



“Heritage On The Edge”

**Mo tuku iho I runga
I te mata**

**ICOMOS NZ AGM
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27-29 October 2017

Hamilton Kirikiriroa

The theme of ICOMOS NZ's 2017 AGM weekend is "Heritage On The Edge".

This year's conference aims to increase awareness about heritage places and ideas that are on the periphery of our attention as practitioners, or which lie at the margins in other ways.

The heritage involved may be physically 'on the edge' – for example, situated around the edges of New Zealand in inter-tidal zones or underwater, or at the fringes of settlements, complexes or individual places. Or it may be subject to lesser focus for alternative reasons, as with recent fabric, 'uncomfortable' heritage and ephemeral or informal remains (such as graffiti or temporary 'fixes'). Alternatively, the heritage might be liminal in other ways, for example at the boundary of planning zones or jurisdictions; or at the threshold of change. Explorations could include those related to communities that are themselves at the margins.

The theme also embraces notions of 'cutting edge', encouraging discussion of new ideas, approaches and technology that have yet to make their way into mainstream activity. Consideration could be particularly given to methods that lie at the intersection between disciplinary spheres, or which otherwise encourage cooperation and knowledge across boundaries. In New Zealand, there is special value in exploring approaches taken within both Te Ao Māori and the Pākehā world.



Programme overview

Friday 27 October	
7.00pm	Welcome function in association with NZ Heritage Planners
Saturday 28 October	
8.30am-9.00am	Registration & coffee
9.00am-12.30pm	Papers, including Keynote Speaker
12.30pm-1.00pm	Lunch
1.00pm-2.00pm	Riverside & inner city walk
2.00pm-3.00pm	Papers
3.00pm-3.30pm	Afternoon tea
3.30pm-4.30pm	AGM
4.30pm-6.00pm	ICOMOS NZ Working Groups networking
6.00pm	Conference dinner
Sunday 29 October	
9.00am-10.00am	Papers
10.00am-10.30am	Morning tea
10.30am-1.30pm	Fieldtrip, including lunch
1.30pm-3.00pm	Papers
3.00pm	End of conference
3.00pm-4.00pm	Board meeting

Note that number for this year's AGM are limited due to space constraints at the venue.

No late registrations or walk-ups will be accepted!

Conference Venue

The conference venue is The Bank, corner of Hood St and Victoria St, central Hamilton. This venue is a converted heritage building. The former Bank of New Zealand is one of the oldest places in Hamilton [1879] and was the first building to be protected by order to save it from becoming a car park in the 1980s.

Its website records its history:

Before construction of a bridge in 1879, the bank building held a prominent position in the new town, immediately above the Ferry landing.

The corner of Hood and Victoria Streets has been known as "Bank Corner" for many years. The bank was the centre of town well into the 1930's until the city's commercial focus shifted northwards with the city's growth and it played a large part in the city being developed on the west side of the river, rather than the east. E. Mahoney and Son designed many of the BNZ buildings throughout New Zealand. Many of the designs credited to Edward Mahoney after 1876 may well have been the work of his son Thomas, so this would include the BNZ building in Hamilton.

The builder, Edward Messange of Hamilton who also built the BNZ in Te Awamutu began construction on April 9 1877 and completed the BNZ in late March 1878. Trading began in early April 1878.

The cost of the building was 3900 pounds. This greatly exceeded Edwards tender of 2769 pounds 10 shillings, and probably contributed to his eventual bankruptcy.

The design aided in making a statement about the confidence in the economic future of Hamilton. Apparently well founded, this confidence has been influential in Hamilton's development into the city it is now.

Friday night function

The heritage planners from NZ's city, district and regional councils will be meeting in Hamilton the week prior to the AGM weekend. The planners are warmly invited to join us for the weekend, and to offer papers.

On Friday night we are having a joint drinks function with the planners.

The venue is The Bank, corner of Hood St and Victoria St, central Hamilton (same venue as the conference).

This function will be partially sponsored, and there will be a cash bar.

Conference dinner

Saturday 28 October, drinks from 6pm, dinner from 7pm

Dinner venue is Palate Restaurant, 20 Alma St, central Hamilton about 15 minutes' walk from the conference venue. We will meet for drinks and then have a plated sit-down meal.

This venue was the 1930s Hamilton Borough Council building, close to the Waikato River.

Conference fieldtrips

Two fieldtrips are planned:

Saturday 28 October, 1pm-2pm

This hour long walk will traverse the river edge and the CBD area of Hamilton. It will look at development of a settlement on the edge – on the edge of a river, on the edge of a major farming district, on the edge of a rapidly changing economic base, and on the edge of a changing identity.

Sunday 29 October, 10.30am-1.30pm

'On the edge- Waikato heritage'

A railway town lost in a city

A 1950s Mormon community under heritage demolition

A rural town on the edge of the Waipa River at the intersection of cultures and the Waikato Land Wars.

The field trip will visit heritage on the edge. Initially starting in the city of Hamilton we will travel through the Frankton NZ Railway Settlement Conservation Area - a planned railway 'garden suburb' once part of the town of Frankton. Then onto the Latter Day Saints rural subdivision of 'Temple view'- a 1950s Mormon planned town and New Zealand Temple now part of Hamilton under rapid change and demolition.

At Te Pahu we'll visit Homewood- a 1830s farm which includes 1842 trees. And then back over the Waipa south to Alexandra [Pirongia] – between pa, redoubts and a militia town on the edge of the Waipa River.

We'll have a short walk and a quick lunch at Pirongia.

Lead by Laura Kellaway, John P Adam and Ann McEwan.

Waipa Historian Alan Hill will give a field trip paper on Sunday morning at Pirongia to set the context.

Bus leaves from the conference venue.



Accommodation

There are numerous accommodation options in Hamilton's CBD close to the venue

Hotels:

- Hamilton City Oaks (also known as the VR Hotel), 237 Victoria St
- Novotel Hamilton Tainui, 7 Alma St
- Ibis Hamilton Tainui, 18 Alma St
- Sudima Hamilton, 287 Victoria St
- Quest Hamilton, London St
- Quest on Ward, Ward St

Motels:

- There are numerous motels along Ulster St – Victoria St (Hamilton's main road becomes Ulster St at its north end). Ulster St is about a 10 min drive or a 30min walk from the conference venue

Backpackers:

- Backpackers Central Hamilton, 846 Victoria St
- Eagles Nest Backpackers
- Hamilton City Oaks

Map

