



**I, Kitea Tipuna, Tumu Whakarae Taupua Interim Chief Executive Officer, hereby
give notice that
a Māori Standing Committee Meeting will be held on:**

Date: Thursday, 13 May 2021
Time: 1.30pm
Location: Council Chamber, Wairoa District Council,
Coronation Square, Wairoa

AGENDA

Māori Standing Committee Meeting

13 May 2021

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- 1 KARAKIA**
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A maximum of 30 minutes has been set aside for members of the public to speak on any item on the agenda. Up to 5 minutes per person is allowed. As per Standing Order 15.1 requests to speak must be made to the Chief Executive Officer at least one clear day before the meeting; however this requirement may be waived by the Chairperson. Requests should also outline the matters that will be addressed by the speaker(s).

7 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Ordinary Meeting - 1 April 2021

**MINUTES OF WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL
MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL, CORONATION SQUARE, WAIROA
ON THURSDAY, 1 APRIL 2021 AT 1.30PM**

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little, Cr Jeremy Harker, Mr Henare Mita, Ms Theresa Thornton, Mrs Fiona Wairau, Mrs Hinenui Tipoki-Lawton, Ms Liz Palmer, Mr Paora Puketapu

IN ATTENDANCE: **Duane Culshaw** (Pouahurea Māori - Māori Relationships Manager), **Gay Waikawa** (Kaiurungi Mana Arahi/Governance Officer), **Nathan Heath** (HBRC Area Manager)

1 KARAKIA

Karakia was given by Henare Mita.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

3 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

4 CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

5 LATE ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

None

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

7 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2021/156

Moved: Mrs Fiona Wairau

Seconded: Ms Liz Palmer

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 18 February 2021 be confirmed.

CARRIED

8 GENERAL ITEMS**8.1 TA TE POUAHUREA MAORI PURONGO****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2021/157**

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker

Seconded: Mrs Hinenui Tipoki-Lawton

That the Māori Standing Committee:

1. Receives the report
and
2. Forward to Council for more discussion and consideration the remuneration rates for the Maori Standing Committee.

CARRIED

The Pouahurea Maori presented his report and reported on Updates (Informational/Decisional) being Client Service Request, Regional Collaboration Day, Council Forum Roster, Ordinary Council meeting roster.

Also included in the report was the Maori Standing Committee Remuneration Workshop which was held on Thursday, 18 March 2021, Three Waters Reform Workshop held in Palmerston North on Thursday, 11 March 2021, Hui-A-Takiwā-Te Wairoa Hoengenenge held on Tuesday, 23 March 2021 at Ruataniwha Marae and the Te Kupenga Cultural App.

9 PUBLIC EXCLUDED ITEMS**RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2021/158**

Moved: Mrs Hinenui Tipoki-Lawton

Seconded: Mr Paora Puketapu

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting at 2.49pm.

The general subject matter of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48 for the passing of this resolution
9.1 - Maungataniwha	s7(2)(g) - the withholding of the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege	s48(1)(a)(i) - the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of

		information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 or section 7
CARRIED		

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 2021/159

Moved: Cr Jeremy Harker

Seconded: His Worship the Mayor Craig Little

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council at 3.05pm.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 3.26pm with a karakia by Henare Mita.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Māori Standing Committee Meeting held on 13 May 2021.

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CHAIRPERSON

8 GENERAL ITEMS

8.1 TA TE POUAHUREA MAORI PURONGO

- Author:** Duane Culshaw, Pouahurea Māori Māori Relationships Manager
- Authoriser:** Kitea Tipuna, Tumu Whakarae Taupua Interim Chief Executive Officer
- Appendices:**
1. HBRC Update - 1 April 2021 [↓](#)
 2. HBRC Update - 1 May 2021 [↓](#)
 3. MSC Chairman Report - 13 May 2021 [↓](#)
 4. MSC - HBRC Submission - 3 May 2021 [↓](#)

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This report provides information for the Māori Standing Committee on Council and community activities.

RECOMMENDATION

The Pouahurea Māori Māori Relationships Manager RECOMMENDS that the Māori Standing Committee receives the report.

