the main approach section of Russell Wharf

Location of Property/Waterbody to which Application relates:

Be the location in a manner which will allow it to be readily identified, eg. street address, legal description, harbour, bay, map reference etc. Attach appropriate plans and/or diagrams.

Property Address: _____ Locality: _____
(see page 4 of manual)

Legal Description: _____ Blk: _____ SD: _____

Other Location Information: Russell Wharf at Kotoraka Bay, 1701990 E 6077695 N.

PART B – ASSESSMENT OF EFFECTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT

You must include an assessment of the effects of your activity on the environment as part of your application.

The Resource Management Act 1991 requires that each application include an assessment of the actual and potential effects of the activity on the environment in accordance with the Fourth Schedule.

To assist you to supply this assessment of effects, the Council has prepared specific forms for various consent activities. For minor activities, all that will be required is for you to complete the specific form. Where the potential effects of the activity are more significant, we recommend you undertake a full assessment of effects, with professional assistance if necessary.

If you are unsure of what information to include with your application and the assessment of effects, please contact the Council before submitting your application. A pre-lodgement meeting with relevant Consent Staff is recommended.

PART C – GENERAL

(10) Renewal of an Existing Resource Consent:

Yes No A change in conditions of a current Resource Consent

(11) Fee/Deposit Enclosed with Application(s):

Application to be processed as: Notified Limited Notified Non-notified

Coastal Permit: \$ _____ Land Use Consent: \$ _____
 Water Permit: \$ _____ Discharge Permit: \$ _____
 Bore Permit: \$ _____ Change Conditions: \$ _____

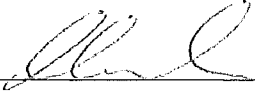
(12) Signature of Applicant(s) or Persons authorised to sign on behalf of Applicant(s):

IMPORTANT NOTES TO APPLICANTS

- (a) Your application must be accompanied by the minimum fee (deposit) as determined by the Council. A schedule of the fee/deposits for different consent applications is annexed. Please note that applications by private trusts and other group entities require the personal guarantees of the Trustees and/or Officers for the payment of costs to be submitted with the application.
 - For complex applications, the Council may require an additional deposit pursuant to Section 36(3) of the Act, based on the estimated costs for processing such complex applications and may require progressive monthly payments during consent processing.
 - The final fee is based on actual and reasonable costs including disbursements and where this fee exceeds the fee/deposit, the additional fee is subject to objection and appeal.
- (b) All accounts are payable by the 20th of the month following the date of invoice.

Any actual and reasonable costs, including but not limited to legal costs, debt collection fees or disbursements incurred as a result of any default in payment, shall be recoverable from the Applicant and is so notified in compliance with the Credit Contracts and Finance Act 2003. Submitting this Application authorises the Council to, if necessary, provide your personal information to a Credit Reporter in order to employ in its debt collection services in compliance with the Credit Reporting Privacy Code 2004, should payment default occur.
- (c) Resource Consents usually attract an annual fee to recover the reasonable costs of the Council's monitoring, supervision and administration of the Consent during its term.
- (d) The information you provide is official information. It will be used to process the application and, together with other official information, assist the management of the region's natural and physical resources. Access to information held by the Northland Regional Council is administered in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the Privacy Act 1993.

I/we declare that, to the best of my/our knowledge and belief, the information given in this Application and attached Assessment of Environmental Effects is true and correct. I/we unconditionally guarantee jointly and severally to pay the actual and reasonable costs of processing this Application as and when charges become due and payable. I/we acknowledge that I/we understand the consequences of signing this declaration.

Signature:  Signature: _____
 Full Name (print): CHRISTOPHER PAUL GARDNER-111 Full Name (print): _____
 Date: 24 JULY 2012 Date: _____

Continue with Trustees' and Authorised Officers' signatures below, as necessary.

Personal details and signatures of Trustees*, or Officers authorised to sign on behalf of and to bind Trusts, Societies and Unincorporated Entities.

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CHECKLIST - Have you remembered to...

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Complete all details set out in this Application Form | <input type="checkbox"/> Include a Site Plan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Include an Assessment of Effects of the activity on the environment, set out in the attached form | <input type="checkbox"/> Include the appropriate fee/deposit as set out in the "Schedule of Fees" |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sign and date the Application Form | <input type="checkbox"/> Complete details of Trustees and/or Authorised Officers on this page. |

Russell Wharf Signage Application:

Summary:

This application is for a section of signage (approx 12m) on a central portion of the wharf main access pier.

