

# Komiti Māori

## NOTICE IS GIVEN

that the next meeting of **Komiti Māori** will be held at **Tahuwhakatiki (Rōmai) Marae, 681 Welcome Bay Road, Waitao, Tauranga** on:

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**Tuesday, 12 February 2019 commencing at 9.30 am.**

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Please note: A pōhiri will take place at 9.30am with the meeting to start at approximately 10.30 am.

Fiona McTavish  
Chief Executive  
31 January 2019





# Komiti Māori

## Terms of Reference

The Komiti Māori has the core function of implementing and monitoring Council's legislative obligations to Māori.

### Delegated Function

To set operational direction for Council's legislative obligations to Māori and monitor how these obligations are implemented. This will be achieved through the development of specific operational decisions which translate legislative obligations to Māori into action.

### Membership

Three Māori constituency councillors and three general constituency councillors (the membership of the general constituency councillors to be rotated every two years), and the Chairman as ex-officio.

### Quorum

In accordance with Council standing order 10.2, the quorum at a meeting of the committee is not fewer than three members of the committee.

### Co-Chairs to preside at meetings

Notwithstanding the Komiti Māori has an appointed Chairperson, Māori Constituency Councillors may host-Chair committee meetings that are held in the rohe of their respective constituency.

### Term of the Committee

For the period of the 2016-2019 Triennium unless discharged earlier by the Regional Council.

### Meeting frequency

Two-monthly.

### Specific Responsibilities and Delegated Authority

The Komiti Māori is delegated the power of authority to:

- Monitor Council's compliance with its obligations to Māori under the Local Government Act 2002 and the Resource Management Act 1991;
- Approve actions to enhance Māori capacity to contribute to Council's decision-making processes for inclusion in the development of the Long Term Plan;
- Recommend to Council effective Maori consultation mechanisms and processes;
- Identify any relevant emerging issues for the region relating to the principles of the Te Tiriti o Waitangi, legislative obligations to Māori under different statutes and programmes to build the capability of Māori;
- Facilitate tangata whenua input into community outcomes, Council policy development and implementation work;
- Formally receive iwi/hapū management plans;

- Make submissions on Māori related matters, except where the submissions may have a wide impact on Council's activities, in which case they might be handled by the Regional Direction and Delivery Committee or Council;
- Request an annual or 6 monthly report on Council's responsiveness to Maori;<sup>1</sup>
- Establish subcommittees and delegate to them any authorities that have been delegated by Council to the Komiti Māori and to appoint members (not limited to members of the Komiti Māori);
- Approve its subcommittee's recommendations for matters outside the subcommittee delegated authority;
- Recommend to Council the establishment of advisory groups to represent sub-region or constituency areas and to consider specific issues.

**Note:**

The Komiti Māori reports directly to the Regional Council.

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<sup>1</sup> Insertion as per resolution 2(e) Minute Item 13.6, Regional Council Meeting 22 May 2018

# Membership

<b>Chairperson:</b>	A Tahana
<b>Deputy Chairperson:</b>	T Marr
<b>Councillors:</b>	W Clark, D Love, M McDonald, L Thurston
<b>Ex Officio:</b>	Chairman D Leeder
<b>Committee Advisor:</b>	S Kameta

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Recommendations in reports are not to be construed as Council policy until adopted by Council.

## Agenda

### 1 Opening Karakia

### 2 Host Chair to preside

Notwithstanding the Komiti Māori has an appointed Chairperson, Māori Constituency Councillors may host-Chair committee meetings that are held in the rohe of their respective constituency.

### 3 Apologies

### 4 Acceptance of Late Items

### 5 General Business

### 6 Declarations of Conflicts of Interests

### 7 Previous Minutes

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### 8 Presentations

#### 8.1 Ngā Pōtiki - Spatial Planning and Key Matters of Interest

Refer Agenda item 9.1 for background information.

#### 8.2 Te Tahuna o Rangataua Heritage New Zealand Application

Refer Agenda item 9.1 for background information.

### **8.3 Geothermal Programme Update**

Refer Agenda item 9.1 for background information.

### **8.4 Te Wananga o Awanuiārangi - Te Aka Pūtaiao Programme**

Refer Agenda item 9.1 for background information.

## **9 Reports**

### **9.1 General Manager Update**

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## **10 Consideration of General Business**

## **11 Open Forum**

A short period of time will be set aside at the conclusion of the meeting to enable tangata whenua and members of the public to raise matters. Any matters raised and the time allowed for each speaker will be at the discretion of the Chair.

No decisions can be made from matters raised in the Open Forum.

## **12 Closing Karakia**

# Previous Minutes





# Minutes of the Komiti Māori Meeting held in Te Hokowhitu A Tu Marae, 25B Keepa Road, Coastlands, Whakatane on Tuesday, 4 December 2018 commencing at 9.30 a.m.