The Pouahurea Māori Māori Relationships Manager RECOMMENDS that the Māori Standing Committee discuss and resolve to hold a workshop/wānanga to review the Wairoa District Council Māori Policy.

2. KUPU WHAKATAKI

- 2.1 Ko wai rā te tangata nei ko wai. Ko Tū pea, ko Rongo pea. Āku mataara, tahia te kī, tahia te wānanga. He aro mā kitea, he aro mā whiti. Ko mawhiti kura, ko mawhiti awa, ko te wehi ki te whare, he whare mātahi. E hui te rangiora, e tū ake nei ki runga. Mauri ora!

3. UPDATES (INFORMATIONAL)

- 3.1 This is a follow up from the Māori Standing Committee ordinary meeting held Thursday, 1 April 2021.
- 3.2 **Client Service Request** – a kindly reminder for MSC members to refer any repair requests or complaints to the Client Service Request form (Telephone complaint in or it is accessible via the Council website – From Home Page, click on the Envelope icon (top right of page), scroll down to ***I want to...*** click on ***Get Something Fixed***. Fill out online form and click ***Submit***).
- 3.3 **Council Forum Roster** – the next three Council forum roster is **Tuesday, 1 June (Liz), Tuesday, 13 July (Theresa)** and **Tuesday, 24 August (Paora)**. If you are unable to attend your designated date, please inform the Pouahurea Māori in the first instance.
- 3.4 **Council Ordinary Meeting Roster** – the next three Council Ordinary meeting roster is **Tuesday, 15 June (Liz), Tuesday, 27 July (Theresa)** and **Tuesday, 7 August (Paora)**. If you are unable to attend your designated date, please inform the Pouahurea Māori in the first instance.

4. WDC MĀORI POLICY (DECISIONAL)

- 4.1 On Tuesday, 4 May 2021, the resolved to accept the draft amended Wairoa District Council Māori Policy for the Long Term Plan. Under 3.0 Representation, the legislative additions include 3.3 Māori Wards and 3.4 Post Settlement Governance Entities and Iwi Entities.
- 4.2 The Pouahurea Māori recommends that the Māori Standing Committee discuss and resolve to hold a workshop/wānanga to review the Wairoa District Council Māori Policy.

5. THREE WATERS REFORM UPDATE (INFORMATIONAL)

- 5.1 As previously discussed, the Wairoa District Council Māori Standing Committee, as well as other Māori Committees within Hawke's Bay Councils, has been pro-actively involved with the Three Waters Reform discussion. This included attending several workshops.
- 5.2 We have now heard back from Ngā Raūira Pūmanawawhiti – Principal Advisor Iwi/Māori for the Department of Internal Affairs (DIA), indicating a possible hui on Tuesday, 1 June 2021 at 1.00 pm, with the location and venue still to be confirmed.
- 5.3 Once more information comes to hand, we will endeavour to keep the Māori Standing Committee informed.

6. HUI-Ā-TAKIWĀ – TE WAIROA HŌNENGENENGE (INFORMATIONAL)

- 6.1 On Tuesday, 4 May 2021, the Council resolved to confirm the selection of Alex-Ann Edwards as representative for Te Wairoa Hōnengenenge on the WDC Māori Standing Committee.
- 6.2 At the time of this report being written, the Pouahurea Māori has organised an induction for Alex-Ann. The Māori Standing Committee will welcome Alex-Ann to her first ordinary meeting on Thursday, 13 May 2021.

7. HBRC SUBMISSION FOR MĀORI CONSTITUENCIES (INFORMATIONAL)

- 7.1 On Monday, 3 May 2021, the Chair and Pouahurea Māori attended the HBRC Submission hearing on behalf of the Wairoa District Council Māori Standing Committee. We received lots of queries from HBRC Councillors, mainly based around the fact the Wairoa District Council has Māori Wards.
- 7.2 The submission focused on the continued relationship between Council and the Māori Standing Committee.
- 7.3 The Councillors of HBRC will deliberate on 19 May 2021, with a final decision to be made before 21 May 2021.