The location has been selected as having the least visual impact. The sectional approach is to ensure all signs are uniformed in size and not spread the length of the approach pier.

The signage is to be allocated by the Russell Wharf Community Trust who has been established to raise funds for the wharf's recent upgrade. The Trust is obligated to the Far North District Council to raise in excess of \$100,000 as its share of the \$400,000 upgrade. Businesses in the local community will be able to purchase the signage space on a commercial basis, annually. Once the funds have been raised to pay the Council loan funds will then be directed to wharf related maintenance.

The economic value of the wharf is significant and it is important for the community to have a source of revenue to maintain the wharf. The Wharf is a major community asset and is integral to their everyday life. It provides for and delivers people to and from the communities.

MM6 prescribes that signage should relate to activities that are on the wharf, however, given the role the wharf plays for the community it is considered that all local businesses are essentially linked to the functions of the wharf as it is critical to their existence.

The signage provides economic value to the community as it promotes local services and facilities. The wharf is the gateway to the community and is the first point of contact for tourists and visitors. The signage is provided to communicate what services are available.

There is existing signage on the wharf that will be moved to the proposed site in this application. Ferry schedules and directional signage will remain at the head of the wharf and be repositioned to have a more orderly appearance.

Various alternative locations have been considered but all have great visual impact that the area proposed.

- the seaward end of the wharf has signage which relates to the existing information kiosk. Additional signage would be too intensive and useful purpose would be lost.
- the passenger ferry pontoons are areas no conducive to signage where it would be a distraction to safety in these areas.
- the southern pier is not able to accommodate signage and would be inappropriate for signage due to the visual impact

The proposed signage has significant community support with a number of letters of support attached to this application.

Part B Assessment of Environmental Effects – Minor Coastal Activity

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PART B – ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

Your application must include an Assessment of Effects on the Environment. This form and the associated Information Requirement Booklet will help you prepare it.

An assessment of effects is required so that you and others can understand what happens to the environment when you carry out a minor coastal activity, whether it is existing or new. This will help you to propose ways to minimise those effects to the Regional Council's satisfaction.

The degree of detail required is in proportion to the scale of the environmental effects of your proposal. If the size of your proposed activity or the scale of its potential effects is significant, a report by a professional advisor in support of your application may be required.

Please note that the word "environment" includes the surrounding coastal water, adjoining land, any surrounding resource users, and local iwi.

It is advised that you make an appointment with a Council Officer to discuss your application prior to lodging it. This will help you supply all the required information at the onset and ensure the efficient processing of your application.

A. Describe the Proposed Activity

A.1 Describe the proposed activity(ies):

To place advertising signage on the main approach pier of Russell Wharf of approximately 24m (12m per side) in length.

Signs will be all uniform in size 800mm x 600mm (.48m²). Gaps will be placed in between each sign (approx 200mm).

Advertising will be on the inward facing side only.

Signage will be administered by the Russell Wharf Community Trust

Refer attached Summary.

A.2 Is the proposed activity new, or an alteration/extension of an existing activity or structure? New Existing

A.3 If the application is to continue or alter an activity or structure, is there any previous resource consent or authority (eg. Harbours Act approval or Water Right)? No Yes

If so, what are the existing permit numbers?

ATTACH A COPY OF THE APPROVAL

B. Site Details

B.1 Describe the site of the proposed activity, including reference to existing structures in the coastal marine area and on the adjacent land. Ensure that a detailed map is provided as outlined on page 3.

The application site is known as the Russell Wharf located within the Crown Sea Bed of Kororareka Bay , Russell. The Wharf is served by water access from the wider Bay of Islands and vehicle access via Cass Street , Russell and is situated within the wider catchment of the Russell township. The existing wharf provides a range of services and facilities to private , commercial and tourist alike. This includes berthing spaces for ferry customers , spaces for tourist ventures , private berths , refueling facilities , water supply , access to solid waste collection , booking services . and weigh station.

B.2 Describe the seabed materials (eg. rock, sand, or shingle) at the site of the activity and in the surrounding area.

Predominantly soft marine mud on top of gravel rock.

B.3 Describe the plants and animals (eg. mangroves, saltmarsh or shellfish beds) at the site of the activity and the surrounding area.

N/A

B.4 Describe any cultural areas, historic areas, scenic features and food gathering areas within 500 metres of the proposed activity.

Archeological Report attached.

B.5 You must attach a map that shows the following (Refer to Page 3):

- the location of the proposed activity,
- the legal boundaries of any adjoining properties,
- any adjacent public roads, esplanade reserves, marginal strips,
- the location of the coastal marine boundary (ie. mean high water springs),
- the location of any existing coastal activities within 500 metres (including existing structures.)

It is also advised that you supply photographs of the site and the surrounding area.

B.6 If the application includes any structure (eg. jetty, boat ramp, or discharge pipes), you must attach a structure plan that shows the following (Refer to Page 4):

- the dimensions of the structure,
- front view
- side view
- plan view
- position of mean high water springs (MHWS) - ie. high tide mark.

C. Assessment of Effects on the Environment

C.1 Will the proposed activity have any impact on plant, animal or marine life?

No, why not?
Not in the tidal area.

Yes, describe impact

C.2 Describe the visual impact the proposal will have, and include an assessment of compatibility with existing activities, structures and surroundings.

The proposal will have a minor impact on visual amenity of the wharf approach pier when viewed from a position perpendicular to the wharf. This impact will only be apparent from a long distance (over 300m) to the north and south of the wharf. Given the intensive construction type of the wharf railings being close together the actual effect is considered to be minor. The wharf is a modernised structure with existing signage.

C.3 Will the proposed activity have any impact on other users of the area? *(include any restriction on public access to and along the foreshore, during construction and/or once construction is finished)*

No, why not?

Yes, describe impact

Existing signage will be updated to conform with size standard and where possible moved to the location of this proposal.

C.4 Will the proposed activity have an effect on coastal processes of the area (eg. erosion) and/or on water quality?

No, why not?
Not in tidal area.

Yes, describe impact

C.5 Mitigation Measures

If you have identified any potential effects that may be more than minor in your assessment above, please consider and describe the steps you propose to take to mitigate these effects.

Signs located in a central location so are not proliferated along its length.

Gaps between signs.

C.6 Alternatives

Sometimes the adverse effects of a proposal can be mitigated by the consideration of alternatives. Please identify and describe any alternative locations/designs/methods.

Directory boards at head of wharf - has greater visual impact and can obstruct entrance to wharf.

Wharf building - already has signage. Not enough space.

G.7 Consultation

Written approvals regarding your proposal are normally required from the adjoining land owners/occupiers and consultation undertaken with the Department of Conservation and local iwi is advised. If there is an adjacent esplanade reserve (marginal strip) administered by the Department of Conservation or the District Council, then written approval is normally required from that agency.

Any letters of concern/support or comment from persons consulted should be attached to this application form.

The Northland Regional Council can supply you with prescribed written approval forms to aid you with the consultation.

Will the proposed activity have an effect on any neighbouring property owners?

No, why not?

Yes, describe impact

Have you consulted with any of the following potentially affected parties?

	Yes	No
Neighbours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other users of the coastal marine area	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Department of Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
District Council	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local iwi (specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify): Russell Wharf Community Trust	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please attach a record of any consultation which has taken place. The Regional Council has forms to aid with this consultation.

Please ensure all the relevant questions on this form have been answered fully.

If you have any queries relating to information requirements or wish to meet with a Council Consents Officer, please contact the Northland Regional Council.

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21 August 2012

Far North Holdings Ltd
P O Box 7
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Bay of Islands

Attention: Chris Galbraith

Dear Chris

Russell Wharf Signage – Kororeka Bay - 1701990E 6097295N

1. Thank you for consulting the New Zealand Historic Places Trust (“NZHPT”) on this proposal.
2. NZHPT is an affected party in its role as statutory advocate for historic heritage.
3. Historic heritage is a matter of national importance under Section 6(f) of the Resource Management Act (“RMA”) 1991. Part 2 of that Act includes archaeology under the definition of historic heritage. Under section 104(1) of the RMA, a territorial authority must consider Part 2 matters (which includes section 6(f)) when making a decision on an application. Therefore, effects on archaeological sites must be taken into account by council when assessing a consent application.
4. Any adverse effects of the proposal on archaeological sites should be avoided where possible/minimised/etc. or else NZHPT will require involvement as a regulatory agency.
5. NZHPT considers that the proposed location of the signage will not affect archaeology as it will be positioned on an existing handrail on Russell Wharf. Further, the proposal involves a more orderly and discreet arrangement of advertising signage on the wharf.
6. Accordingly, we have no objection to the proposed signage as outlined.

Yours sincerely,

Jodie Mitchell
Heritage Advisor Planning