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## Present:

**Chairman:** Arapeta Tahana

**Deputy Chairman:** Tipene Marr

**Councillors:** Lyall Thurston, David Love, Bill Clark, Matemoana McDonald

**Ex Officio:** Chairman Doug Leeder

**In Attendance:** Bay of Plenty Regional Council: Fiona McTavish – Chief Executive, Kataraina O'Brien - Strategic Engagement Manager, Shari Kameta – Committee Advisor, Natalie Ridler – Community Engagement Advisor, Anaru Vercoe – Māori Policy Team Leader, Herewini Simpson, Clarke Koopu – Senior Advisors (Treaty), Reuben Gardiner, Sandy Hohepa, Katerina Pihera-Ridge – Māori Policy Advisors, Moana Stensness (Technical/Cultural), Rawiri Bhana – Kaupapa Māori Advisor, Lisa Tauroa – Internal Services Officer, Sam Rossiter-Stead – Communications Manager, Maia Eruera and Winiata Tahau-Anderson – Summer Students;

Presenters: Dr Te Arani Barrett, Tani Wharewera - Ngāti Hokopū, Kere Akuhata – SWAP/BOPFS, Eula Toko – SWAP/Cultural Monitor/Ngāti Hokopū, Robert McClean, Ben Dickson – Ministry for the Environment;

Tangata Whenua and Members of the Public: Mac Kingi, Tumihitai George Raerino, Matekino Raerino – Ngāti Hokopū Kaumatua, Josephine Smith, Linda Wharewera, Rihi Elizabeth Wharewera, Adrian Te Uara Jaram, Riripeti Kingi, Cheree Latham, Marianne Devos, Rina Savage, Kelly Walker, Keita Wharewera Ballard, Talei Swanson – Ngāti Hokopū/Te Hokowhitu a Tu Marae; Mario Newton, Te Poari Newton – Ngāti Tura/Te Ngakau, Maru Tapsell – Te Arawa, Rachel Turner – Te Whare Wananga o Awanuiarangi, Hoko Horne – Ngāti Whakahemo, Mawera Karetai - Labour Waiariki, Wetini Paul – Ngai Tamaoki/BOPDHB; Donna Mason – Te Waimana Kaaku/Omuriwaka Marae, Danae Lee – Parliamentary Service MP Support to Tamati Coffey

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## 1 Pōhiri/Welcome

A pōhiri took place at 9.30am before the start of the meeting at 10.47 am.

## 2 Karakia Whakapuare/Opening Prayer

A karakia was provided by Kaumatua Hori Raerino.

### 3 **Apologies**

Nil

### 4 **Order of Business**

The Chair advised that the Tangata Whenua presentation relating to the Kopeopeo Canal Remediation Project item as identified in Agenda Item 9.2 would be received after Agenda Item 8.1.

### 5 **General Business**

Nil

### 6 **Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

Nil

### 7 **Previous Minutes**

#### 7.1 **Komiti Māori Minutes - 9 October 2018**

##### **Matter Arising**

Minute item 10.1, agenda page 17 – Regarding the issue raised by Mr Eru George in the Open Forum. It was explained that Māori Policy had been working alongside compliance and consent to address the matters raised at the previous Komiti Māori hui. Mr George was contacted and advised that a site visit had taken place to investigate a possible dam breach at Tree Tops Lodge, with no breach of the dam found. Kearoa Marae is located outside of Bay of Plenty Regional Council's (BOPRC) boundary, and therefore assistance with erosion would need to be address by Waikato Regional Council (WRC). It was noted that the resource consents for the Tree Tops Lodge had been historically issued by WRC.

##### **Resolved**

**That Komiti Māori:**

- 1 Confirms the Komiti Māori Minutes of 9 October 2018 are a true and correct record.**

**Thurston/McDonald  
CARRIED**

### 8 **Presentations**

#### 8.1 **Key Issues and Aspirations for Ngāti Hokopū Hapū – Dr Te Arani Barrett**

*Refer PowerPoint Presentation [A3079239](#).*

Ngāti Hokopū representative Dr Te Arani Barrett gave a presentation on behalf of Te Hokowhitu-A-Tu Marae that highlighted key challenges and aspirations for Ngāti Hokopū Hapū.

