



**Minutes of a Hui-A-Iwi of the Ngātiwai Trust Board held at the Terenga Paraoa Marae, 10 Porowini Avenue, Whangarei on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2015 commencing at 10am**

**Present:** Haydn Edmonds, Kris MacDonald, Merepeka Henley, Kathy Pita, Gary Reti, Hori P Mahanga, Henry Murphy, Isha Waetford, Jim Smillie, Angeline Waetford, Moana MacDonald, Tania McPherson, Erica Wellington, Ken Kawiti, Toni-Marie Sweeney.

Attendance List attached.

**Apologies:** Max Thompson, Mylie George

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The Hui-A-Iwi commenced with a mihiwhakataua, karakia and mihi at approximately 10:25am followed by a short break and then reconvened at approximately 10:55am.

**Introduction:**

Haydn Edmonds announced the agenda for the Hui-A-Iwi which included up-date presentations as follows:

**Agenda:**

- Resource Management Unit (Clive Stone)
- Education (Erica Wellington)
- Finance (Angeline Waetford)
- Communications (Ken Kawiti)
- Registration Database (Moana MacDonald)
- Treaty Claims (Tania McPherson)
- General/Questions

Close with lunch at 1:00pm.

**Presentation - Resource Management Unit:**

Clive Stone spoke to the Resource Management Unit's presentation as follows:

**Recent Projects:**

- Fresh water Management
- Bio Security
- Local Territorial Authority
- Ngātiwai Kaitiaki Initiative (Pataka)

## Fresh Water Management:

- The National Freshwater (MFE) Wananga Tuhono at Te Wharewaka o Poneke, Wellington 23<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> June 2015.
- Discussions took place on how to improve the way the Ministry for Environment engages with tangata whenua on policy development around how to support iwi and hapu participating in resource management, particularly implementing the freshwater reforms.

## Bio Security:

- Ngatiwai has been a part of kauri dieback group (KDG) since 2009 when it was first identified on Aotea, at Glenbervie and Punaruku.
- The management group made up of DoC, MPI bio-security, Regional Councils and Iwi/Manawhenua was set up to collectively manage the threat that the disease was having on kauri.
- Our role on the Management Group is to articulate Ngatiwai views and values, improve our understanding of the processes, engage with research and keep our people informed on current projects.

## Local Territorial Authority:

- **Whangarei District Council**
  - GIS Database
  - Resource Consents
  - Notification/Consultation
- **Auckland Unitary Plan**
  - Iwi Management Plan Review
- **Northland Regional Council**
  - Bio Security
    - Kauri Die Back
    - Ginger Infestation

## Ngatiwai Kaitiaki Initiative:

- On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April we held a Kaitiaki Hui at the NTB which we'd invited Kaitiaki and Kaumatua from all throughout the Ngatiwai Rohe and the turnout was great.

We had over 30 people in attendance which included representatives from not only our Ngatiwai marae but also others such as Pehiaweri Marae, Otangarei Marae, Terenga Paraoa, Whakapara, Pipiwai and Te Waiariki.

- The reason for this hui was to pull all those whom are issuing customary permits for Kaimoana harvesting within the Ngatiwai rohe into the same room to have a

“kanohi ki te kanohi whakawhitiwhiti korero” and to table, discuss and address any kaimoana, kaitiaki issues there may be amongst our Ngatiwai whanau.

- During the hui there were a number of issues raised, discussed and addressed but the overall motive was to re-establish the whakawhanaungatanga with our whanau, hapu and marae so that we may devise a system to be utilised by all for the benefit of our people and Rohe-moana.

