

Number 001

Address	Corner of Bledisloe and Kakamutu Streets.
Tree Name	Sweet chestnut (<i>Castanea sativa</i>)
ID number	001
Dimensions (HxGxSpread)	19.5 x 5.4 x 25.0

Condition Evaluation						
Points	0-3	4-9	10- 15	16 – 21	21 - 27	Score
Form	Poor	Moderate	Good	Very good	Specimen	15
Occurrence	Predominant	Common	Infrequent	Rare	Very rare	15
Vigour and Vitality	Poor	Some	Good	Very good	Excellent	15
Function	Minor	Useful	Important	Significant	Major	3
Age (years)	10+	20+	40+	80+	100+	15
Subtotal Points						63

Amenity Evaluation						
Points	0-3	4-9	10- 15	16 – 21	21 - 27	Score
Stature (m)	3 - 8	9 to 14	15 to 20	21 to 26	27+	15
Visibility (km)	0.5	1.0	2.0	4.0	8.0	9
Proximity	Forest	Parkland	Group 10+	Group 3+	Solitary	15
Role	Minor	Moderate	Important	Significant	Major	21
Effect on Climate	Minor	Moderate	Important	Significant	Major	3
Subtotal Points						63

Notable Evaluation						
Recognition Points	Local 0-3	District 4-9	Regional 10- 15	National 16 – 21	International 21 - 27	Score
Stature						
Feature	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Form	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Historic						
Age 100+	Local	District	Regional	National	International	21
Association	Local	District	Regional	National	International	21
Commemoration	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Remnant	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Relict	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Scientific						
Source	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Rarity	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Endangered	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Subtotal Points						42

Total Points (sum of the Condition, Amenity and Notable categories)	168
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Notes for tree 001

Location of Tree(s) on Site	On the street frontage, corner of Bledisloe and Kakamutu Streets
Owners' Name	Otorohanga DC
Date of Inspection	3 November 08
TREE SPECIES	Sweet chestnut (<i>Castanea sativa</i>)

PROPOSED BY: several individuals, including S. Beveridge; M. Phillips; N. Owen; B. McFee; N. Jensen; L. Hancock.

COMMENTS/REASON FOR PROPOSAL: the tree is an icon/historical tree/good specimen/planted by Lord Bledisloe 1930.

ASSESSORS' NOTES:

Threats

Several sweet chestnut trees have died suddenly in the Waikato in recent years; this is thought to be caused by a soil borne root fungus. It is not a common occurrence and the tree is not a high risk, as it is quite isolated from other trees.

Roading and resealing – all new earthworks should be undertaken in association with arboricultural input.

Potential for new development nearby.

Low risk

Suggested care and maintenance.

Consider planting shrubs around the base to enhance soil quality. Dead wood and reshaping as needed. Remove the epicormic growths from stem. Routine inspections.

Photographs for Tree 002



Figure 1. Ground conditions around the base of the Bledisloe Chestnut.



Figure 2. The Bledisloe Chestnut