

TE KAPU O WAITAHA AUGUST 2022 PANUI

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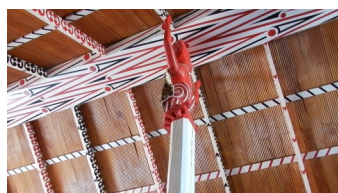


PATHWAY TO HOUSING PROJECT



A housing project has been established to facilitate home ownership, with the option for whanau to build on their own land located at Manoeka Road. There has been a growing response of whanau registrations with land interests and a desire to build their own homes, which also includes Papakianga development. There will be a meeting of various blocks to establish trusts and appoint Trustees Sunday **25th September, held at TKOW Offices 2 Dunlop Road**. For more information contact veroni@waitaha-iwi.org.nz

WAITAHA TIKANGA - TAIAO WANANGA



The Taiao team has recently developed a mauri model to guide the monitoring of the health of Otawa and Maungaruahine. 6 wananga will be held over the remainder of the year which will include also tikanga in relation to Tangaroa (the marine costal). These wananga will help ensure the integrity to Whakairinga korero principles in relation to the Treaty Settlement Claim. 1st wananga is **Sunday 28th August Hei Marae commencing 9.00am**. NAU MAI.

PATAKA KAI PROJECT



Waitaha, and Tapuika are part of a pilot scheme for Te Maru O Kaituna River Authority - Pataka Kai project. This involves mahi to determine a baseline of aquatic species and eco systems of what may have existed in the past. The focus will be to help improve the natural habitat and fish species. More importantly is that Waitaha and Tapuika has been given the opportunity to participate and lead this project, via a small contract.

WAIARI



The final buildings and pipes are starting to take shape on the Waiāri Water Supply intake facility and the plant. A tour is being planned for iwi and the wider community early next year. Starting Monday 15 August, there will be traffic management in place on Poplar Lane, traffic will be reduced to 1 lane, the re-commissioning work is expected to be completed 22.08.2022.

TE UKU O TAKAKOPIRI



Papamoa Regional Park upgrades Progress to date; Site blessing by Joshua Te Kani, Mokoera Te Amo, saw the commencement of construction for the new car park, March 2022. Aroha Ririnui was the cultural monitor onsite for this project. We have also requested Matariki at the summit for 2023.

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NEW TE PUKE SUBDIVISION DEVELOPMENTS



As land runs out in Papamoa, we are seeing some significant new housing developments in Te Puke. One development located at the end of Dunlop Road plans to build 320 houses. This development was named by Whareoteriri as Te Mania. Street names have been provided by our koeke and submitted to the developer. Wharekonehu is also the cultural monitor on this site. These opportunities add another dimension to Waitaha past and present.

COMMERCIAL PRIORITIES

The key priority areas for the Directors; is to get the retirement village consent. Plan changes, introduced GOVT policies, and remedial works required on the land has impacted time, and initial proposals. These matters are being worked through with a number of parties. Meetings have also been held with WBOPDC CEO to indicate interest in any commercial opportunities, some have been identified in the District Plan. Directors will continue to maximise returns from Kopuroa, considering GA License transfer for better returns. Further updates to come.

KAITIAKI PROJECTS

Otawa pest control project is underway with tracks and traps being established. A suite of training has occurred over the past few months, including GIS mapping tools, Health and safety, and First Aid. Meanwhile Maungaruahine mahi continues. Future focus in the coming months will be signage, formalising tracks, and car park upgrade areas. This mahi is in addition to the upcoming wananga for mauri monitoring.

ADMINISTERING CONSERVATION LANDS

The Trust is responsible for administering Ottawa, and Maungaruahine along with other conservation areas. We will work toward greater management and control within the capacity of iwi administration and kaitiaki. Our aim is to make sure our ngahere is thriving, is safe, and not being exploited, but looked after and respected by all.

GRANTS SCHOLARSHIPS

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The discretionary grant is open for applications. Tertiary grants will be open later this year for application. You can apply online via the Trust Website. OR download the Trust APP.

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ADMIN VACANCY	SUPPORT Thanks to those who applied for the The Trust administration Support position. Applications are now closed.
TE REO OKERE	Te Reo Okere has continued this year funded partly by the Trust and Te Maataawai. A key focus this year has been to enhance historical and whakapapa knowledge by holding wananga at the various marae throughout Tauranga Moana. The success of this wananga is attributed to those who have committed, including the pouako. Appreciation also acknowledges Punohu for her support despite the winter months.
MARAЕ GRANT	The Trust continues to support Hei marae, and therefore Waitaha whaanui. The Trust approves annually a marae grant which covers insurance, necessary for the protection of taonga, and buildings.
KOEKE GRANT	We are doing some mahi to establish a future grant for koeke. While some discussion has been had, we are open to further suggestions and thoughts around this. A priority area highlighted has been health & wellbeing. This is a work in progress with a lot more mahi to do in this area . Any input is welcomed. We will keep you informed.
XMAS AT THE PA	Funding will be made available to support Xmas at the pa for mokopuna this year. Please forward any enquiry or grant application to tearangi@waitaha-iwi.org.nz .

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TRUST ELECTIONS



TRUST ELECTIONS	<p>To vote, or be nominated you first must be a registered beneficiary. The roll is currently open for registering, and will close 8 September. A hui will be called for Sunday, 18th September to clarify the election process and requirements. Voting will be by the Trust APP. Paper vote forms will only be issued to those who have no electronic means voting. If you need help with the APP, email; comms@waitaha-iwi.org.nz during Office hours of 9.00am - 4.00pm</p>
TREATY CLAIM INFO HUI	<p>In response to whanau requests, a hui will be held to explain the Treaty Settlement Claim, and its importance in today's climate. This hui will be especially relevant for those wanting to stand for Trustee elections this year on the Board as Waitaha Treaty Claim knowledge is a candidate requirement. The hui will be at Hei Marae 30th 6.30pm - 7.30pm.</p>
NOMINATION FORMS FOR TRUSTEE ELECTIONS	<p>Nomination forms can be downloaded from the Trust website, or requested via email to Board secretary, vivienne@waitaha-iwi.org.nz</p>
ELECTION INFO MEETING	<p>As a result of the Charter review, there have been some slight changes in respect of Elections. In order to explain these changes, we will host an information hui at Hei Marae Sunday 18th 2022 9.30am - 10.30am. A zoom link will be made available at this meeting.</p>
TRUSTEE VACANCIES THIS YEAR	<p>There are 2 vacancies for election this year. (a) 1 CASUAL vacancy with a remaining term of 12 months, and (b) 1 vacancy for a full 3 year term. Nominees will be required to identify which vacancy they are standing for on the nomination form.</p>