### Questions/Answers:

Ngaio McGee and Marie Tautari enquired regarding Fresh Water Management. Is NTB involved in the claim made by Maori Council? *Clive Stone confirmed yes, but not all Maori have the same consistent view about the ownership for Maori.*

*Clive continued a good example in the north is Poroti whereby Council have made all the decisions.*

Marie Tautari enquired. What is the Maori Council's view? Does the Maori Council regard Maori as owners? –

Elvis Reti enquired. How are Iwi and hapu relations with Council? *Clive acknowledged there is still more work to be done, however the Resource Management Unit relationship with Council is good.*

Elvis continued has there been any key Leaders identified? *Clive mentioned some provide good advice.*

Rowan Tautari commented regarding the Resource Management consents process. The Ngatiwai Trust Board Resource Management Unit has carried out consent processes but not involved the ahi-kaa who is most affected.

How does the RMU intent to correct this process? *Clive confirmed the RMU engages with the Trustee of the marae for that particular area and informs them of the consent application. The marae Trustee should take the application to the marae committee and whanau.*

Rowan suggested that the resource consent process be placed on the NTB website. *Clive confirmed the process is available on the Councils website along with all applications for public record.*

Lynda Sadler added. I would have thought NTB would make the process available for us.

Enid Maloney commented regarding the timing of the hui-a-iwi. She continued there is a hui being held at Tuparehui today so whanau from there are unable to attend.

Elvis enquired is a monthly report given to marae? *It was confirmed the RMU provides a monthly report to the Board.*

Aperahama Kerepeti-Edwards commented regarding the Kauri die back. Has something been put in place to stop it from spreading to the Poor Knights and other Ngatiwai moutere? *Clive explained these concerns have been raised with Council.*

Ngaio commented has NTB been involved with MPI regarding genetically modified trees?  
*Clive confirmed RMU is working on it and a submission opposing it was done.*

### Presentation - Ngatiwai Education:

Erica Wellington spoke to the Ngatiwai Education presentation as follows:

### Reporting - May, June and July 2015:

- Revised strategic plan
- Changes in staffing
- Completion of some contracts
- Beginning of new contracts

### Research Unit:

- Youth Suicide Prevention
- Whanau hui
- Kaumatua guidance
- World War II commemorative book about Ngatiwai Servicemen and women
- Principal Researcher
- Dr Lily George, Te Kapotai Ngatiwai, Massey University

### Education Services:

- **Early Childhood:**
  - Increasing Participation
  - 30 more mokopuna enrolled in ECE
  - Professional development for ECE teachers in reo and tikanga
  - Worked in 20 centres and kindies
- **Schools:**
  - Science academy for year 9 students
  - Supporting primary schools with reo and tikanga professional development for teachers
  - Preparing and providing resources
- **Parental Education:**
  - Nga Tau Miharo – Incredible years for parents who want their tamariki to have great whanau support throughout their lives
- **WEAP's:**
  - Whanau Education Action Plans
  - Training held for Pehiaweri Marae
  - Volunteers to work with taitamariki and whanau to set goals
- **Tertiary Developing courses for NZQA approval to deliver 2016**
  - Road Code and learner Licence
  - Tourism Maori
  - Tirohanga Maori
  
  - Te Ngutu Awa
  - NZ Diploma in Business

### Where to next?

- Finalise strategic plan ensuring it matches the Trust Board's plan
- Continue to consult whanau and kaumatua
  
- Science Academy continues
- Research Unit continues
- PTE Development continues
- Parent and WEAP's Programmes continues

### Research:

- Youth Suicide prevention is to be focussed on the way forward – He Ara Toiora
- Build Ngatiwai research capacity and capability
  
- Liz Sugrue will join the team as the drama expert

### Education Services:

- **Early Childhood:**
  - Specific Early Learning Objectives – SELO – a tender to be allowed to work in more centres
  
- **School Sector:**
  - 190 tamariki and taitamariki
  - Help them reach national standards in literacy and numeracy
  - Get NCEA Level 2
  - Outside of school
  - In holidays weekends and after school

### Tertiary:

- Apiculture – beekeeping, honey product manufacturing, honey product
- Aquaculture – skills for working in the related production areas
- NZ Di Bus and Massey University degree
- Financial literacy
- Restricted licence

### Questions/Answers:

*Erica Wellington acknowledged Clive Stone and the RMU for their involvement with the Education Research Unit which is lead by Dr Lily George.*

Te Rahingahinga Reti insisted that tikanga is practiced when approaching and interviewing whanau about the commemorative book for returned servicemen and woman and that tikanga is also practiced throughout the book. *Erica Wellington confirmed that Paulette Wellington is working on the book with guidance from kaumatua.*

Ngaio McGee commented regarding Education Services that Child Youth and Family have facilities available to support with Education.