Key points:

- Provided background on the establishment of Te Hokowhitu-A-Tu Marae as a strategic move for crop growing, hapū links with Wairaka Marae and Te Whanau-a-Apanui and erection of the Wharenuī as a memorial and whare tipuna in remembrance of World War I soldiers;
- Manaakitanga was important to the hapū, with past fundraising and support given to World War I Te Rau Aroha army truck and food supplies and present day commemoration and support of Armistice Day, community events and as a marae welfare centre;
- 50 years of development challenges during the 1950s to 1970s had included: land acquisitions taken for state highway realignment, sewage treatment, industrial and urban development and toxic waste dumping, along with impacts from air pollution from the Whakatane Board Mills and contamination of Kopeopeo Canal (1970-1980's) leading to the loss of a cultural food source;
- Development issues had separated the hapū and alienated them from their whenua, resulting in enduring memories of loss of land and concerns of long-standing health impacts on affected whanau;
- Discussed the land negotiations associated with the Kopeopeo Bioremediation and the importance of land exchanges that gave appropriate consideration to the surrender of Māori land, access and links to whakapapa, as a form of cultural capital, while providing for the best interests of the community;
- Noted that past practices had improved since the enactment of the Resource Management Act, which included specific provisions for consultation with Māori
- Highlighted that when power is shared (and interfaces can be found), possibilities of true partnership can begin to emerge;
- Hapū aspirations were simple but important to: increase car parking to improve marae access and activity, retrieve land for papakāinga and kaumatua housing, have control over dust, noise and security issues, undisturbed use of the marae for cultural purposes; and to apply to the Historic Places Trust to make the Wharenuī a historic building;
- The Hapū had a sincere desire to work together in the future.

## 8.2 Māori Perspective of Kopeopeo Canal Remediation

Refer PowerPoint Presentation [A3077344](#).

A presentation was provided by Kopeopeo Canal Remediation Project Community Liaison Group representative Mr Tani Wharewera, Sawmill Workers with Poisons (SWAP) Chairman and BOP Facilitation Service (BOPFS) representative Mr Kere Akuhata and SWAP/Cultural Monitor Ms Eula Toko on the Māori perspective of the remediation of the Kopeopeo Canal.

Key points:

- Mr Wharewera acknowledged those involved in the aspects of the health and contamination of their people, land and waters from the contamination from the former Whakatāne Sawmill;
- Noted the timeline of activity from 1990-present day involving: Government lobbying, engagement with tangata whenua, the community and Government agencies; bioremediation trials and involvement with CHH Kinleith Mill (2005-2006); establishment of the BOP Facilitation Service (BOPFS), Kopeopeo Remediation

Project, SWAP and community input, engagement and setup of the Community Liaison Group (CLG) (2010-2018);

- Acknowledged the late Joe Harawira and SWAP who had played a major role in the issue and outcome;
- SWAP's philosophy and vision was to: represent the health of man and the land, which went hand in hand; and the health and wellbeing of future generations; SWAP mahi was tikanga-Māori driven; and their logo represented Papatuanuku, SWAP and its fallen workers, toxins of the land, reversal of contamination through bioremediation, collective response and honesty;
- Ms Toka provided background on: her involvement as a science technician and representative for Ngāti Awa during the 2005 bioremediation trials; the fungal trial process; utilisation of Ngāti Awatanga Mātauranga knowledge, overseas testing and validation, successful outcome results of 87% degradation of contaminant; knowledge sharing with other contaminated sites within New Zealand; and her new role as Iwi cultural monitor for potential discovery of koiwi that provided continued involvement for Ngāti Awa;
- Outlined the bioremediation process for: extraction, transfer, isolation and containment of contaminated soil at containment sites; health and safety; quality assurance; contingency processes for canal marine life; potential contamination incidents; bioremediation and restoration utilising phytoremediation and poplar planting;
- Next steps comprised: bioremediation at 27 sites; investigating gaps in knowledge at other sites; removal of dioxins insitu; progress of trials; and development of a toolkit for science degree students to build capacity and soil treatment knowledge;
- Acknowledged SWAP workers who had passed on; SWAP's perseverance and the confidence placed in fungal bioremediation by the late Joe Harawira; the significant journey and involvement taken by SWAP, Ngāti Awa kaumātua, scientists, technicians and officials during the bioremediation trials; and the collaborative efforts of the local councils, community and above-mentioned.
- Acknowledged the Regional Council for providing the community a level of comfort in the process; and recognised the utilisation of western science alongside Ngāti Awatanga in the process.

In response to questions:

- Ms Toka noted that a documentary ([The Green Chain](#)) had been made, which followed the story of the late Joe Harawira and his battle to reveal the impact of workplace toxins on his community (refer link: <https://www.boprc.govt.nz/our-projects/cleaning-up-the-kopeopeo-canal>).

Members' Comments:

- Commended SWAP and CLG representatives and the use of Ngāti Awatanga-Mātauranga Māori in the process;
- Noted that the Kopeopeo Canal Remediation Project had been the subject of Council's Audit and Risk Committee for the past 8-9 years and that despite the challenges with the science and contaminated soil, Council was committed to getting rid of contaminated sites and supporting the education of future generations.

### 8.3 Ministry for the Environment – NES-FM and Crown Māori Relations

Refer PowerPoint Presentation [A3078723](#).

Ministry for the Environment (MfE) Officials Mr Robert McClean and Mr Ben Dickson gave a presentation on the MfE's new approach to the Crown/Māori Relationship for Shared Interests in Freshwater.

