
Submission on District Plan, Mackenzie District Council for Plan Change 28 – Historic Heritage

From:-

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Relevant Heritage Experience:-

*Recognised the importance of retaining the **original church** at Burkes Pass.
(Now a **Cat 1** Heritage NZ)

<https://www.heritage.org.nz/list-details/1967/Listing>



*Founding Trustee of Burkes Pass Heritage Trust until present (25years)

*For 50 yrs I lived in the **Mt. Cook Road Board Building** (Former) (Considered a legacy of the role of **Burkes Pass** in NZ local government).

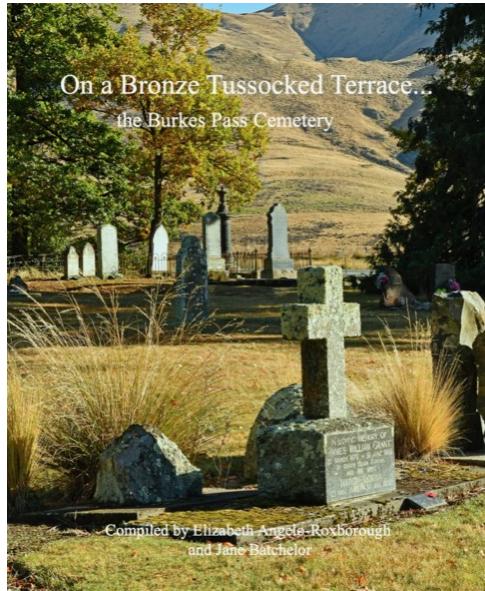
*I prepared its application to Heritage NZ (Now a **Cat. 2 + Blue Plaque.**)

[https://www.heritage.org.nz/list-details/9527/Mount%20Cook%20Road%20Board%20Building%20\(Former\)](https://www.heritage.org.nz/list-details/9527/Mount%20Cook%20Road%20Board%20Building%20(Former))



*Identified the value of the retaining the original **Burkes Pass school** and helped save it from destruction (with family and friends).

* Researched and co-authored “On a Bronze Tussock Terrace.....**The Burkes Pass Cemetery**



*A 14 year involvement with **The Southern Heritage Trust** - successful in retaining **Dunedin's** historic buildings and sites.

SUBMISSION

Submission is for Plan Change 28 – Historic Heritage



The Mackenzie District Plan Review Historic Heritage Assessments recommends 9 items.

Top of his list is :

'Proposed *Heritage Overlay*: 1) Burkes Pass Township '

Richard Knott was asked to assess whether Burkes Pass should be identified as a **HERITAGE PRECINCT** in the District Plan

He recommended **YES**

This seems to have been ignored or at best overlooked by the Mackenzie District Council.

The question is, **why contract and pay a highly qualified, experienced person* to give an assessment - then ignore it?**

Who makes such decisions? How much did the Assessment Cost? What would ratepayers think of such use of their rates?

It's has been said that **Otago** councils are progressive, have a vision for the future, and support the economic well-being of their communities by creating **HERITAGE PRECINCTS** at **St Bathans, Clyde, Old Cromwell, Ophir, Naseby and Arrowtown**. Aren't the Mackenzie District Council progressive?

The Mackenzie District Council already has such a unique township in their midst- at **Burkes Pass**.

The Report states that Burkes Pass

** has high **historical and social** significance.*

has high **cultural and spiritual significance.*

** has high **architectural and aesthetic** significance.*

** high **technological and craftsmanship** significance..*

high **archaeological and scientific significance.*

Please do not treat this Assessment as insignificant. **The Mackenzie District Council had its very origins at Burkes Pass**

This is your opportunity to create a complete **HERITAGE PRECINCT** in your District Plan. Please consider this.

Mrs E Angelo-Roxborough
January 18th 2025

NB

I support the detailed Submissions from Graham Batchelor and Jane Batchelor. I also congratulate them for their consistent and intensive efforts for Burkes Pass over many years.

* **Richard Knott**....has worked in the areas of urban design, planning, heritage and special character for over 33 years. Holds post graduate qualifications in all of these areas.

- + Undertook Planning Institute of Australia training in Landscape and Visual Assessment and subsequently authored landscape and visual assessment reports.
- + Established own company and consultant to local government and private clients across New Zealand on a wide range of schemes, from single dwellings to large masterplans.
- + Recent projects include designing and authoring masterplans for a 65ha site at Foxton Beach (approximately 600 lots), for Ōpōtiki Town Centre and for Ōpōtiki Harbour and Wharf.
- + Independent Planning Commissioner on Hearing Panels for a number of **Councils, including Hamilton City Council, Whangarei District Council, Tauranga City Council, Taupo District Council, South Wairarapa District Council and Auckland Council.**
- + On Hearings Panel for the **Auckland Council** Intensification Planning Instruments Plan Changes, and related Regional Policy Statement and Plan Changes to the Auckland Unitary Plan.

I acknowledge that the information above and all other information provided in this submission will be made publicly available. **I acknowledge**

Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission? I do / **I do not**

If others make a similar submission would you be prepared to consider presenting a joint case with them at any hearing? I would / **I would not**
