

## Pauatahanui Village History Trail

In 2009, the Pauatahanui Village Plan was developed following wide public consultation initiated by Porirua City Council in conjunction with the Pauatahanui Residents Association. As part of the Village Plan the local community approved a Village History Trail. Through the Council's Village Planning Program, the Residents Association has been working with PCC on the Village History Trail, and is pleased to inform you that this project is now under way.

Pauatahanui is already part of Porirua's Heritage Trail and the Te Ara Piko Pathway and it is hoped that the Village History Trail will complement these, highlighting the richness of Pauatahanui's history and raising awareness of the local sites of historic importance.

The new Introductory Board for the History Trail will replace the board that is currently situated at the entrance to the Wildlife Reserve. It will be in a similar style to the one recently installed at the Public Burial Ground alongside St Albans Church and will incorporate the red corrugated iron which has been a feature of the old buildings in village for many years. See below.



Existing Heritage Trail Introductory board



Public Burial Ground information board

The new board will be built on Council road reserve land just before the entrance into the Wildlife Reserve, a location chosen because of its central position in the Village. Protective bollards will be incorporated into the design to protect the entranceway to the Reserve.

The new Introductory Board will contain a map of the Village History Trail, Heritage Trail information and the first of a series of 10-12 history panels.

The remaining history panels will be located through the village, close to the public footpath. They will be mounted on corten steel uprights (140cm x 30cm x 1.2cm) attached to a concrete footing. This design has been chosen for three main reasons.

1. To reflect the rural nature of the area
2. To be modern looking
3. To take up minimal space

Below are examples of a similar style information panels.



Each panel will contain an image and accompanying text which will highlight the historical interest of the site. They will be positioned to maximise public safety and will not be lit up.

If you have any questions or you would like more information please do not hesitate to contact the PRA by emailing [pauatahanuieresidents@gmail.com](mailto:pauatahanuieresidents@gmail.com).