### Presentation – Finance:

Angeline Waetford spoke to the Finance presentation as follows:

## Finance – Reporting Period:

- **April – June 2015**
  - April 1 – Chief Financial Officer appointed
  - Acting CEO for 6 week period during April 2015 through to June 2015

## April 2015 – Financial Results:

- **Consolidated Financial Performance Summary – April 2015**
  - Actual versus Budget

(Refer to presentation for details)

## May 2015 – Financial Results:

- **Consolidated Financial Performance Summary – May 2015**
  - Actual versus Budget

(Refer to presentation for details)

## Treaty Claims Costs to Date:

- Total costs from 2013 to date \$683,806
- OTS funding received \$185,000.

(Refer to presentation for details)

## Aquaculture Settlement:

- Cost to date \$145,800
- Approximate Settlement Funds due
  - Northland Space \$ 500,00
  - Auckland Space \$3,000,00

(Refer to presentation for details)

## Questions/Answers:

Ngaio McGee enquired are there any other details about the aquaculture settlement? –

Elvis Reti enquired. How do we find out about the price fetched for assets sold, in particular the Ngatiwai Net and how much was spent the Ngatiwai Net? *Angeline Waetford confirmed the price fetched for the Ngatiwai Net was approximately \$50k. However there information regarding what was spent on Ngatiwai Net was unavailable.*

*It was further explained that all this information has been provided to your Trustees. If you have concerns or questions enquire with you Trustee.*

Ngaio added the information should be provided at the AGM.

## Presentation – Communications:

Ken Kawiti spoke to the Communications presentation as follows:

### Current Activity for the Quarter:

- Draft Communications Strategy for 2015–2016
- Communication support to Treaty Claims
  - Finalising Communications and Engagement Plan 2014–2015 outputs and reporting to OTS
- Stories and panui, and e-newsletter
- Recruitment drive for communications resource person

### Draft Communications Plan 2015–2016:

- Grow a culture of communications
- Meet and address communications needs
- Raise the profile of Ngatiwai as an iwi outside of the rohe
- Improve stakeholder engagement
- Communications that reflect an open, honest and credible organisation
- Raise awareness and knowledge of issues relevant to Ngatiwai

### e-Newsletter

- **Te Tukaiaia – our stories**
- Continue to develop stories that have a connect and reflect Ngatiwai
- What's happening in and around Ngatiwai rohe

### Website and Social Media:

- **Continue to build content for the website**
  - Strategic development across all units in Ngatiwai Trust Board
  - Build and write content – script, photos and links
  - Face-book postings, panui, whakatauki, stories

### Next Steps:

- **Draft Communications Strategy 2015–2016**
  - Draft for Board comment and approval
  - Post approval develop annual plan
- **Current Priority**
  - Recruitment of a Communications Advisor

### Questions/Answers:

### Presentation – Registration Database:

Moana MacDonald spoke to the Registration Database presentation as follows:

### Background – Update:

- Care and management of the Registration Database and Members information
- Registration Forms

- Work Plan (care and management of database, the recording of accurate data, increasing numbers of registered members and reducing the number of members with no contact details)

### To Register or Update:

- **Contact**
  - Moana MacDonald
  - Toni-Marie Sweeney
  - Registration or Update forms, online or contact the office.

### Questions/Answers:

Rowan Tautari enquired. How does the Trust Board update information regarding deceased members? *Moana MacDonald confirmed we rely on whanau to inform us.*

Rowan commented there doesn't appear to be a second page to the registration form to note the removal of hapu. *Moana explained that particular form is for updates only the removal of the hapu section has been made on the registration form.*

*The word beneficiary has been replaced with member as per the Trust Deed.*

Elvis Reti enquired. If young people wanted to register but needed assistance with the whakapapa component on the form is someone available to do this? *Moana confirmed yes, more than happy to help if we can.*

Ngaio McGee enquired. Will copies of the hui notes be made available? *It was confirmed the notes will be available on the NTB website after Trustee sign-off.*

Bruce Davies enquired. Are we able to view our children's or whanau information and how can people update their information? *Moana explained as per the Trust Deed you can view your own information and dependent children that have been registered by you.*

*Whanau can update their information by contacting the office.*

Ngaio McGee enquired. Who at the Trust Board has access to the Registration Database? *Moana confirmed Trustees, CEO, Board Secretary and Database Administrator have full access and Unit Managers have view only.*

Ngaio McGee added can members contribute to the work-plan for the Registration Database? *Moana advised confirmed yes.*

Comments were made by Marie Tautari and Donna Tamaki that the NTB Trust Deed doesn't fairly represent members or Maori kaupapa. *Moana advised the Trust Deed is currently being reviewed.*

### Presentation – Treaty Claims:

Tania McPherson spoke to the Treaty Claims presentation as follows:

### The journey so far:

- March to July 2013 – Mandate strategy prepared
- August to November 2013 – Mandating strategy implemented



- December 2013 to June 2014 – Deed of mandate prepared
- July 2014 to July 2015 – Deed of mandate amended

### Where are we now?:

- **Independent Analysis and Response to Submissions**
  - Oct 2013 – Analysis of Mandating Process and Submissions
  - Nov 2014 – Analysis of DoM submissions
  - May 2015 – Further analysis of process and outputs to date

(Reports are available on the NTB website)

- **Amendments to the Deed of Mandate**
  - Parallel Process – Provision for this only if:
    - ALL WAI claimants agree and
    - NTB and the Crown agree to design
  - Two new positions on the TCC
    - Application process based on skills and experience
    - Applicants must have support from among WAI claimants, Hapu or Rangatahi
- **Improved Reporting**
  - Quality hui-a-iwi
  - Monthly Board Summaries
- **Two new WAI claims**
  - WAI 1148
  - WAI 1837

### Next Steps:

- **Terms of Negotiations**
  - Assuming Mandate is Endorsed by Crown
  - 3 month period (September – November?)
  - Enable and provide for supporting structures:
    - Kaumatua
    - Hapu/Marae
    - Research
    - Negotiators

### Questions/Answers:

Ngaio McGee commented that the parallel process on the presentation is not correct. Marie Tautari added the hearings process is about justifying the claim.

Elvis Reti added how do families with claims get their losses back?

Rowan Tautari enquired. How much did it cost for the independent analysis reports? How independent was the review and what level of information was provided to the Analyst?

*Tania McPherson advised the report costs are unavailable today and all communications and submissions were provided to the Independent Analyst.*

Rowan Tautari added. Does that include all information from hui? *Tania confirmed yes.*

Ngaio McGee enquired. Can we address any issues we find in the content of the Fathom Reports and have confirmation the issues raised will be rectified? –

Ngaio continued. Has the Treaty Claims Manager had access to the Registration Database? *Tania confirmed yes, but it has not been accessed for whakapapa purposes.*

*It was further explained by Kris MacDonald that Trustees have full access to the registration database. At the last hui-a-iwi you asked if Treaty Claims had accessed whakapapa for treaty purposes and the answer is no.*

Rowan Tautari commented regarding the Fathom Reports the purpose of hui-a-iwi is to provide members with a better opportunity to raise issues and receive an outcome or answers. *Angeline Waetford was able to access the NTB accounts on-line. It was confirmed since October 2014 a total of \$22,000 had been paid to Fathom Consultants.* Marie Tautari commented the 2<sup>nd</sup> report was not accurate, and a total of \$22,000 was paid for 3 reports. *Tania confirmed all the reports will be placed on the NTB website from this afternoon.*

Ngaio McGee requested that the notes from the previous hui-a-iwi be placed on the NTB website.

