

TŪPUNA MAUNGA WEDDINGS POLICY

Policy

- 1. The Tūpuna Maunga Authority has adopted a policy that
 - a. All weddings to be held on Tūpuna Maunga require a permit from the Tūpuna Maunga Authority
 - b. All weddings on Tūpuna Maunga must be held in one of six designated locations on three Tūpuna Maunga (see Attachment A).
- 2. The policy does not affect any wedding held as an "Authorised Cultural Activity" pursuant to Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau Collective Redress Act 2014.

Background

- 3. The Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau Collective Redress Act 2014 legislated the transfer of ownership of 14 Tūpuna Maunga to Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau (the 13 hapū/iwi of Tāmaki Makaurau).
- 4. The Act establishes and appoints the Maunga Authority as the administering body for the Tūpuna Maunga under the Reserves Act 1977. In exercising its powers and carrying out its functions, the Maunga Authority must have regard to the spiritual, ancestral, cultural, customary, and historical significance of the Tūpuna Maunga to Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau.
- 5. The Tūpuna Maunga Authority is made up of 6 Mana Whenua representatives, 6 Auckland Council representatives and 1 non-voting Crown member. As the administering body, the Tūpuna Maunga Authority is responsible for decision-making and the governance of the Tūpuna Maunga and can implement its own policies concerning memorials and plaques on the Maunga.
- 6. The Policy applies to the Tūpuna Maunga being:
 - Te Ara Pueru/Te Pane-o-Mataaho/Mangere Mountain
 - Matukutūruru/Wiri Mountain
 - Maungakiekie/One Tree Hill
 - Maungarei/Mount Wellington
 - Maungawhau/Mount Eden
 - Maungauika/North Head
 - Ōwairaka/Te Ahi-kā-a-Rakataura/ Mount Albert
 - Öhinerau/Mount Hobson
 - Ōhuiarangi/Pigeon Mountain
 - Ōtāhuhu/Mount Richmond



- Pukewīwī/Puketāpapa/Mount Roskill
- Te Kōpuke/Tītīkōpuke/Mount St John
- Takarunga/Mount Victoria
- Te Tātua a Riukiuta/Big King.

Rationale

- 7. The purpose of the policy is to protect the sanctity of the Tūpuna Maunga by stopping unrestricted ceremonial use and to develop a long-term income stream to support the health and well-being of the Maunga.
- 8. The Authority administers the Tūpuna Maunga under the Reserves Act 1977 and pursuant to Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau Collective Redress Act 2014. The Hauraki Gulf Marine Park Act 2000 is also relevant.
- 9. Section 109(2) of Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau Collective Redress Act 2014 requires the Authority to have regard to the spiritual, ancestral, cultural, customary, and historical significance of the Maunga to Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau and that the Tūpuna Maunga is held in trust for Ngā Mana Whenua and the other people of Auckland.
- 10. The Tūpuna Maunga Authority's Integrated Management Plan (IMP) was adopted by the Authority in terms of Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau Collective Redress Act 2014 and the Reserves Act 1977. The Integrated Management Plan describes a series of "Values" and "Pathways" that guide all activities on the Tūpuna Maunga. The primary focus of the IMP is to protect the health and well-being of the Tūpuna Maunga. The "protection and enhancement of the mauri and wairua of the Tūpuna Maunga is paramount" (p57).
- 11. The policy is designed to align with the following Maunga values:
 - a) Wairuatanga / Spiritual. Relevant pathways for aligning to this value include: 1. Treat gently, and 2. Treat the Maunga as taonga tuku iho – treasures handed down the generations.
 - b) Takotoranga Whenua / Landscape. Relevant pathways for aligning to this value include: 1. Protecting the integrity of the landscape of the Tūpuna Maunga, and 2. Preserve the visual and physical integrity of the Maunga as landmarks of Tāmaki.
 - c) Whai Rawa Whakauka / Economic / Commercial. Relevant pathways for aligning to this value include: 1. Explore alternative and self-sustaining funding opportunities.



Implementation

- 12. Management will regulate booking arrangements to ensure the 6 sites are well managed and do not conflict with other weddings or events.
- 13. Permits may be refused at the discretion of management and may include any conditions necessary to protect the health and well-being of the Maunga.
- 14. Management will apply the fees as per the Fees Schedule previously adopted by the Tūpuna Maunga Authority.

Definitions

15. In this policy "Weddings" means one-off marriage ceremonies and events held by private parties (couples getting married) and does not include commercial wedding planners or businesses conducting or managing weddings.