8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (RATING OF WHENUA MĀORI) AMENDMENT BILL (INFORMATIONAL)

- 8.1 At the end of March 2021, the Local Government (Rating of Whenua Māori) Amendment Bill was passed. This Act amends the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, with most provisions to come into legislation on 1 July 2021, with the balance to come into legislation on the date after the date of Royal Assent.
- 8.2 We have invited the Senior Rates Office, David Doole, to make a presentation on this kaupapa.



9. KUPU WHAKAKAPI

- 9.1 Ko ō tātau whakapono ngā kaiwhakawehewehe i a tātau. Ko ō tātau moemoeā me ō tātau pākatokato ngā kaiwhakakotahi i a tātau – Nā Ahorangi Te Wharehuia Milroy.
- 9.2 Ideologies separate us. Dreams and anguish bring us together – Professor Wharehuia Milroy.

10. CONCLUSION

- 10.1 The Māori Relationships Manager RECOMMENDS that the Māori Standing Committee receives the report.
- 10.2 The Pouahurea Māori *Māori Relationships Manager* RECOMMENDS that the Māori Standing Committee discuss and resolve to hold a workshop/wānanga to review the Wairoa District Council Māori Policy.

Signatories

	
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Monthly Report for Wairoa District – March 2021
Nathan Heath – Area Manager (Northern Hawke's Bay)

1 April 2021

1. HBRC update - Issues and Council & Committee meeting items of local relevance

- Regional Planning Committee – 10th March
 - Presentation from Tātau Tātau o Te Wairoa
 - Tangata whenua representation on Councils Committee
 - Kotahi project principles
- Regional transport Committee – 12th March
 - Regional Land Transport plan submissions
- Regional Council – 24th March
 - Adoption of Long Term Plan consultation documents
- Hawkes Bay Drinking Water Governance Joint Meeting – 29th March

All agendas can be found online, and meetings are now video recorded and can also be found via the following link - <https://www.hbrc.govt.nz/our-council/meetings>

The HBRC Long Term Plan is now out for consultation <https://www.consultations.nz/hbrc/time-to-act/> A public meeting to discuss the Long Term Plan is scheduled for Wairoa on April 27, 6-8pm at the Wairoa War Memorial Hall.

2. Local Activity update for March -

- a) Te Uhi Pa Road rubbish dumping – a hui was held on 10 March, with mana whenua to discuss options for preventing the on-going dumping of car wrecks and rubbish. A follow up meeting was scheduled for 20 March. Unfortunately, no further progression was made due to a lack of attendance WDC & HBRC are currently investigating options for the removal of car wrecks.
- b) The official opening of the Nuhaka River Road was held on 6 March and hosted by Ngāti Rakaipaaka. It was a great occasion to celebrate the completion of a significant and long outstanding issue for the community.



