



Location Heritage Trail Street Map, Lyon Street



School children visiting Temple Cottage and Police cells.



Police House - Venue Children's Art, Lyon Street.

Kihikihi 1830

A pleasant Maori village of the Ngati Maniapoto Wheat, potatoes, and extensive fruit orchards providing food shipments by canoe down Puniu river to Alexandra (Pirongia), thence by river barge to Auckland.

Rewi Maniapoto warrior Chief of Orakau Battle 1864, later lived in Kihikihi in a house provided by the Government alongside present Monument. Rata Hill Redoubt built for the Armed constabulary.

1875 Kihikihi sub-divided into 400 one acre lots for soldier settlement. Today a village of 1500 people 28km south of Hamilton, on busy main highway to Waitomo and south, is a service village to surrounding farms and large Waikeria prison institution. Further history at Te Awamutu Visitor Centre, Gorst Avenue and at Museum, Roche Street.

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KIHIKIHI

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Walking Trail

1. War Memorial Hall 1939-45. Built 1957. Clock made 1881. Relocated from Te Awamutu to Kihikihi 1960.
2. Alpha Hotel ... Built 1868, cost 1000 pounds. Featuring prints of Lindauer Maori Chiefs.
3. Anglican Church ... Built 1881 costing 300 pounds.
4. Two room Temple Cottage ... built 1866 on Alexandra Stockade Reserve.
5. Police House ... Built 1907 costing 700 pounds. Now featuring childrens art.
6. Ratatu Hill Redoubt ... Built 1864 after Orakau Battle.
7. Water Tower.
8. Town Hall ... Original built 1882 with 300 shares at 30/- each. Present Hall built 1904 after fire.
9. Star Hotel ... Built 1882 and opened 1883.
10. Rewi Maniapoto Memorial to Chief of Orakau Battle.
11. Presbyterian Church ... Built 1885, cost 300 pounds. Rebuilt 1923, after fire.
12. School ... First built 1873 in Lyon Street. New two room school built 1884 near cemetery. Burnt down 1938. Present school built 1952.
13. Cemetery ... Gazetted 1875 as Reserve, costing 250 pounds.
14. Domain ... 40 acres gazetted 1881 as Recreation Reserve. Grandstand built 1888 by C.T. Rickit.
15. Catholic Church site ... 1880. First Mission built at Rangiaowhia 1830's.

16. Major Jackson House ... Built 1879. Commander Forest Rangers Orakau Battle.

17. Alexandra Stockade Reserve ... Site of Military stables during 1860's.

- Note ... All streets named after Politicians and Military of the time.
 ... Kihikihi means the cicada (a winged insect).
 ... Trail distance - 2.5km.
 ... Internet website - www.teawamutu.co.nz
 ... Toilets at start point Memorial Hall, Lyon Street.
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