Key points:

- Outlined the Government's key priorities: zero carbon, freshwater and making housing affordable; and advised of Resource Management Act (RMA) provisions, which were under review to: reinstate the discretion for councils to notify subdivision consents; introduce higher infringement fines for RMA breaches; with further Government reforms planned after the next election to strengthen environmental protections and look at better ways to build houses;
- MfE's Essential Freshwater objectives as part of the new approach for shared interests in Freshwater were to: stop further degradation and loss, reverse past damage and address allocation;
- Actions would include: amendments to the RMA and NPS; introduction of a new National Environmental Standard for Freshwater to be in force by 2020; targeted action and investment in at-risk catchment; wide engagement on developing options for allocating water resources; and ongoing future policy framework development, underpinned by a planned approach for transition;
- An advisory network incorporating a range of perspectives had been setup to assist the Government that included a Kahui Wai Māori Freshwater Forum to gain Te Ao Māori perspectives;
- MfE would undertake wide consultation on preferred options in 2019 before final decisions were made by Ministers;
- Minister for the Environment had released a two-staged approach to RMA reforms in November:
  - Stage 1: contained a narrow set of changes including provisions for regional councils to upgrade groups of consents in line with updated Standards to help speed the clean-up of rivers, was anticipated to be introduced into Parliament in 2019; opportunity for input via the select committee process;
  - Stage 2: a more comprehensive review of the system to commence in 2019;
- The Three Waters Review had commenced by the Department of Internal Affairs, as part of an ongoing reform programme to transform drinking water, wastewater and stormwater; would incorporate recommendations on regulatory arrangements for drinking water and wastewater anticipated in mid-2019; discussion on service delivery and economic regulation with options expected by end 2019;
- The document titled, 'Shared Interests in Freshwater – A new approach to the Crown/Māori Relationship for Freshwater (October 2018)' outlined options for consideration, with copies made available and accessible from MfE's website;

In response to questions:

- Regarding how MfE could assist councils to ensure tangata whenua had capacity to participate in the process, was something that MfE grappled with and did not have the answers to, but were striving to achieve engagement that was equitable and reflective of all viewpoints;
- Noted that the 'Shared Interests in Freshwater' document's appendix discussed engagement with Māori and Central and Local Government support, which options would be advised by the Minister in the coming weeks;

- MfE did not have a position on water bottling and the selling of water for profit, which would be addressed and directed by Central Government in 2019; but did have a position on wider water environment and moving New Zealand into a circular economy of reducing waste, recycling and re-use;

## 9 Reports

### 9.1 Update - He Korowai Matauranga (Matauranga Māori Framework)

*Refer Tabled Document Number 1.*

Strategic Engagement Manager Kataraina O'Brien presented the *He Korowai Mātauranga Framework* document (HKM) (refer Tabled Document 1) and Roadmap for endorsement.

#### Key points:

- HKM was approved by Komiti Māori in 27 February 2018 however, had undergone refinements;
- Noted HKM had been informed by a series of interviews with tangata whenua practitioners across the rohe;
- HKM implementation would be an important programme of work for the Council, with the draft implementation plan anticipated in June 2019. The development of the implementation would require cross-organisation input and commitment.

#### In response to questions:

- Implementation was fit for purpose to: bridge the gap, build knowledge and capacity between western science and Mātauranga Māori;
- Development and rollout would involve collaboration, feedback and commitment of relevant staff groupings from across the organisation;
- Regional Direction and Delivery (RDD) Committee's role in the implementation rollout was yet to be decided and was subject to feedback, following completion of the draft implementation plan in June 2019.

#### Members' Comments:

- Staff to consider collaborating with other councils in the region who had the same requirements, opportunities for competency training for the benefit of tangata whenua across the rohe;
- Questioned whether the budget needed to be reviewed to match the needs of implementation as it evolved;
- Sought consideration of enabling tangata whenua capacity to participate and respond to the implementation process;
- Sought consideration for the final HKM implementation plan to be socialised with Council and/or RDD, viewing it as being vital to the future business of Council.

## Resolved

### That Komiti Māori:

- 1 **Receives the report, Update - He Korowai Matauranga (Mātauranga Māori Framework);**

- 2 **Endorse the Finalised He Korowai Mātauranga Framework document, an internal staff resource.**
- 3 **Endorse the He Korowai Mātauranga Roadmap (outlined under section 5 of the report) to develop an Implementation Plan that is fit for purpose.**

**Tahana/Marr  
CARRIED**

## **Change to Order of Business**

The Chair advised that agenda item 9.3 'Other Matters of Interest' report would be received next on the agenda.

### **9.2 Other Matters of Interest**

*Refer Movie Clip [HandsOnWater\\_5min\\_V04](#)*

Strategic Engagement Manager Kataraina O'Brien highlighted key points from the report and introduced summer students Maia Eruera, Hannah Bakker and Winiata Tahau-Anderson who gave a brief kōrero on their studies and initial perspectives of working at Council.