- c) Guardians of the Ruakituri – I attended a meeting at Ruakituri with landowners and tangata whenua to discuss their catchment project, and address concerns that were raised at previous Council Committee meetings. The community has done an exceptional job of bringing landholders together to collectively work on protecting the awa.
 - d) I have been working with the Tātau Tātau o Te Wairoa Horticulture Hub team to provide guidance on obtaining consents and attended the meeting with interested landholders.
 - e) A presentation on the Whakakī Catchment Pilot Project will be given at the next HBRC Māori Committee and Environment and Integrated Catchments Committee meetings.
 - f) A visit to works around marae on the Wairoa River with WDC Māori Committee Chair Henare Mitta with the HBRC Asset Management team was carried out on 4 March.
 - g) It has been a busy month with Civil Defence issues this month. Multiple Wairoa Emergency Operations Centre meetings were held. Juanita Savage (WDC) and I attended 2 days of Civil Defence training and several community meetings have been held at Nuhaka and Mahia to consider the community's resilience planning following on from the tsunami warning on 5 March.
3. Meetings & engagements held this month include with – Tātau Tātau o Te Wairoa, Te Kupenga HB Council collaboration, Wairoa Community Partnerships Group, HBRC Māori Committee Wairoa representatives, Ngāti Rakaipaaka, Waikaremoana Tribal Authority, Wairoa Taiwhenua, Ngāti Pāhauwera, Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust, Te Puni Kōkiri. I attended a meeting with other Lower North Island Regional Councils to discuss Freshwater Reforms implementation. A meeting of Whakakī Freshwater Improvement Fund Project Governance Group was also held in March..
 4. Māori Constituency seats – submissions to HBRC are now open on the creation of Māori Constituency seats for the next local body elections. A hui was held on 29 March to discuss the process in Wairoa and was well attended by the community. Further information on the process for making submissions can be found at <https://www.consultations.nz/hbrc/establishing-Māori-constituencies-for-hawkes-bay-regional-council>. Given the local experience with Māori wards I strongly urge the community to make submissions on this proposal. The Wairoa Taiwhenua is available to help support those making a submission. Special mention must go to the local HBRC Māori Committee and Regional Planning Committee representatives who have put in significant effort to bring this kaupapa to the attention of the community and urge whānau to make their submissions. Submissions close on 22 April.
 5. Whakatipu Predator Free Project – unfortunately Predator Free NZ have withdrawn their support to the second round of the Predator control Whakatipu Mahia proposal until the community is able to provide a coherent and collective approach to the delivery of the project. The project was to include the combined funding of \$3.5 million to control mustelids, rats, and cats to complement the work already occurring to eradicate possums from the Peninsula.
 6. A reminder that Te Mana o Te Wai Fund is still open for funding applications. The Ministry for the Environment has recently announced a \$30 Million fund for Te Mana o Te Wai Projects. The goal of the fund is to:
 - support Māori to improve the health of freshwater bodies of importance to them
 - create nature-based employment opportunities
 - build capacity and capability for Māori to participate in and make decisions for freshwater management (including in the implementation of the Essential Freshwater reforms).

Further information on the fund can be found on the MfE website
<https://www.mfe.govt.nz/more/funding/te-mana-o-te-wai-fund>

7. I attended the Ngāti Pāhauwera hīkoi on March 20 at Waipapa-a-iwi marae. I would like to congratulate the organisers on providing a fantastic day and exceptional manaaki. The event had a great turnout, and much was learnt and discussed around whakapapa and the work the Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Trust is currently involved in.



Please contact me directly for any clarification or additional information you may require from the report.

Ngā mihi

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Monthly Report for Wairoa District – April 2021
Nathan Heath – Area Manager (Northern Hawke's Bay)

30 April 2021

1. Long Term Plan consultation 27th April. Great to see a good turnout and robust kōrero around the HBRC proposed Long Term Plan. A wide range of issues were raised including, the proposed rates increase, forestry compliance, erosion, water quality and recognition of the effort already put in by many landowners, horticulture expansion, Councils corporate overheads and staff numbers, local activity, and gravel extraction. Submissions close on May 2 <https://www.consultations.nz/hbrc/time-to-act/>
2. Submissions have now closed on the establishment of Māori constituency seats on Council. A total of 1113 submissions were received. 994 were in support, 115 did not support and 4 didn't know if Māori constituency seats should be established. There was awesome support from Wairoa with 170 submissions received from the district. Submissions will be heard next week on the 3rd & 4th of May, with the Council decision on the 19th of May.
3. HBRC update - Issues and Council & Committee meeting items of local relevance
 - Regional Council – 28 April
 - Significant Organisational Activities
 - Presentation by Michelle McIlroy of the activity around the awa happening in Wairoa
 - Regional Planning Committee – 14 April. Was postponed due to a lack of a quorum.
 - HBRC Māori Committee
 - Take Ripōata ā Takiwā – taiwhenua representative's update.
 - Whakaki Catchment Pilot Project case study and findings.
 - Verbal eDNA water sampling presentation
 - CDEM tangata whenua engagement.

