



**Notes of the Ngātiwai Trust Board Hui A Iwi held at Paratene Te Manu Marae, Ngunguru  
on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2017 commencing at 9am**

**Present:** As per attendance sheets

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The hui-a-iwi commenced at approximately 9:00am with powhiri, mihi and karakia.

The following items were listed on the agenda for presentation and feedback:

**1.0 Agenda:**

- a) The Deputy Chairs briefing and review of last quarter
  - Scholarships
  - Kaumātua kapa haka
  - Hui A Iwi Booklets
- b) Marine and Coastal Area Act (Kris MacDonald)
- c) Overlapping Claims (Kris MacDonald)
- d) Kaipara Sands (Hori Parata)
- e) Education (Angeline Waetford)
- f) Te Kupenga Reo (Merepeka Henley)
- g) Oceans, Tutukaka (Phillip Ngawaka)
- h) Whakapaumahara Rebuild Fundraiser (Rowena Rata)
- i) Auckland Council Relationship Agreement and Capacity Contract (Kris MacDonald)
- j) Communications (Barry Caldwell)

**2.0 Deputy Chairs briefing and review of last quarter:**

The following updates were provided:

- a) **Scholarships:** - Phillip advised the scholarships open for registered members to apply, no one gets declined and all information is available on the Trust Board's facebook and website pages.
- b) **Kaumātua kapa haka:** - Our kaumātua travelled to Wellington to perform in the Te Papa, Matariki festival. This is the first time ever that a Taitokerau team has entered and overall it is something for Ngātiwai to celebrate.
- c) **Hui A Iwi Booklets:** - Board divisional updates have been provided in the handout booklets.

**2.1 Update MACCA, Kaipara Sands and Education:**

The following updates were provided:

- a) **MACCA:** - Kris provided an update regarding the MACCA applications. A number of whānau have lodged applications/submissions, NTB has done a blanket claim to cover off anything that has been missed out. This is purely a matter of protecting our rights. The application fees have been done. Tania McPherson is managing the process, we do have funding available to assist whānau. This is a work in progress so we will continue to keep everyone posted and updated.
- b) **Kaipara Sands:** - Hori Parata has been involved in the monitoring and renegotiation of the Kaipara Sands extraction, 12 years ago he negotiated a payment of .50c per cubic metre however now the

intention and negotiation is to amalgamate the 3 extraction companies and consents so there is only 2 organisational bodies dealing with things and to increase their royalty payment.

- c) Phillip acknowledged that Hori Parata is the perfect person to re-engage with this project on behalf of Ngātiwai.
- d) **Education:** - Angeline provided an overview of the Education Unit's contracts which are generally received from the Ministry of Education. A major contract is IMER which ends in December 2017 other contracts are Kokiritea Te Ora and Kamo High School, SELO, Pastoral care and Manaaki Marae but for now management is focussing on engaging with TEC to get the PTE operational. Angeline concluded I also had the privilege of travelling to Wellington with the Kaumātua Kapa Haka.
- e) Phillip acknowledged Huhana Lyndon for her recent appointment as GM for Te Matarau.

#### **Questions and Discussion:**

The following questions and discussion occurred:

- a) Tony Barber commented I have been involved in Kohanga Reo for some time now. Does the Trust Board support Kohanga Reo? We need to think seriously about it, so our mokopuna come out of early childhood teachings knowing all things Māori. I believe it's important that we have more Kohanga Reo.
- b) Phillip replied I am certain Trustees would be support of this, we can have our Reo me nga Tikanga group look into it.

#### **Update Te Kupenga Reo, Whakapaumahara rebuild, Oceans and Auckland Council Capacity Contract:**

The following updates were provided:

- a) **Te Kupenga Reo:** - Merepeka explained the first year of Te Kupenga Reo was to develop and design the programme, this year we have brought together a specialist team consisting of: Taipari, Joeann and Elliott who are delivering the program in the pilot areas of Whangaruru and Aotea. The TKR program is about succession planning, strengthening marae taumata and reo. We've taken TKR back to traditional or tawhito learning. Our first Te Raki noho will be held at Ngaiotonga on 4<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> August, followed by tutorials on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> August at the Trust Board and noho marae at Aotea on 26<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> August. At the moment members of our team are in Canada representing Ngātiwai at the WIPSY conference.
- b) Kathy explained my experience as a Trustee has been to learn, however of late I have been involved with the Education portfolio, the policy and Trust Deed review committees and Te Reo me nga Tikanga. What I have enjoyed about being involved with Education is watching our young people develop and achieve.  
Suie Rata queried what was the detail about the Trust review?
- c) Phillip clarified some of our beneficiaries have been reviewing the Board's Trust Deed.
- d) **Oceans:** - Phillip explained NTB is involved with the changing of the interior colour scheme we are looking to introducing a Ngātiwai theme. We met with the exterior colour consultant the other day he gave us a bit of background to the colours used. We'll look to providing you with his rational in the next newsletter.
- e) Rowena Rata suggested we have some many talented interior designers that are Ngātiwai, such as Parehuia Moore. Can we look to utilising them first?
- f) **Whakapaumahara Rebuild:** - Rowena acknowledged all those that attended and supported we had a lovely evening and look forward to organising our next event which will probably be a summertime concert.
- g) **Auckland Council Capacity Agreement:** – Kris explained because of our whakapapa with Aotea and Mahurangi Ngātiwai is included as 1 of the wider Auckland regions iwi. Recently we signed a relationship and capacity contract agreement which provides us with \$150k funding over 3 years to attend and participate in Auckland Council hui. Most of this funding will be used by the RMU.

### **2.3 Acknowledgements:**

- a) Huhana explained I would like to highlight and acknowledge other achievements, such as Hori Parata's leadership during the harvesting of the Tohora, acknowledgement also to our kaumātua kapa haka and a tribute to our taitamariki who were award recipients at recent Whangarei District Council awards.

### **Update – Treaty Claims, Overlapping Claims, Ngātiwai action and challenge to the Crown and NTB**

#### **Urgency Hearings:**

The following update was provided:

- a) **Overlapping Claims:** - Kris explained the Marutuahu overlapping claims will not be signed off as we have lodged an application with the Tribunal. The Crown has offered redress on Aotea to the Marutuahu Collective because they lost 100 people during the battle on Aotea. However in the court case of the 1990's Judge Spencer ruled that Ngāti Rehua were kaitiaki of Aotea. The problem with the redress the Crown is giving to Marutuahu is that it is positioned in areas that are significant to Ngātiwai, we don't believe that the Minister has bothered to read any of our court evidence so we have joined with Ngai Te Rangi in the push back against Marutuahu.
- b) Phillip clarified an urgency application has been filed with the Tribunal, we also have 4-5 supporting affidavits. Phillip concluded whatever we do we must come together and unite on this cause.

#### **Comments:**

- c) Huhana added as a whānau claimant we absolutely support the push back.
- d) Mylie commented we support what the Board is doing and need to work side by side on this matter. The language the Crown uses is so oppressive and takes away our whakapapa connections. I would also like to update everyone regarding the urgency hearings which are 98% near finished, our lawyer did a great summary for us, there were so many of us involved and a great number of claims put forward for Ngātiwai. Regarding the MACCA applications in total there were 12 lodged and we acknowledge the Trust Board for your support with the advertising and payment of applications.

#### **Comments:**

- a) Phillip added I'm starting to see as a Trust and whānau that we are moving in the right direction and working together on issues that make a difference.

### **Update Communications and PSGE:**

The following update was provided:

- a) **Communications:** - Barry explained we have been working with the different media's to create noise around keeping the pressure on Crown regarding our opposing of the Marutuahu overlapping claims and redress. We want everyone to be proactive about our opposition and feel free to use social media to support not only our own stance but also other iwi who are affected by the Marutuahu redress. In the meantime we will continue with the urgency process, lobbying Council and local businesses for support until the Government takes notice.
- b) Phillip added when we look at the flotilla that Ngai Te Rangi carried out that stopped a \$1m shipment. Is that an action that Ngātiwai would like to take? This might be something that we want to do in Ruakaka. We need to think about what we do next and we have unite to do it.
- c) **PSGE:** - Henry explained there are 3 possible options marae, hapū, takiwa or a variable of all 3.

### **Comments:**

- a) Rowena pointed out this is the issue that many of us have been dealing with the Ngāti Rehua Trust Board and the current Chairperson trying to appointment the current Trustees to the private company.
- b) Sonny Wellington acknowledged everyone, its pleasing to see the work that is being done.
- c) Allan Moore added it's most important that we make the right decision and that the home people get to manage their own resources. I would also be interested in looking at the constitution for the new organisation.
- d) Mylie added this is about having opportunity to bring us closer and to manage our own resources.

### **Social Development:**

The following update was provide:

- a) Michael Rundlett explained we are looking to build a social development model for our whānau so we can learn and flourish. It's a positive thing seeing everyone coming together. We're also bringing Carla Klink on board to do some tangible work on the ground. This is about building on the aspirations of our people.

The hui ended at approximately 1pm with closing karakia.

**Moana MacDonald**  
Board Secretary

**Phillip Ngawaka**  
Chairman