



Mauri Ora

Te Ihu o te Waka o Te Arawa Work Programme

Mauri Ora has been developed by Te Ihu o te Waka o Te Arawa. It draws on the work of Tangata Whenua within the rohe and Te Ara Mua, the plan developed by the joint partnership forum. This plan signifies the efforts of Te Ihu o te Waka o Te Arawa to meet the aspirations of Tangata Whenua within the western Bay takiwā.

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INTRODUCTION

Te Ihu o te Waka o Te Arawa was established following the disestablishment of the Tauranga Moana and Te Arawa ki Tai Joint Partnership Forum to enhance and increase the opportunity to contribute to Local Government decision making to achieve better outcomes for Māori. The Forum consists of Te Arawa iwi and hapū within the Western Bay of Plenty District Council rohe together with the Te Puke Ward Councillors and the Mayor.

Mauri Ora has been developed to provide the means by which Te Ihu o te Waka o Te Arawa will achieve its purpose. This plan provides for Ngā Take Kiko (Issues of substance) to be identified and categorised for the purpose of creating a work programme (Ngā Kaihoe) for the forum with clear aspirations, actions, and timeframes to drive outcomes for Ngā Take Kiko. The aim is to assist Tangata Whenua to form effective relationships with Council so that Ngā Take Kiko are addressed in the decisions and work of Council.

The Forum acknowledges the importance of the Long-Term Plan, Annual Plan and District Plan as major drivers of Council business. Mauri Ora aims to inform and influence those plans and processes, as well as operational policy, by way of Ngā Kaihoe and the actions and aspirations outlined within it.

Mauri Ora is a living document and Te Ihu o te Waka o Te Arawa need to prioritise Ngā Take Kiko identified in this plan and continually review these to ensure they are relevant and appropriate. This can be done through annual discussions. The Forum will develop a robust means of evaluating the performance of this plan to ensure the purpose of the forum is being addressed. The members of the Forum see this plan as a tool that provides strong leadership and direction to Council.

COUNCIL'S STATUTORY OBLIGATIONS

Local Government Act 2002

Section	Provisions
Section 4	<i>Treaty of Waitangi</i>
Section 14(1)(d)	<i>In performing its role, a local authority must act in accordance with the principle of providing opportunities for Māori to contribute to its decision-making processes</i>
Section 81	<i>Build capacity to contribute to decision-making</i>
Section 82(2)	<i>Principles of consultation – must have processes for consulting Māori</i>
Schedule 10, Clause 8	<i>Long term planning to build capacity</i>

Resource Management Act 1991

Section	Provisions
Section 6(e)	<i>Defining and having regard for kaitiakitanga i.e. kaitiakitanga means the exercise of guardianship by the Tangata Whenua of an area in accordance with tikanga Māori in relation to natural and physical resources; and includes the ethic of stewardship.</i>
Section 7(a)	<i>Having particular regard to kaitiakitanga</i>
Section 8	<i>Treaty of Waitangi</i>
Section 33	<i>Transfer of powers – where one or more functions, duties or powers can be transferred, including to an Iwi authority.</i>
Section 74A(2A)	<i>Taking into account Iwi management plans when preparing or changing the District Plan.</i>
Schedule 1, Clause 3	<i>Schedule specifically refers to consultation with Iwi authorities</i>

We note that the Resource Management Act is proposed to be replaced by the Natural and Built Environment Act, Spatial Planning Act, and the Climate Change Adaptation Act (yet to be released). These obligations will be updated to reflect the changes in legislation

Local Government (Rating) Act 2002

Section	Provisions
Schedule 1, Part 1, 14A	<i>Unused Rating Unit of Māori Freehold Land is non-rateable</i>
Part 4	<i>Rating of Whenua Māori</i>

NGĀ TAKE KIKO

ISSUES OF SUBSTANCE FRAMEWORK

Toka Tū Moana provides for Te Ihu o te Waka o Te Arawa and Council to define issues of significance. The issues have been identified and categorised as an Organisational Issue or an Operational Strategic Issue but for the purposes of Mauri Ora will be split into operational issues (able to be progressed at a staff level) and strategic issues (requiring decisions at a governance level). The work programme addressed these issues with timeframes, priorities, and budget.



NGĀ KAIHOE

Work Programme

OPERATIONAL ISSUES

Expectation	Actions	By who	Budget	Timeframe	Process
<p>Tangata Whenua are actively involved in operational decisions of Council that affect their whenua and the taiao</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning processes must involve Tangata Whenua from the beginning • Resource Management processes must involve Tangata Whenua from the beginning • Adequate information is provided to ensure Tangata Whenua can properly engage with the processes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actively include appropriate Tangata Whenua in consent processes, including notification processes. • Engage with Hapū and Iwi in the development of plans. • Support and fund up to four Partnership Forum members per year to undertake Making Good Decisions training and Chairs training or to retain their existing accreditation 	<p>Environmental Consents team, Kaupapa Māori team, Utilities team, Tangata Whenua</p>	<p>\$75K per annum</p>	<p>Quarterly reporting</p>	<p>Operational Policy / Long Term Plan</p>

<p>The principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi are acknowledged and protected</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Te Tiriti o Waitangi principles are integrated in all Council planning and training • Tangata Whenua expectations are met regarding Te Tiriti o Waitangi 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a system to monitor Council’s Tiriti and statutory obligations to Māori and establish the link between all Council policy and the Te Tiriti o Waitangi. • Ensure Council is meeting its Tiriti and statutory obligations to Māori by implementing a monitoring system. 	<p>Consultant, Kaupapa Māori Team, Council Senior Leadership Team, Tangata Whenua</p>	<p>Budget required</p>	<p>Half yearly reporting</p>	<p>Operational Policy</p>
<p>Marae are healthy and well functioning. Urupā are provided for and protected.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marae are supported to be used, sustainable and cared for • Urupā are used, sustainable and cared for 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate the needs of urupā (provision of land for Urupā, access, and maintenance funding for Urupā). • Investigate the support needed for Urupā and Marae particularly those affected by coastal erosion. 	<p>Kaupapa Māori Team, Reserves Team, Emergency Management, TKMW, Tangata Whenua</p>	<p>\$55,000 per annum</p>		<p>Operational Policy /Long Term Plan</p>

STRATEGIC ISSUES

Expectation	Actions	By who	Budget	Timeframe	Process
<p>Tangata Whenua are actively involved in the decision-making of Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tangata Whenua are represented in local government and are actively involved in decision making. • Tangata Whenua participate and vote in local body elections. • Tangata Whenua participate more in the decisions of Council that affect their lives. • Tangata Whenua are actively involved in decisions relating to water including the monitoring and preparation of any policy and plans (Te Mana o Te Wai) and water infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate Māori representation on Council committees with voting rights. • Investigate the establishment of Māori wards as part of the review of representation arrangements • Develop, in partnership, the local process for giving effect to Te Mana o Te Wai 	<p>Kaupapa Māori Team, Te Ihu o te Waka o Te Arawa (TKMW), Elected Members, Tangata Whenua</p>	<p>Budget required</p>	<p>3-6 yearly (Representation Review)</p>	<p>Representation Review, Strategic Policy</p>

<p>Communities are vibrant, connected, healthy and safe. Opportunities for economic improvement are provided.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good quality, affordable housing is increased. • Whānau wellbeing and resilience is strengthened. • Employment and business opportunities are available for Tangata Whenua within their rohe. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to provide advice and support around planning for papakainga and Māori housing development • Investigate opportunities for scholarship and/or cadetship opportunities to be provided for Te Arawa ki Tai uri • Review Council procurement policy and approach to ensure broader outcomes are provided for at all levels 	<p>Kaupapa Māori Team, Environmental Consents Team, Procurement Team, Tangata Whenua</p>	<p>Operational Budget</p>		<p>District Plan</p>
<p>Cultural heritage, waahi tapu and Mātauranga Māori are recognised, protected, and enhanced.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Māori cultural heritage is protected and preserved • Tangata Whenua are able to continue cultural practices in traditional areas • Waterways are clean, safe and abundant. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a Cultural Heritage Strategy • Commission history of awa research and document for Waiari river and other tupuna awa • Identify sights of significance including waahi tapu, tupuna awa and maunga and explore access issues and opportunities 	<p>Kaupapa Māori Team, Environmental Planning Team, Tangata Whenua</p>	<p>Budget required</p>	<p>Half yearly reporting</p>	