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4. Local Activity update for April
 - a) Te Uhi Pa Road – The car wrecks and rubbish that has been dumped here over a number of years is now being removed. HBRC has contributed financial support to the kaupapa, and we are working with parties to identify funding options for restoring the area and prevent dumping from happening in the future in collaboration with mana whenua and WDC.
 - b) The issue of air quality in Wairoa has been raised this month. There have been multiple complaints to both HBRC and WDC about plastics being burnt in home fireplaces. Wairoa now has its own monitoring station that measures air quality and pollutants and some of the early indications are that we are not immune to issues of air quality here as well. New standards are currently being set through the National Environmental Standards for Air Quality <https://environment.govt.nz/acts-and-regulations/regulations/national-environmental-standards-for-air-quality/> that will place more stringent demands on the burning of rubbish and potentially the use of fireplaces or burning of wet wood that produce excessive smoke. Wairoa has one of the highest rates of respiratory health issues

- in New Zealand and so this is something the whole community needs to get behind, do their bit and support. An air quality campaign for Wairoa is currently being developed in conjunction with WDC.
- c) The issue of a lack of warning signs around our popular swimming and mahinga kai gathering sites has been raised. After heavy rains water quality is a problem throughout the region and can cause a range of health issues to anyone who uses our water ways. Signs warning people of the risks are currently being developed and will be placed at sites in Wairoa, Nuhaka & Oraka. A scientist from the Institute of Environmental Science and Research (ESR) was in Wairoa on 21 April looking at sites locally to provide more extensive data on the bacterial pollutants that impact on human health, we are working closely with them to identify locations and support the taking of samples.
 - d) Whakakī School working bee – as part of the Whakakī Freshwater Improvement Fund project and in collaboration with the Materoa Tamati Hook Whānau Trust and the Whakakī Lake Trust a community working bee was organised to clean up and prepare the school site for the restoration work. Over 80 people turned up and a huge amount of work was completed. Credit must go to Trevor Waikawa for organising and coordinating the event.
5. Meetings & engagements held this month include with – Tātau Tātau o Te Wairoa, Te Kupenga HB Council collaboration, HBRC Māori Committee, and Wairoa representatives, Ngāti Rakaipaaka, Waikaremoana Tribal Authority, Rongomaiwahine Iwi Trust, GDC Māori Relationships staff, ESR, MPI, WDC, NZTA, WDC Māori Committee. Attended the Māori Council meeting at Takitimu marae to discuss the impact of RMA reforms on tangata whenua.
6. Waikari River catchment group meeting. A group of approximately 25 landholders and tangata whenua representatives from Ngāti Pāhauwera met on the 20th of April to discuss the forming of a Catchment Group to deal with the issues and opportunities that exist in working together to restore the Waikari River. Feedback from the meeting was that it was extremely positive and there is a strong commitment from all parties to progress this kaupapa. A formal leadership structure and process is being developed.
7. Coastal bird survey – has now been completed and the data is being analysed. The proposed community hui has been postponed until October due to the lead surveyor being on maternity leave.
8. Opoutama/Blue Bay – An application to upgrade the Opoutama treatment plant has been lodged and work is progressing as required by the abatement notice. Full plant upgrade is anticipated to be complete by October 2021. A full update on this area will be brought to Council at a future meeting.

Please contact me directly for any clarification or additional information you may require from the report.

Ngā mihi



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Wairoa District Council Māori Standing Committee
Tā Te Tiamana Purongo
Rakaipaaka Purongo-a-Takiwā
WDC Chambers 1:30 pm
13 Haratua 2021

Poroporoaki:

On Friday, 30 April, [the Pouahurea Māori] and I attended the service of Anaru (Lads) Te Nahu. Affectionately known as Lads, he was the [Māhia Mai Tawhiti] MSC representative, until ill-health forced him to step down. It was only right therefore, that we paid our respects to him and his fine work. Our group was made up of past and present Te Ara Poutama (Corrections) staff, many of Uncle Lads' relations, and people with a whole host of musical backgrounds. An accomplished guitarist / vocalist, Uncle Lads had a long history in the small band entertainment industry.

Nō reira e te rangatira Anaru, moe mai rā koe i raro i ngā manaakitanga o te mea ngaro, nāna nei ngā mea katoa. Otira, ka poroporoakitia ngā mate huhua o te wā, mai i ngā tōpito katoa o te rohe, o te motu whānui hoki. Haere koutou, haere. Haere oti atu. Koutou ki a koutou, ā, mātau ngā kanohi ora ki a mātau.

