

Wednesday, 3 July 2024

*Te Hui o Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe o Heretaunga*

**Hastings District Council**

**Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee Meeting**

*Kaupapataka*

# Agenda

*Te Rā Hui:*  
Meeting date: **Wednesday, 3 July 2024**

*Te Wā:*  
Time: **1.00pm**

*Te Wāhi:*  
Venue: **Council Chamber  
Ground Floor  
Civic Administration Building  
Lyndon Road East  
Hastings**

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*Te Āpiha Matua:*  
Responsible  
Officer: **Petera Hakiwai – POU AHUREA MĀTUA: Principal Advisor  
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## Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee – Terms of Reference

This is established between the Hastings District Council and the Māori community.

### Context

The Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee has been established by Council to continue the development of strategic and sustainable relationships with Māori. Council also wishes to empower Māori as much as possible to make decisions over their and the wider community's future. Council shall meet the intent and spirit of the Council's obligations set out in the legislation, more particularly the obligations of the Local Government Act 2002;

- Towards establishing and maintaining processes that provide opportunities for Māori to contribute to the decision processes of Council.
- Fostering the development of Māori capacity to contribute to these processes.
- The provision of information to assist Māori contribution to Council's activities.

The Council wishes the Committee to reflect a spirit of partnership between the Council and the community and to contribute effectively to the Council's activities. To enable this to occur the Fields of Activity and Delegated Powers are framed with the widest scope possible.

The Council wishes the Committee to assist with the development of an integrated policy framework (based on Te Tiriti o Waitangi Principles) for the Council aimed at delivering effective governance, engagement and service delivery for Council's Māori Communities.

Meetings of the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee are supported by Council Kaumātua.

### Fields of Activity

- To provide policy advice with respect to the District Plan, regarding provisions for Wāhi Tapu, Papakainga, and where relevant to Māori, any other amendments to the Plan.
- To provide input to the Long Term Plan and Annual Plan with particular reference to those issues of importance to Māori from within the District.
- To support Council to embrace the principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi.
- To provide insight into Māori and other strategic community issues with particular reference to the Long Term Plan, the effectiveness of the District Plan and the delivery of the Annual Plan.
- To make decisions and provide advice on matters of mana whenua wellbeing.
- To approve and provide advice on Māori economic wellbeing initiatives.
- To assist Council as appropriate in conducting and maintaining effective, good faith working relationships with Māori communities across the district including advice on governance arrangements.
- To make decisions as to the allocation of Marae Development Fund grants within the allocated budget.
- To make decision on matters relating to Māori community development and Māori community plans.
- To make recommendations to Council on projects requiring Māori input.
- To assist Council with the development of an integrated policy framework and work programme to enable effective governance, engagement and service delivery for Council's Māori Communities.

### Membership (15 Members)

- Chair – to be elected at the first meeting of the Committee at the beginning of each triennium; and from among the appointed mana whenua members of the committee.
- Deputy Chair – to be elected at the first meeting of the Committee at the beginning of each triennium from among the elected members of the committee.

- The Mayor.
- 6 Councillors including the 3 Takitimu Ward Councillors.
- Up to 8 members from Mana Whenua to be appointed by the Council, taking into account the “*post settlement environment*” and Mataawaka.

**Quorum – at least 8 members (one of whom must be a Councillor).**

DELEGATED POWERS

- 1) Authority to exercise all Council powers, functions, and authorities in relation to the matters detailed in the Fields of Activity such as to enable recommendations to the Council on those matters.
- 2) Authority to make decisions on the allocation of Marae Development Fund grants within the allocated budget.
- 3) Authority to develop procedures and protocols that assist the Committee in its operation provided that such procedures and protocols meet the statutory requirements of the Local Government Act 2002, the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and Council’s Standing Orders.
- 4) Authority to approve Māori Community Plans.
- 5) Authority to approve projects or programs relating to Māori Community Wellbeing within existing budgets.
- 6) Authority to approve projects or programs relating to Mana Whenua Wellbeing within existing budgets.
- 7) Authority to approve projects or programs relating to Māori Economic Wellbeing within existing budgets.
- 8) To recommend to Council on projects that require Māori input or oversight.
- 9) To recommend to Council on planning and regulatory matters that require Māori input or oversight.