A video was played highlighting the Hands on Water event that was held on 14-15 November 2018.

### **Resolved**

**That Komiti Māori:**

- 1 **Receives the report, Other Matters of Interest.**

**Tahana/Thurston  
CARRIED**

### **9.3 Toi Moana Komiti Māori 2018 Highlights**

Strategic Engagement Manager Kataraina O'Brien summarised points from the report.

Key points:

- Noted Komiti Māori was unique in that it held all of its meetings on marae to enable councillors to engage with tangata whenua and the community;
- Highlighted Komiti Māori's support of: the summer student internship programme; He Korowai Matauranga – Mātauranga Māori Framework; He Toka Tumoana – Toi Moana Environmental Scholarship; Hearing Commissioner sponsorship for Iwi representatives; providing input and feedback into Māori engagement; monitoring responsiveness to Māori; Pou Ngaio and RMA training for Māori;
- Acknowledged Council's endeavours to support and assist tangata whenua capacity;
- Komiti Māori's support had led to a new Mātauranga Māori Scientist role and RMA Māori Planner being established through Council's Long Term Plan, both of which would be recruited in 2019;

### **Resolved**

**That Komiti Māori:**

- 1 **Receives the report, Toi Moana Komiti Māori 2018 Highlights;**
- 2 **Notes the Terms of Reference may be amended in 2019 to give effect to related outcomes in the Long Term Plan (2018-2028).**

**Thurston/McDonald  
CARRIED**

## 10 **Open Forum**

### 10.1 **Mr Te Poari Newton - Ngāti Tura/Te Ngakau**

- Acknowledged Council's efforts in relation to banks repairs undertaken at Parawai Marae, Ngongotahā, prior to the April 2018 floods;
- Noted high level E.coli readings in the Ngongotahā and Waitetī streams in Rotorua had been reported at a recent catchment meeting, which was raised as a concern for tangata whenua. Mr Newton noted that tangata whenua had not been informed of the results and wished to be informed of such matters in future;
- Informed of a breakdown in communication where Ngāti Tura/Te Ngakau and Ngāti Whakaue had not been notified of Resource consents 68220 and 67343 regarding disposal of contaminated waste at Kahikatea/Waikuta wetlands and at the top of Paradise Valley Spring, which Mr Newton requested to be addressed.

### 10.2 **Mr Maru Tapsell - Waitaha representation on Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority**

Mr Tapsell raised for consideration the unresolved issue of Waitaha's joint membership on Te Maru o Kaituna River Authority (TMOK), as a result of the 2012 Tapuika Treaty Settlement and the requirement for planning documents to take into account the Waitaha Deed of Settlement.

A member acknowledged the ongoing issue, noting the challenge and how Council was unable to resolve the matter due to TMOK being established by Crown Settlement.

## 11 **Closing Karakia**

Kaumatua George Raerino acknowledged Komiti Māori and speakers before closing the meeting with a karakia.

**The meeting closed at 1.42 pm.**

**CONFIRMED: DATE**

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Chairperson



# **Presentations**



# Reports





**Receives Only – No Decisions**

**Report To:** Komiti Māori

**Meeting Date:** 12 February 2019

**Report From:** Kataraina O'Brien, Strategic Engagement Manager

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## **General Manager Update**

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### **Executive Summary**

This is the first meeting in 2019 for Komiti Maori. This report provides a snapshot of matters of interest, including:

- A brief summary introducing Tahuwhakatiki Marae; Komiti Maori appreciates being invited to marae to engage directly with tangata whenua. It's important to acknowledge the history of each marae the committee holds its meetings at.
- Presentation from Ngā Pōtiki representatives; this is an opportunity for tangata whenua to present directly to councillors on their aspirations and/or matters of concern.
- A presentation update from staff on the Geothermal Programme.
- Te Aka Putaiao – Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiarangi; A programme of study to build knowledge and understanding of mātauranga Māori. We will hear directly from the tutors about this opportunity for staff.
- Te Arawhiti – Office of Māori Crown Relations; Provides a brief update on the newly formed government department.
- SOLGM Innovation in Community Relations Award; Komiti Māori will be nominated for this award.
- Kotahitanga Summer Students 2019; our students will speak to the committee about their work experience at Toi Moana.
- Engineering Survey Cadet; succession planning and work opportunity.
- Komiti Māori Post Meeting Actions; follow up on actions from the previous meeting held on 4 December 2018.

### **Recommendations**

**That Komiti Māori:**

- 1 Receives the report, General Manager Update.**

## 1 Tahuwhakatiki Marae

Tahuwhakatiki Marae is one of two marae associated with Ngā Pōtiki in Tauranga Moana. Located near the Waitao Stream, Te Tahuna or Rangataua and below Kopukairoa Maunga, the marae is also known as Romai by locals. The fully carved whareniui 'Rongomainohorangi' (aka 'Romainohorangi') commemorates a renowned Mataatua ancestor and the whare manaaki (hall) commemorates his wife 'Tuwairua' also an ancestor of note who belonged to Ngāti Pūkenga.