*Haydn Edmonds clarified the hui-a-iwi came out of a suggestion raised at an AGM.*

Elvis Reti commented regarding the Direct Negotiations process. In my submission I raised the issue that the fishing settlement required an independent review. I also had major concerns about the internal operations within the Trust Board such as projects being run with major losses, the accountant's bad behaviour and projects that the accountant and lawyer benefited from personally.

Our people want good leadership and I request an independent review of the Trust Board's past performance. The leadership has been lacking for the last 20 years.

Personal issues were raised about the Chairman.

*Haydn responded for 6 years you were in a position of responsibility as a Trustee however you didn't request anything and now you raise personal issues about me. I have no answers.*

Marie Tautari commented OTS wanted to discuss hapu with claimants but NTB has side lined it. *Haydn responded we've approached OTS regarding hapu and letters requesting engagement hui have been sent to hapu and kaumatua.*

Ngaio McGee added we had requested that the Legal Advisor and Accountants contracts be reviewed, we are satisfied that the Accountants was, however would the review have taken place if there wasn't disciplinary action taken against him for other matters.

Also there appears to be gaps missing in the last hui-a-iwi notes. *It was confirmed that the note would be placed on the NTB website.*

Carla Klink acknowledged the work being completed regarding the World War II servicemen and woman. Some of our whanau have not been included and would like to

be. *Paulette Wellington confirmed the book is only half completed at this stage; we have a dilemma that some whanau say yes and others no.*

Marie added regarding the World War II book. Why don't you extend it to include some of us that are still alive?

Carla Klink enquired. Does the PTE deliver its' own programmes and is it NZQA accredited? *Erica explained the programmes we are currently delivering are NZQA approved.*

Carla continued regarding the 3 scholarships, I tutor at Northtec we have approximately 20 Ngatiwai whanau who would like to further their studies. *Erica confirmed the 3 scholarships are given to us from Massey University.*

*Haydn added if you have a proposal around Education please forward it to us.*

Elvis Reti enquired. Are these programmes delivered throughout our rohe? *Erica responded not all, some of our people do not want us in their rohe.*

Elvis Reti continued. Do you think it's appropriate to engage with hapu regarding Education? –

Marie Tautari commented. When people ask that you not go into their area is there a reason at all? *Erica responded. Yes, for example Patuharakeke prefer Ngati Whatua.*

*Erica continued the Education Unit will carry out an independent analysis as part of our strategic planning.*

Marie Tautari added the Independent Analysis for the Treaty Claims only provides one view to OTS and some of its' quite dismissive. How do other people understand the feeling of another person experience? It shocks me that \$683,000 has been spent to get you this far in the process. If people had the right feeling about this process we wouldn't have to be here.

*Kris MacDonald responded, we asked about hapu, but you dismissed it.*

Marie Tautari added I'm not happy about the aquaculture settlement as well.

Ani Rahirahi commented we need good kaumatua leadership. Kaumatua should bring people together and should be here to support this kaupapa.

Sarah Burkhardt added kaumatua have been meeting. We will provide a list of kaumatua names to the Board to accompany Trustees when attending external functions.

Sarah continued kaumatua want to be recognised. We've also passed our resolutions to the Board regarding Te Reo and Tikanga and free reo classes will start on the 8<sup>th</sup> August.

Kathy Pita acknowledged the Chairman for all his work and the leadership he provides to the Trustees and for everyone who had presented. Kathy drew attention to the comment made about whanau from Tuparehuia not being at the Hui-a-Iwi she offered apologies on

their behalf but also added that there are several people here today representing Tuparehuia.

The hui was closed with a mihi and karakia from Aperahama Kerepeti-Edwards at approximately 1:25pm.

Moana MacDonald  
**Board Secretary**

Haydn Edmonds  
**Chairman**