The Chair shall not have a casting vote.

**Note:** The Terms of Reference for the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee are subject to review by the Committee at its first meeting in the 2022 Triennium.



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# Agenda

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*Koromatua*

**Chair:** Mike Paku

**Deputy Chair:** Councillor Henry Heke

*Ngā KaiKaunihera*

**Councillor members:**

*Mematanga:*

**Membership:**

Mayor Sandra Hazlehurst

Councillors Ana Apatu, Alwyn Corban, Kellie Jessup, Heather Te Au-Skipworth + 1 x Vacancy

**Mana Whenua members:** (up to 8 members – currently one vacancy)

Tipene Cottrell; Ngaio Tiuka; Tom Keefe; Elizabeth Waiwiri-Hunt, Charmaine Butler and Pōhatu Paku

Kaumātua: Jerry Hapuku

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*Tokamatua:*

**Quorum:**

At least 8 members (one of whom must be a Councillor)

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*Apiha Matua*

**Officer Responsible:**

Petera Hakiwai – POU AHUREA MĀTUA: Principal Advisor Relationships, Responsiveness & Heritage Office of the Chief Executive

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*Te Rōpū Manapori me te*

*Kāwanatanga*

**Democracy &**

**Governance Services:**

Lynne Cox (Ext 5632)



*Te Rārangi Take*  
**Order of Business**

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**1.0 Prayer - Karakia**

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**Apologies & Leave of Absence – Ngā Whakapāhatanga me te Wehenga ā-Hui**

- 2.0** At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.  
At the close of the agenda no requests for leave of absence had been received.
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**3.0 Conflict of Interest – Mahi Kai Huanga**

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**Confirmation of Minutes – Te Whakamana i Ngā Minitī**

- 4.0** Minutes of the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee Meeting held Wednesday 8 May 2024.  
(Previously circulated)
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# Report to Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee

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**Nā:** Charles Ropitini, Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness  
**From:** & Heritage

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*Te Take:*  
**Subject:** Pou Ārahi - Māori Advisor Libraries Update

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## **1.0 Purpose and summary - *Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga***

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is for the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Kōmiti to receive a brief presentation and update on the work of the Pou Ārahi – Māori Advisor Libraries.
- 1.2 The report seeks to inform the Standing Kōmiti of the Library Services engagement with Māori communities an organisations, including the annual cultural public programme.

## **2.0 Recommendations - *Ngā Tūhonga***

That the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee Meeting receive the report titled Pou Ārahi - Māori Advisor Libraries Update dated 3 July 2024.

### **Attachments:**

There are no attachments for this report.



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**Nā:** Charles Ropitini, Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness  
**From:** & Heritage

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**Te Take:** Aotearoa Reo Rua Programme: Karamū Heretaunga Rautaki  
**Subject:** Reorua 2024-2026

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## **1.0 Purpose and summary - Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee on the progress and development of the Aotearoa Reorua partnership and completion of **Karamū Heretaunga Rautaki Reorua 2024-2026**.
- 1.2 Aotearoa Reorua is a funding programme led by the Department of Internal Affairs with support from Te Puni Kōkiri, Te Taura Whiri i te reo Māori and Te Mātāwai.
- 1.3 The vision of Aotearoa Reorua is to create more spaces, places and opportunities across the country where te reo Māori is seen, heard and celebrated alongside the English language. Enhancing relationships between councils and their mana whenua partners is also a cornerstone of the programme.
- 1.4 At a meeting of the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee on 14 June 2023, the Committee resolved:
  - That Hastings District Council formally partner with Aotearoa Reorua with a partnership and Terms of Reference formed with a nominated mana whenua entity to drive the Aotearoa Reorua programme in Heretaunga.
  - That the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee recommend Kauwaka Ltd. as the te reo Māori partner for progressing Aotearoa Reorua.
- 1.5 A Terms of Reference has been developed and signed by the key delivery partners Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga, Kauwaka Ltd. and Heretaunga Hastings District Council.