The Marae was established in 1911 on land donated by the 19th Century Nga Pōtiki leader Eruera Te Tauhou. The whakairo were produced at the Maori Arts and Crafts Institute, Whakarewarewa in classic Te Arawa style under the direction of master carver Hoani Taiapa. The two pieces on the mahau are more recent and based on whakairo from the whareniui 'Tamapahore' carved by master carver Meihana Tawakura of Nga Pōtiki / Ngāti Awa in 1896.

### 1.1 Ngā Pōtiki

Ngā Pōtiki is an abbreviation for Ngā Pōtiki a Tamapahore, the descendants of Tamapahore.

It was on the death of Te Rangihouhiri at Poporohuamea that Tamapahore comes to prominence. Tamapahore and his family and followers moved to the Pāpāmoa area establishing pā at Mangatawa and Te Akau a Pāpāmoa from Parakiri to Maketū and inland to Ōtawa and Te Tahuna o Rangataua. Tamapahore's sons and grandchildren took the name Ngā Pōtiki a Tamapahore and through them his mana extended across Rangataua, Pāpāmoa, Otawa and to Maketū. The whakapapa demonstrates the kinship relationship between the descendants of Rangihouhiri and Tamapahore, while also acknowledging the distinct groups that descend from the half-brothers, Rangihouhiri and Tamapahore.

There are two Ngā Pōtiki marae namely; Mangatawa, which over-looks the Pāpāmoa area and Tahuwhakatiki located at Waitao and Te Tahuna o Rangataua. Ngā Pōtiki continues to maintain extremely close whakapapa links and relationships to their surrounding whanaunga namely Ngāti He and Ngāti Pūkenga are collectively known as Ngā Pāpaka o Rangataua (The Crabs of Rangataua). Ngā Pōtiki kaitiakitanga derives from continuous land use, occupation and active protection of its cultural landscape and seascape.

Kia marama taku titiro ki Tauranga  
Ko Rangihouhiri, Ko Ranginui  
Kei Rangataua, Ko Tamapahore  
Nga Pāpaka o Rangataua  
He paruparu te kai  
He taniwha nga Tangata

Keenly I look across to Tauranga  
There dwells Te Rangihouhiri and Ranginui  
Over at Te Tahuna o Rangataua dwells Tamapahore  
The crabs of Rangataua  
They eat mud, and have the boldness of demigods

## 2 Presentations

### 2.1 Ngā Pōtiki Spatial Planning and Matters of Interest

Nga Pōtiki Resource Management Unit are keen to explore options and opportunities to develop a spatial plan for the Rangataua catchment area. The plans will consist of both a marine and land spatial plan to provide all stakeholders at all levels with a common strategy for sustainability and growth.

The need comes at a time when climate change, population growth and infrastructure demands are urgent issues. Nga Pōtiki rohe covers an area that includes one of the biggest housing growth arteries in the Bay of Plenty - Pāpāmoa.

This high growth area severs Nga Pōtiki rohe from its marine and foreshore taonga of traditional kaimoana and historic landmarks. Likewise, there are many wāhi tapu sites difficult for tangata whenua to access because they are on private property. These issues are only one of many that have been increasingly confronting Nga Pōtiki for some time.

Ngā Pōtiki are keen to receive advice and support from Toi Moana for this project.

General Manager of Ngā Potiki Tamapahore Trust Matire Duncan will be at the meeting to present on this kaupapa.



*Photo 1 : Tahuwhakatiki Marae*

### 2.2 Te Tahuna o Rangataua Heritage New Zealand Application

In September 2018 Heritage New Zealand (Pouhere Taonga) received an application for Te Tahuna o Rangataua for entry onto the NZ Heritage list by Colin Reeder. This is a continuation of the legacy of Turirangi Te Kani and Wiremu Ohia. The Tahuna o Rangataua (Rangataua Bay) is steeped in a rich history of Maori connection to the surrounding hills and body of water. To this end, Pouhere Taonga considers this application worthy of listing and are seeking submissions of the application from the community. The submission period ends on the 19 February 2019.

Mr Reeder will present the kaupapa at Komiti Māori highlighting the importance of this application for him and his people, to protect and preserve their special place, Te Tahuna o Rangataua. Ngā Pōtiki are seeking support from Toi Moana for their application to Pouhere Taonga.

### 2.3 Geothermal Programme Update

At this meeting staff will provide a presentation to update Komiti Māori on the Geothermal Programme.

### 2.4 Te Whare Wananga o Awanuiārangi - Te Aka Pūtaiao Programme

This level 5 course provided by Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi provides a sound foundation for those wanting to better understand environmental protection and management underpinned by mātauranga Māori, mātauranga taiao and how these specific sets of knowledge interacts and interfaces with contemporary western science.

The Bay of Plenty Regional Council's internal Mātauranga Māori Framework document "He Korowai Mātauranga" will soon be implemented to give effect to three Muka or "strands or categories" that focus on the following:

1. Developing cultural responsiveness tools to support staff;
2. Preparing a relationship strategy that will enhance staff capability to respond to Māori; and
3. Building a repository of mātauranga for staff that is centralised and managed in collaboration with Māori.

The 'Te Aka Pūtaiao' programme is an opportunity to grow confidence in dealing with aspects of Mātauranga Māori and Māori communities to achieve the common goals we share. With enough demand there is the possibility that a targeted course focussing on council staff can be developed to specifically target key requirements and opportunities to instil mātauranga Māori throughout the business of council.

For further information on Te Aka Pūtaiao from Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi:

**Phone:** 0508 926264

**Email:** [enquiries@wananga.ac.nz](mailto:enquiries@wananga.ac.nz)

**Website:** [www.wananga.ac.nz](http://www.wananga.ac.nz)

## 3 Te Arawhiti – Office of Maori Crown Relations Update

In early 2018 Cabinet agreed to establish the 'Office for Maori Crown Relations – Te Arawhiti', a new agency to help facilitate the Maori Crown relationship. Te Arawhiti began operating on 1 January 2019 as a departmental agency supported by the Ministry of Justice. It draws together several functions including: Treaty Settlements, Takutai Moana (Marine and Coastal Area), Post Settlement Commitments Unit and Maori Crown Relations. Te Arawhiti reports to the Hon Kelvin Davis (Minister for Maori Crown Relations) and Hon Andrew Little (Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations).

Representatives from Te Arawhiti will be invited to present to a future Komiti Māori meeting.

For more information about Te Arawhiti phone (04) 494 9800 or through their website: [www.tearawhiti.govt.nz](http://www.tearawhiti.govt.nz)

All content relating to Treaty Settlements (including access to settlement documentation) via website: <https://www.govt.nz/organisations/treaty-settlements-roopu>



All information around Takutai Moana applications can be accessed at [www.tearawhiti.govt.nz](http://www.tearawhiti.govt.nz) and is no longer available on the Ministry of Justice website.

#### **4 SOLMG Nomination for the Innovation in Community Relations Award**

Komiti Māori is to be nominated for the New Zealand Society of Local Government Managers (SOLGM) Innovation in Community Relations Award. This award recognises programmes and project initiatives that demonstrate outstanding results through innovative means of community engagement or community empowerment. The application is due on 8 February 2019.

#### **5 Kotahitanga Summer Student Internship 2019**

In November 2018 Toi Moana Bay of Plenty Regional Council recruited 30 tertiary students into the annual summer student internship programme. Kotahitanga (the Maori Policy and Community Engagement Team) acquired two new students this year - Winiata Anderson and Maia Eruera.

Through the summer student programme our two students gained a wealth of knowledge. They were able to acquire new skills, broaden networks and contribute to iwi development. They also enjoyed the opportunity to work in Local government and now have a better understanding and working knowledge of Councils roles, responsibilities and day-to-day operations.

##### **Ngā Taura o Kotahitanga – Students of Kotahitanga**

###### **5.1 Winiata Anderson**



Winiata descends from Ngāti Awa. He has recently completed his Bachelor of Laws degree at the University of Waikato. This is Winiata's first year as a summer student for Toi Moana and spent his time working with the Māori Policy Team.

Through the role he has acquired a wide-range of practical skills and acknowledges that the experience has shaped and developed his personal and professional capacity to join the work force. He found the role challenging, particularly learning to navigate through the corporate and office space, but extremely rewarding at the same time.

Winiata hopes to eventually establish a career in the legal sector and remain in the Bay of Plenty rohe close to his whānau and friends. He is extremely grateful for the opportunity to be part of the Summer Student internship of 2019 and encourages taura to apply for a student position next year.

Congratulations to Winiata as he was the successful applicant for the role of Kaituhituhi within the Māori Policy Team.

## 5.2 Maia Eruera



Maia is of Ngāti Awa descent. This year will be her third year studying towards a Bachelor of Commerce degree with an information systems, commercial law and management major at Victoria University.

This is Maia's first year as a summer student for Toi Moana Bay of Plenty Regional Council. She has relished working within Kotahitanga and utilised administration, coordination and liaison opportunities to encourage capacity and capability building in many areas.

Maia plans to complete her degree in the next two years and eventually return home to the sunny Bay of Plenty. She's thoroughly enjoyed her time as a summer student and looks forward to returning to Toi Moana as a summer student in years to come.

## 6 Survey Cadet – Engineering Section



The Engineering Section welcomes Hunter Smith into the new position of Survey Cadet.