Roading and Bridge Upgrades:

Last month I spoke about work being undertaken along Mataraua/Pomana Road and Papanui Road. I note this month, and much to my surprise, that portions of these roads have now been tar sealed. In addition, upgrades to the Omana Stream Bridge, and Omana Road have also been completed. And of course, the widening of Tahaenui Bridge is ongoing. So well done to council and [Te] Waka Kotahi (NZ Transport Agency). I do not wish to appear ungrateful, but I do ask that we remain mindful of the Symes whānau along Mangaone Road, and the issues they contend with.

Papanui Road**Mataraua / Pomana Road****Omana Stream Road****Omana Road**

28th Battalion, D Company:

On the 23 April, I attended the launch of a new touch-table, dedicated to Company D of the 28th Maori Battalion. Because the launch would coincide with the service of beloved and respected elder Rihari Puanaki, I was under the misguided impression that very few people would be able to attend. I was terribly mistaken, and it remains an inspiration to me that the memory of those who served our country, still have incredible drawing power. A number of things stood out for me and I could go on ad nauseum about the many highlights, where a young Tongan woman spoke about her grandfather serving in the 28th Battalion, or a military son who still seeks the owner of WW2 medals, that his father had kept in safekeeping, or the widows of servicemen, who shared some of their treasured memories. I congratulate Toro Waaka for spear-heading this initiative, the tireless researchers Sheryl McNabb and Rita Morrison, Andrew Hulme for his digital wizardry and the many families who gave valuable information regarding their fathers, grandfathers, uncles, granduncles, or husbands.

**HBRC Māori Constituency Submissions:**

On Monday, 3 May, I accompanied [the Pouahurea Māori] to Napier in support of the MSC submission regarding Māori Constituencies on the Hawke's Bay Regional Council (HBRC). The interesting feature for me, was the number of questions [the Pouahurea Māori] fielded, because HBRC members were genuinely interested in knowing how the Wairoa District Council model, in light of our three newly instituted Māori wards, was progressing. [the Pouahurea Māori] submitted a detailed opinion on why MSC supported Māori constituencies, both of us responding to queries regarding the efficacy of our MSC, since we can only make recommendations to Council, as well as the need for an MSC, should HBRC institute, Māori constituencies. We spoke positively of the MSC relationship with Council, and I commend [the Pouahurea Māori] on the in-depth submission he forwarded on our behalf.



WDC Māori Policy:

A lot has been said recently about the Wairoa District Council Māori Policy. It will be our aim over the next few weeks, to clarify and give context to some of that information. I support the call by our Pouahurea Māori, that we need to be mindful of our communications, especially with regards to recent social media postings.

Nāku nei,

Henare Mita (Rakaipaaka Takiwā)
Chairman, Māori Standing Committee
WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. Mai i te tihi o Te Whakapunake o Te Matau a Māui Tikitiki a Taranga, ka titiro atu rā ki te uru ki Panekiri maunga, ki te wai kaukau o ngā mātua tīpuna ko Waikaremoana; ka whakarongo atu ki te tai e haruru mai nei i te rāwhiti, ko Te Māhia-mai-tawhiti; ka whātaretare atu ki te tonga, ki te awa o Mohaka; ka titiro whakararo tātau ki te waitāhekeheke o Te Reinga, ko te mātāpuna o Te Wairoa Hōpūpū Hōnengenenge Matangirau – Te Wairoa Tapoko Rau!
- 1.2. Tēnei mātau ko te Kōmiti Māori o Te Kaunihera-ā-rohe o Te Wairoa e tū nei ki Mānukanui e mihi atu ana ki a koutou ko Te Kaunihera-ā-rohe o Te Matau a Māui. Tēnā koutou katoa.
- 1.3. This submission is made for and on behalf of the Wairoa District Council Māori Standing Committee (MSC). The MSC would further like to support the submission submitted by His Worship the Mayor on behalf of the Wairoa District Council. **The MSC also commends the Hawke's Bay Regional Council (HBRC) and wish to appear before Councillors of the HBRC to speak to this submission.**
- 1.4. Since the establishments of Māori wards in the Wairoa District, the MSC has continued to be an important mechanism which provides for individual and groups authorised to speak for Māori to participate in Council decision-making processes.
- 1.5. The MSC, as a committee of the Council, cannot be understated. The MSC continues to provide support and guidance on Council processes, especially on those matters requiring a Māori perspective.
- 1.6. The MSC is made up of eight independent representatives, with an option to co-opt one representative. The MSC membership also includes His/Her Worship the Mayor (ex-officio) and three elected Councillors.
- 1.7. The purpose of the MSC, in regards to the Terms of Reference, is *'to assist Council with the implementation of policies and work programmes to enable effective governance, engagement, and service delivery for the district's Māori communities'*.
- 1.8. The question that the HBRC asks is, 'Is it time for Māori constituencies?' On behalf of the Māori Standing Committee of Wairoa, you have heard a resounding yes. Māori representation needs to occur at a governance level, however, we caution that this should not replace any current Māori advisory positions/committees. This submission is made in support of the establishment of Māori constituencies in the Hawke's Bay Regional Council.

