Submission form for the public consultation

Absolutely Positively **Wellington** City Council
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Commemorative Policy Review 2023

We're keen to hear from you about the proposed Commemorative Policy 2023 as discussed in the Statement of Proposal.

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Your details

All fields marked with an asterisk (*) are required.

Name*
Suburb
Phone/mobile
Email *This is so we can confirm your submission and update you about the outcome*
I am making this submission: ☐ as an individual ☐ on behalf of an organisation. Organisation's name:
I would like to make an oral submission to the Councillors ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged:

1. Policy objective

To provide clarity and help ensure effective and efficient decision-making, we propose to update the objective of the Policy to: "provide clear guidance for the Council to make decisions in relation to commemorative requests in public places".

	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Neutral	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Do you support or oppose the proposed objective? (Choose one option)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose the proposed Policy objective:						

We also propose to remove '**management of requests for ash scattering and interring**' as a Policy objective. It is proposed these activities will be managed under the Cemeteries Management Plan 2021.

	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Neutral	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Do you support or oppose *'management of requests for ash scattering and interring'* as a policy objective? (Choose one option)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose removing the objective to manage requests for scattering and interring ashes from the Policy:						

2. Removal of ash scattering and interment of ash and other human remains from the Policy

The Council proposes to remove scattering and interment (to place remains (ash or body) into a grave) activities from the Policy. These activities will instead be managed under the Cemeteries Management Plan 2021. Guidance will be developed to refer people to the appropriate cemetery contacts and support people undertaking these activities.

	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Neutral	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Do you support the removal of the ash scattering and interment of ash and other human remains from the Policy? (Choose one option)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this proposal:						

3. Do you support or oppose the following proposed Policy principles to guide decision-making?

Guiding Principle	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Neutral	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Public places are for the public: Public places belong to the public and should be mainly used for public enjoyment as part of our life. Commemorative activities in public places will be carefully managed, so these, essentially private, activities will not compromise public enjoyment and use of these places.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Connection to Wellington City: Commemorative activities should help tell stories about the shared history, geography, and both indigenous and post-colonial heritage of Wellington. Public places will only be made available to those requests that have a strong and immediate connection to Wellington City.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Community wellbeing: It is recognised that historical connections are part of or contribute to community wellbeing and social cohesion, including our sense of identities and belonging. Memorials should be representative of the community and tell a multi-faceted history and be inspirational for our future generations.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Mana whenua representation: The Council recognises the special interests of mana whenua in public places, particularly the importance of nurturing a spiritual connection of all living things by preserving the mana and mauri (life force) of the environment and supporting the natural balance of Te Taiao. The Council will honour mana whenua views in the decision-making process in relation to commemorative activities.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose these guiding principles:						

4. Establishing a decision-making panel

The Council proposes to establish an internal panel to review complex and significant memorial requests (a request requiring the input of multiple interested parties and specialists, and affecting multiple communities) to ensure consistent decision-making.

	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Neutral	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Do you support the establishment of an internal panel to review complex and significant memorial requests?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this proposal:						

5. Other feedback

Please provide any further comments you have on the Statement of Proposal. If required, please use additional paper for your feedback.

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