

13 March 2018

Jamie Jacobs
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Dear Jamie,

Re: Proposed Listing of Teachers' Training College Former - Donald Street, Karori

Thank you for your letter of 13 February 2018 regarding the proposed addition of the Former Wellington Teachers' Training College to the New Zealand Heritage List.

This letter requests Heritage New Zealand suspends the current listing process to enable the establishment of a collaborative partnership between Heritage New Zealand, Ryman Healthcare and the Council. Through an integrated and collaborative masterplan approach, I expect that the outcomes of this will be the protection and appropriate utilisation of important buildings on the site, while at the same time identifying areas of the site where Ryman can implement and develop their property as a full-service retirement village.

It is regrettable that over the more recent history of the site that an integrated and masterplan approach has not been pursued to realise the best outcome for the site and the broader community, including recognition of the site's heritage value. We believe that this opportunity is not lost, if both HNZ and Ryman's were willing to suspend current plans and enter into an agreement to develop an agreed masterplan, which satisfies all needs and aspirations for the site.

If you are agreeable to suspending the listing process I will set up a meeting with all interested parties with the view to agreeing a terms of reference, which could include the development of a masterplan for the site. I see this as a very high priority for the above reasons, as well as being a key implementation project to help deliver on the recently developed Karori Community Plan.

Please also find attached the Mayor's response to a 21 February 2018 letter from the Wellington Architectural Centre, who requested the immediate application of a heritage order on the site.

I would be happy to meet with you to discuss proposal further. I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevin Lavery". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Kevin Lavery
Chief Executive