

Grave of James Mackay Esq, Paeroa



Location: Pukerimu Cemetery, Paeroa

Heritage Status

Historic Places Trust Registration Number:

Historic Places Trust Category:

HDC Heritage Category: B - Heritage Feature. Regional or Sub-Regional Significance

Other:

Physical Description: [not assessed] Gravesite and headstone of James Mackay Esq, representative of the New Zealand Government.

Other known names:

Notable features:

Style:

Materials:

Date of Construction: 1912

History: James Mackay lived the last fourteen years of his life in Paeroa. He and his wife lived in a small cottage on the Puke Road farm of their daughter Mrs Brunskill. The Memorial tablet from the government was not put in place

District Plan Schedule

Number: HAU156

Heritage Category: B

Heritage Type:

- Wahi Tapu
- Cultural Landscape
- Building
- Group of Buildings
- Structure
- Monument
- Historic Place
- Archaeological Site
- Other

Date Period:

1910-1940

Significance:

- Archaeological
- Architectural
- Cultural
- Historic
- Scientific
- Technological

Thematic Context

- Maori
- Early Settlement
- Industry
- Extraction
- Forestry
- Agriculture
- Transport
- Communication
- Commerce
- Residential
- Social/Cultural
- Civic
- Health
- Educational
- Church/yard
- Other

Historic Heritage Inventory



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until 1942. It was unveiled by James Thorn, M.P. of Thames, supported by Edwin Edwards, Mayor of Paeroa and Mr W H Taylor, a keen local historian, who recognised that a man who had played such a part in New Zealand history should not be unacknowledged by the New Zealand Government and citizens of Paeroa. In 1868 James Mackay, as the Civil Commissioner at Thames, was shown gold samples from Karangahake. Opening of the area for prospecting/mining and settlement was strongly opposed by the Iwi. James Mackay was instrumental in wearing down the resistance and forcing the Iwi into an agreement – Deed of Cession (18.2.1875) that granted the Crown leasehold mining rights over 326,358 hectares. Ohinemuri was proclaimed a goldfield on 3 March 1875. Mackaytown was named after him. James Mackay was also the first President of the Paeroa A&P Association 1898 - 1902 and took an interest generally in the affairs of Paeroa. He died in 1912.

Architect:

Designer:

Builder:

Engineer:

History of changes:

Condition: Good

Integrity: Substantially Intact

Current Uses: Gravestone

Former Uses:

Registered owner: Hauraki District Council

Legal Description: Pt Pukerimu 1

Reference Source: H Haysom

Associated Pictures:

