



# TE KAWEKAWEA

**23 December 2022**

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E Taranaki Whānui, tēnā koutou katoa

## ***Meri Kirihimete***

As we head into the final days of the year, we find ourselves reflecting on the things that challenged us, the opportunities that were provided to us, the development of new partnerships and strengthening of old ones.

It was a mixed bag of a year, which moved quickly but felt as though it took a lot from us all.

We are left with the feeling however that we are on the brink of some great things for our capital city, and for us as iwi mana whenua.

For those that have lost someone special, our thoughts are with you. For those facing difficult times, we send our strength. For those embarking on new adventures, we wish you well with your future endeavours.

From your whānau at the Trust, we wish all a safe Christmas break and hope that wherever you are, you are able to share the time with friends and whānau.

## **Mātaimoana**

Our commercial arm, Taranaki Whānui Limited, with support from Trustees and development partner The Wellington Company, have developed and submitted an application to the Minister for the Environment seeking a referral for our proposed development of Mātaimoana through the Fasttrack Consenting Process.

The site, as you may be aware, along with the entire Crown landholding on the Miramar Peninsula (Motu Kairangi) formed a key part of our Settlement with the Crown.

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We have waited in anticipation for the opportunity of the whenua to be returned via the first right of refusal option, noting of course that this opportunity does come with significant purchase cost of \$23.3m.

We have worked hard, and in partnership with Crown, including the Ministry of Housing Urban Development (MHUD) and other Crown agencies (including LINZ) to identify a pathway forward that will meet our cultural, social, commercial, and environmental objectives.

The development of Mātaimoana proposes to deliver between 650 – 700 new homes in what will be, our newest kāinga, which its design and development will be underpinned by our Taranaki Whānui principles:

- Our whenua – connect, revitalise, grow, teach, learn, sustain, utilise and acknowledge.
- Our moana – vitality, nurture, spiritual, peace, pure, respect.
- Our awa – tranquil, serene, joy, signs, sacred, power.
- Our uri – empower, unity, Iwi, Hapū, Whanau, marae, aroha.

It is proposed that Mātaimoana will be underpinned by a perpetual leasehold model – which enables us to retain the whenua and applying the key design outcomes which are summarised below:

- To create a legacy to be admired, celebrated, and cultivated further for the prosperity of our future generations
- Setting goals and expectations which will ensure that we are driving towards new heights of growth and development in a way that intimately builds on our identity as Taranaki Whānui
- To ensure that Mātaimoana embraces the presence of Taranaki Whānui to maintain prominence, guardianship, culture, and identity of the surrounding whenua, awa and moana.

Most importantly we want to provide a housing future for our uri, the community and a tupuna legacy for our mokopuna who are yet to come and want to live within our takiwā.

We are ensuring that our aspiration for Mātaimoana is based on papakāinga principles, which can be seen in the [attached](#) draft piece of work completed by Len Hetet which helped inform us when crafting the application. This document will help guide us in this mahi and we will, if the application is referred, seek further participation, direction, guidance and support from uri as to the design, and other elements of our kāinga project.

It is proposed that Mātaimoana will be delivered by Taranaki Whānui in partnership with The Wellington Company and MHUD and a Tai Hekenga consortium pursuant to the land for housing programme. This is a key partnering opportunity for Crown and Mana Whenua as we collectively respond to the housing crisis and challenges we have for our own uri and others who reside in our takiwā.

We are excited for our people and the opportunity this will present if the application is approved. We, like you, wish to be able to get on with the mahi needed to create what will be for us, a very special part of our takiwā, and a catalyst for wider opportunities across Motu Kairangi and Miramar Peninsula.

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We invite you to read the high level business case the supports the application [here](#)

## Shelly Bay Taikuru and Kororā Management Plan

As earlier shared with whānau, a group of leading kororā experts and uri have been working collaboratively to develop a management plan that seeks to protect our taonga at Shelly Bay Taikuru.

The work that has been undertaken has received great support from Department of Conservation, who are currently assessing the application.

This begins work to inform us to create a Taranaki Whānui position on kororā in and around our great harbour.

We thank all those involved in creating this document which you can read [here](#).

Please also make sure to check our website regularly so as not to miss the many opportunities this project will provide us for the next foreseeable future.



## Kōrero Mai with Holden Hohaia

Kia ora koutou

Thank you to everyone who responded to the survey for the Regulatory Process Committee papers that we considered last. Obviously there are a number of improvements that we need to make to our survey methodology and we will work on those prior to the next committee pack coming out around 26 Jan for the Environment and Infrastructure (EIC) Committee Scheduled for 2 Feb.

We had 16 people respond to the survey, and those who responded voted 142 times on the individual resolutions and provided 15 unique comments. Broadly the votes and comments indicated good support for all of the papers with the exception of the proposal to stop part of the Orangi Kaupapa Rd Reserve so it could be sold to an adjoining home owner. On that paper the comments centred around the theme that the land proposed to be disposed should be returned to iwi. For that reason I moved an amendment (which was unanimously supported by the Committee) that the land be first offered back to iwi. In addition the Council Chief Planner advised me that he will be reviewing their processes so that ALL proposals for disposal of Council owned land first go through an offer back process with iwi.

Ka pai whānau, thanks again to those who participated. Your input was really helpful and it gave me confidence about how I should be advocating for your interests. Keep an eye out for the EIC papers that I will publish on this platform around 26 Jan ahead of the 2 Feb meeting. Have a safe and relaxing summer holiday everyone!!

Ngā mihi aroha ki a koutou e te whānau o Taranaki Whānui ki te Upoko o te Ika.

Holden

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## Opportunities for Members

### iReX – Two Islands, One Iconic Connection

#### Discount for Members

The iReX project (redevelopment of Waitohi and Kaiwharawhara ferry terminals), Thanks to our partners at Interislander and our māngai who sit on the Te Au o Rehutai governance board for the redevelopment of the Kaiwharawhara terminal, we are excited to share with members that in 2023 all verified members of the Trust will be eligible for a competitive discount rate for peak and off peak travel on the Interislander.

Cruising on the Interislander is made easier with these amazing rates. To take advantage you will need to be a registered member of Taranaki Whānui (PNBST) – contact us at [reception@portnicholson.org.nz](mailto:reception@portnicholson.org.nz) to receive your membership number.

#### Expressions of Interest | Iwi Cultural Health Monitor

We are still in search of uri who are interested in Iwi Cultural Health Monitor roles. The need is still there, and a role available – at a start part time, but there with a view to moving quickly to increased hours. The role will be responsible for cultural monitoring and other cultural and management responsibilities for the iReX project. On a day-to-day basis the cultural health monitor will work closely with the environmental, design and construction managers and staff and will also be a conduit for Te Au o Rehutai and the Trust.

If this sounds like something you're interested in, or you'd like to know more, [email](#) us with a copy of your CV and a short statement as to your interest and experience.

### Staying Connected

As previously announced, the Trust is moving to a new member database system. The system is called "Tiki-OS", which is a software package built especially for iwi registrations. [Click here read more about Tiki-OS.](#)

One of the key benefits of this new system is that members will be able to log in online and view and update their own details. The software is also currently used by some of our whanaunga iwi entities, so we hope that several of our members are already familiar with it.

We are currently working with the software provider to transfer the data to the new system, and please bear with us, as we will be dedicating time to ensuring all of the data is transferred completely and accurately. We are aiming for the new system to be fully functional by March/April 2023.

At this stage, we don't require anything further from you, and keep an eye out in our upcoming pānui as this project progresses.

If you have moved house, changed your email or phone number please get in touch with us or update your details by [Clicking Here](#)