This new role will begin future proofing the existing survey team and create opportunity for a new generation of surveyor/engineer to improve, seek and utilize the latest in surveying technologies involving GPS, drones/remote sensing and GIS (Geographical Information Systems)

Through this cadetship, Hunter will be sponsored by Bay of Plenty Regional Council to complete a diploma in Civil Engineering through the NZ Institute of Highway Technology.

In his role, Hunter will survey and monitor the region's rivers, lakes, streams, coastlines and large earthwork projects in the flood protection sector.

Working with water and soil the community will provide a direct connection to our wonderful environment that is becoming more precious and important as the years go by.

This is a great opportunity for a young man from Te Puke to develop and be engaged in a dynamic and global industry. We wish him well in the completion of his diploma.

## 7 Komiti Maori Post Meeting Actions

At the last Komiti Maori hui held at Te Hokowhitu A Tu Marae on 4 December 2018, actions arose and required post-meeting follow up. Refer to Appendix 1 for the Post Meeting Actions table which gives an update of previous actions.

## **8 Implications for Māori**

Section 81 of the Local Government Act Councils must foster the capacity of Māori to contribute to decision making processes of Council. This committee is conduit to enable direct Māori engagement.

Māori interests and recognition of them are continuing to have a rising profile and are represented in the matters presented in items summarised in this report.

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**Maori Policy Advisor**

**for Strategic Engagement Manager**

**31 January 2019**



# **APPENDIX 1**

## **Komiti Maori Actions December 2018**



## Bay of Plenty Regional Council Komiti Māori – Post Meeting Actions

No	Issue or report item	Raised by	Action	Referred to	Date referred and due by	Progress/ Comments
<b>ACTIONS FROM KOMITI MĀORI HELD ON 4 December 2018</b>						
Code	Issue	Raised by	Action	Referred to	Date referred and due by	Progress/comments
1	He Korowai Matauranga	Cr Tahana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation Plan - Roadmap to be presented to Komiti Maori in June 2019 for approval.</li> </ul>	Katerina Pihera-Ridge	In progress	Present the Draft Implementation Plan to Komiti Māori and Regional Direction and Delivery Committees by July 2019.
2	Waitetī Marae	Te Poari Newton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High levels of ecoli readings in the Ngongotaha and Waiteti streams had been reported at a recent catchment meeting, which has raised concern for tangata whenua. Mr Newton noted that tangata whenua had not been informed of the results and wished to be informed of such matters in future.</li> <li>There is a communication breakdown where Ngati Tura/Te Ngakau and Ngati Whakaue had not been notified of Resource Consents 68220 and 67343 regarding disposal of contaminated waste at Kahikatea/Waikuta wetlands and at the top of Paradise Valley Springs, which Mr Newton requested to be addressed.</li> </ul>	Katerina Pihera-Ridge and Reuben Fraser	In progress	This action is scheduled to be on the Komiti Māori agenda at the hui in Ōkurei on 9 April 2019.
<b>ACTIONS FROM KOMITI MĀORI HELD ON 9 October 2018</b>						
Code	Issue	Raised by	Action	Date referred and due by	Date referred and due by	Progress/comments

## Bay of Plenty Regional Council Komiti Māori – Post Meeting Actions

No	Issue or report item	Raised by	Action	Referred to	Date referred and due by	Progress/ Comments
1	<b>Te Komiro o Te Utuhina issues:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noxious weeds</li> <li>Stormwater inflow management</li> <li>Erosion and pollution</li> <li>Sedimentation</li> <li>Significant Natural sites</li> </ul>	Laurence, Lani Kereopa, Greg Allen.	To address the issues raised by Te Komiro o Te Utuhina and Council Staff.	Rosemary Cross, Helen Creagh, Chris Ingle (BOPRC)  Starvos Michael, Jenny Riini (RLC)	Completed	Issues actioned following the hui held with key representatives of Te Komiro o Te Utuhina, BOPRC, RLC and TALT on 25 October 2018.  <i>This action has taken two months to complete.</i>
3	<b>Treetops Ltd</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Possible dam breach</li> <li>BOPRC boundary clarification</li> </ul>	Eru George	BOPRC consents team identified the consents were historically issued by WRC but should sit with BOPRC. This issue is currently being worked through.	Terry Long Reuben Fraser (BOPRC)	In progress	Meetings have transpired between the relevant parties.
1	Ngāpuna Air Pollution	Peter Staite	BOPRC staff to continue to monitor the air pollution issues and keep in contact with Peter Staite.	Stephen Mellor (BOPRC)	Incomplete  Next Komiti Māori in Ōkurei 2019	Report update at the next Ōkurei Komiti Māori.  <i>This Action was first raised at the April 2018 hui in Ōkurei.</i>

### Code Key

1	Incomplete
3	In progress
1	Complete
5	<b>Total</b>



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