8.2 NATIONAL MAORI HOUSING CONFERENCE

Author: Alannah Marshall, Kaiurungi Mana Arahi/Whakawhanake Ohanga Governance and Economic Development Officer

Authoriser: Kitea Tipuna, Tumu Whakarae Taupua Interim Chief Executive Officer

Appendices: 1. National Maori Housing Conference [↓](#)



1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This report provides information for Committee on the national Maori housing conference. Attached is a report written by Councillor Goldsack. No decisions are required by Committee.

RECOMMENDATION

The Kaiurungi Mana Arahi/Whakawhanake Ohanga Governance and Economic Development Officer RECOMMENDS that Committee receive the report.

Signatories

	
Author	Approved by

Alannah Marshall	Kitea Tipuna
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This is the 6th National Maori Housing Conference to be held. I never actually knew they existed.

Brilliant use of the Auaha app to facilitate conference participation and engagement (first conference I've been to that had an interactive app) and learning through answering questions and having prizes which could be won (2 of which were won by our very own Melissa Kaimoana and Courtney Hayward not through lack of trying by Denise and I).

Day 1

We started with a Pōwhiri at Waipatu Marae, Hastings hosted by Kahungunu ki Heretaunga

We went on a tour of local housing developments with Paul Sheeran (housing consultant and papakainga facilitator extraordinaire) and Robert Macbeth (TPK's best worker) as our tour guides starting with the one across the road from Waipatu Marae.

Then it was off to the papakainga of the Robin Whanau at Kohupatiki, 5 houses (1 owned by a mum and 3 children and the other 4 rented by their papakainga trust to their whanau). This whanau had to learn the ins and outs of being landlords and they had to set the rules with their whanau.

From there we went to Moteo to a papakainga development that was just starting with foundations laid on two houses. This whanau had been on this journey for 15 years so it's never a short journey.

From there we went to Te Hauke, where high atop a whanau whenua the dreams of a hapu are going to be realised. At the moment there is a driveway and Zac Makoare told us about their whanau, hapu journey and what their

development will look like once it has been realised. He also told us about how when the elders need to downsize the bigger houses will be used for the bigger whanau and the pakeke will move into pakeke units. I felt that this was a very spiritual place, with a view to their sacred maunga Kahuranaki and all the history that is associated with their treasured whenua. Zac is also the CEO of Te Taitimu Trust; the trust runs wananga, workshops and reconnects whanau with their lost tribal identities and so much more.

Then off we went to Waingakau in Flaxmere. The urban development in Flaxmere which is enabling whanau to purchase their own homes (most of these whanau would never have had a chance to purchase homes otherwise) after completing a TTOH and SORTED course and learning all about money management and their own finances.

Very long hot day in the Heretaunga sun.

Day 2

Opened by Ngahiwi.

