

# Work with local iwi

Early engagement ensured the appropriate protocols were considered, including blessing prior to works commencing, relationship/orientation of spaces, reference to mana, whenua narratives through the design of the whare, and pōwhiri for welcoming all new students and other formal occasions.

**Source:**

[Auckland Design Manual \(Auckland Council\)  
https://www.aucklanddesignmanual.co.nz/en/design-guidance/universal-design.html](https://www.aucklanddesignmanual.co.nz/en/design-guidance/universal-design.html)

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