

THE EREBUS MEMORIAL

28 NOVEMBER 2017

Prime Minister announces will complete an Erebus memorial in time for the 40th Anniversary of the Erebus crash in two years' time.

JUNE 2018

Ministry determines that the memorial **should be sited at a council owned site to limit the cost of using the site.**

Five sites are shortlisted as locations for the memorial: Domain, Bastion Point, The Viaduct, Cornwall Park, and Mataharehare Pa site (Dove Myer Robinson Park). **Mataharehare is the only council owned site on the shortlist.**

24 JULY 2018

The Ministry seeks feedback from Erebus families via a Colmar Brunton Survey.

AUGUST 2018

Auckland Council staff offer to review other sites for the Ministry including those that would have "a greater sense of place relevant to Erebus".

The Ministry declines this offer and determines to come to Auckland and visit Mataharehare with Erebus Families who they have "**a close relationship with**".

5 SEPTEMBER 2018

Pippa Coom (then the Chair of the Waitemata Local Board) confirms her (and the Deputy Chair's) personal support for the memorial to be sited at Mataharehare. Ms Coom suggested that a **proposal be made to the board "in confidence"** to seek in principle support for landowner consent.

31 OCTOBER 2018

Ministry advised that it has been in contact with Jamie Sinclair (Ngati Whatua) and "he will be taking a draft letter of support to the Trust Board meeting on 9 November...**Our aim is to have the site secured in time for the PM's meeting with the families on 28 November**".

12 NOVEMBER 2018

Trust Board of Ngati Whatua provides a letter of support **without consultation with Taumata (Elders) as required.**

20 NOVEMBER 2018

Waitemata Local Board grants Landowner consent in principal. This is subject to conditions including that they receive the **letter of support from the Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei Trust** and notes that the **Ministry for Culture and Heritage will lead mana whenua consultation on the location**

28 NOVEMBER 2018

Prime Minister meets Erebus Families at a private memorial event. **Many family members raise concerns regarding the site selected.**

FEBRUARY 2019

The six designs shortlisted by the Ministry are assessed by the urban design panel. **No input from mana whenua**

14 AUGUST 2019

The Ministry writes to wider mana whenua alleging that they have been working with Ngati Whatua since the start of 2018 on the project and **seeking wider mana whenua feedback on the design of the memorial by 26 August 2019.**

Ngati Whanaunga request opportunity to carry out a review to "give it full consideration from our iwi perspective".

6 SEPTEMBER 2019

Arborist Report by Peers Brown Miller produced. The report does not consider how sacred the Pōhutukawa is to tangata whenua and mana whenua.

15 SEPTEMBER 2019

The Ministry lodges **Resource Consent application.**

29 OCTOBER 2019

Feedback from public consultation received by the Waitemata Local Board. **54% of respondents say that the Erebus Memorial would worsen the respondents experience of Mataharehare. 77% of Waitemata residents oppose the location.**

1 DECEMBER 2019

Clough and Associates produce an archaeological assessment of Mataharehare for the Ministry. The assessment details the European history of the location but **"does not include an assessment of Maori cultural values. Such assessments should only be made by the tangata whenua"**.

Tangata Whenua is not approached to complete an assessment of the site.

FEBRUARY 2020

Clough and Associates produce a further archaeological assessment of Mataharehare for the Ministry which includes the results of GPR and magnetometer surveys. The report **confirms that a historic road/track will be destroyed by the construction** and that it is possible that remnants of the Kilbride home are present beneath the compacted layer of fill.

Tangata Whenua is not approached to complete its own assessment of the site.

18 MARCH 2020

Resource consent is granted.

17 NOVEMBER 2020

Waitemata Local Board grants landowner authority in **a 3:4 decision.**

MARCH 2018

The Ministry **determines that the memorial should be sited in Auckland** and contacts the Auckland Council to find a site.

5 JULY 2018

The Ministry advises Erebus families that their feedback would determine site selection.

14 AUGUST 2018

Colmar Brunton Survey results returned.

The results show that the Erebus Families **want a quiet and secluded south facing site. They do not want picnicking or other activities nearby.**

17 AUGUST 2018

Boffa Miskell assessment of Mataharehare provided to the Ministry.

This expert report **does not consider Mataharehare to be an appropriate site for the memorial.**

The report also considers that the **cultural significance of the site needs to be understood through consultation with mana whenua.**

The Ministry does not consult mana whenua.

9 OCT 2018

An email from Auckland Council to the Ministry states that: **"We have a problem.** The Board have advised that any report dealing with landowner consent for the memorial **needs to include confirmation that Ngati Whatua support the concept."**

On receipt of this email the Ministry determine that they will contact Ngati Whatua **"with the aim of securing agreement ahead of the meeting"**

6 NOVEMBER 2018

Ministry seeks **expressions of interest for the design** without providing details of the Site.

16 NOVEMBER 2018

The Ministry **announces that the memorial will be sited at Mataharehare**

25 NOVEMBER 2018

Expressions of interest for design close. Only 33 submissions are received.

18 DECEMBER 2018

Ministry provides six shortlisted designs to Erebus Families for feedback. **Only 54% of Erebus Families respond.**

5 APRIL 2019

Prime Minister announces the winning design.

26 AUGUST 2019

The Ministry declines Ngati Whanaunga's offer to complete a review.

Deadline for wider mana whenua feedback.

9 SEPTEMBER 2019

Anne Coney sends letter to Waitemata Local Board **requesting consultation with the public as required under the Local Government Act.**

17 SEPTEMBER 2019

Waitemata Local Board meeting with public submissions allowed. Board determines that it will allow wider public consultation.

28 NOVEMBER 2019

40th Anniversary of the Erebus disaster and original deadline for construction.

3 DECEMBER 2019

Waitemata Local Board meeting. A petition against the site is presented. The Ministry advise that they are withdrawing their application for landowner consent until resource consent and heritage consent has been granted.

4 MARCH 2020

Auckland Council determines that the Resource Consent application will proceed on a **non-notified basis.**

This means that there is no public hearing on the resource consent application and no opportunity for the public to be heard on the application.

7 SEPTEMBER 2020

Heritage New Zealand grants archaeological authority. Heritage New Zealand **is not provided with February 2020 Clough & Associates report, only the limited December 2019 report.** Further, Heritage New Zealand was **not able to review the resource consent application following the non-notified proceeding.**