The theme of providing shelter and a foundation for whānau was developed by Ngahiwi Tomoana, chair of Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated. His concept encourages us to support, build and nurture communities that put people first. Quality, affordable housing is important for whānau. It not only fulfills a basic human need for shelter, but it also contributes to the overall wellbeing of the whānau.

A welcome to the hui from Ngahiwi, and the kaupapa that aspires to put a roof over our heads and a floor under our feet surrounded by unbreachable walls just as our ancient iterations prescribed.

Ngahiwi spoke about his journey and how he built his log house with his and his whanau as the labour and logs from his work in the forestry.

Moving performance from some of the Kahurangi Performing Arts roopu which included a Raupunga / Kotemaori rangatahi.

Ko Heretaunga Haukunui, Ararau, Haaro te Kaahu, takoto noa – a better way of working: the Hastings Place Based initiative. Mayor Sandra Hazelhurst spoke about the journey that Heretaunga is on and their vision for healthy vibrant well housed whanau in safe, dry, warm and affordable homes.

K3 Limited – Aayden Clarke a Wairoa ex pat showed us what K3 is doing and how they are helping to create training and employment pathways for our iwi through housing and business. His video presentation showed 3 Wairoa whanau who have become or were already self-employed that are taking on apprentices and are a part of creating new housing in Heretaunga.

Phillip McRoberts is an electrician who has started his own business and now has an apprentice.

King Mouat is a plasterer who has his own company and is now taking on apprentices with the help and support of K3.

Ryan Grigsby is a scaffolder who is thriving and taking on apprentices with the support of K3.

Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga CEO George Reedy showed us Waingakau: which is a visionary housing development in Flaxmere. The aim is to make home ownership more accessible for all without compromising on quality.

What is on the horizon for housing – the direction and policy as presented by agency Chief Executives Dave Samuels, Te Puni Kōkiri; Andrew McKenzie, Kainga Ora and Andrew Crisp, MHUD:

Agency Panel - Facilitated Q&A Discussion

Lots of pertinent questions from attendees

Breakout session one:

Option 1: Progressive home ownership

Option 2: Iwi Housing – what is working and how to use what has already been done.

Option 3: Housing options: Te Ahuru Mōwai

Option 4: Kāinga Ora (topic)

Breakout session two:

Option 1: Housing innovations

Option 2: Progressive home ownership

Option 3: Housing options: Waingakau lessons learned

Day 3:

BREAKFAST SESSION - Te Matapihi hosting breakfast

Approaches and learnings to create whānau housing solutions

Iwi Panel

An outline of the direction and focus for housing. Lots of deep discussion from different iwi about their future plans and what they feel will work best for their iwi. There is no one size fits all approach that is going to work.

Presentation: Te Āhuru Mōwai– homes for whanau. Helmut Modlik – CEO, Te Runanga o Toa Rangatira Inc. in Porirua. This hapu have some big visions which they are working towards. Taking each goal one step at a time. Working differently to support whanau. Setting up their own businesses i.e their own ITM franchise for all their building materials.

Presentation: Jamie Tuuata chair of Te Runanga o Ngati Mutunga spoke about the Taranaki whanau and what they are doing and their vision for housing models in the future. There are other ways of working and using the money which is currently paying for a lot of emergency housing all over NZ.

Lots of solutions and options for the future.

Ministerial Session:

Introductions and Ministers presenting:

Very informative ministerial presentations about Government direction and priorities.

Ministerial Panel - Facilitated Q&A Discussion

Awesome conference Summary by a wahine toa who's name I just could not find anywhere?? Summed everything up perfectly though into under 10 minutes.

Tono for next Conference from Te Arawa

Links to conference presentations were meant to live by Friday 5th March but aren't yet. We should have these soon so all of council will be able to watch all the conference presentations.

Wairoa District Council needs to decide whether we want to be just regulators or positive enablers in the housing space or whether there is scope for us to do both like Hasting District Council. Food for thought and lots of good invigorating / enabling korero in all the presentations.

Check out this whanau below from the cover of the conference programme who were able to buy their own home in Flaxmere. Mum and dad come from two very different backgrounds and housing experiences and were teen parents.

Very inspiring stories throughout conference, a few tears shed listening to their stories.