- 1.6 The Funding Contract for Aotearoa Reorua is between Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga and the Department of Internal Affairs, with Kauwaka Ltd. sub-contracted to complete the **Karamū Heretaunga Rautaki Reorua 2024-2026**
- 1.7 **Karamū Heretaunga Rautaki Reorua 2024-2026** is applicable only to the Central Business District and urban areas of Karamū Hastings, Pāharakeke Flaxmere, and Karanema Havelock North.
- 1.8 The Rautaki does not replace the current Heretaunga Ararau Policy and Action Plan.
- 1.9 The Terms of Reference and finalised Rautaki Reorua is attached to this report.

## 2.0 Recommendations - *Ngā Tūtohunga*

- A) That the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee receive the report titled Aotearoa Reo Rua Programme: Karamū Heretaunga Rautaki Reorua 2024-2026 dated 3 July 2024.
- B) That the Committee endorse the Karamū Heretaunga Rautaki Reorua 2024-2026.

### Attachments:

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|----|------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1↓ | Aotearoa Reo Rua Heretaunga ToR    | CG-17-5-00043 |
| 2↓ | Karamū Heretaunga Reorua Plan 2024 | CG-17-5-00044 |





























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# Report to Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee

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**Nā:** Charles Ropitini, Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness  
**From:** & Heritage

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**Te Take:**  
**Subject:** Waiaroha Team Leader Update

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## **1.0 Purpose and summary - Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is for the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Kōmiti to receive a brief presentation and update from the new Waiaroha Team Leader.
- 1.2 The report seeks to inform the Standing Kōmiti of the development of Waiaroha and to introduce the new Team Leader to the Kōmiti.

## **2.0 Recommendations - Ngā Tūtohunga**

That the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee Meeting receive the report titled Waiaroha Team Leader Update dated 3 July 2024.

### **Attachments:**

There are no attachments for this report.



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# Report to Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee

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**Nā:**  
**From:** **Aileen Campbell, Transportation Community Liaison Officer**

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**Te Take:**  
**Subject:** **Mana Whenua Engagement Strategy for HDC Cyclone Gabrielle  
Transport Recovery**

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## **1.0 Executive Summary – *Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga***

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek your agreement to the proposed Mana Whenua Engagement Approach for the Hastings District Council (HDC) Transport Cyclone Recovery. This includes decisions on initial agreements which were discussed at a wānanga on 20 June with leaders from the five Post Treaty Settlement Government Entities (PSGE) and the two hapū trusts of Te Piringa Hapū o Ōmāhu and Ngāti Pārau Hapū Trust (collectively referred to as Mana Whenua in this report). These initial agreements are:

- That the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Standing Committee is the correct governance group for Mana Whenua Engagement in relation to the Hastings District Council Transport Cyclone Recovery work programme.
- That, since Te Piringa Hapū o Ōmāhu and Ngāti Pārau Hapū Trust are recognised as part of the HDC Cyclone Transport Recovery Programme, the chairs of these two Hapū Trusts be invited to participate in items related to Mana Whenua Engagement Governance of the HDC Transport Recovery when reported to the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Standing Committee.

This report asks that the Committee endorse the following:

- That Mana Whenua will provide direction to HDC on engagement related to transport recovery sites located in shared Areas of Interest.
- That the PSGEs/hapū trusts will work with HDC officers to share information about unregistered wāhi taonga and wāhi tapu sites as needed to ensure sites are not destroyed in the construction required for transport recovery and, where desired, can facilitate the protection of the site in the district plan.

- 1.2 A draft proposed structure ('Strawman') to support a specific Mana Whenua Engagement Strategy was presented at the wānanga on 20 June. A proposed general direction of travel was sought and outlined how Mana Whenua Engagement over the Recovery programme might be resourced and function. It was also intended to meet the request for one point of contact in relation to the programme. Had it been agreed, it would have been put forward to this meeting of Heretaunga Takoto Noa for agreement and a transitional roadmap to set it up would have been developed. However, while the governance role, and internal HDC Mana Whenua Coordinator role proposed were accepted, the approach of Mana Whenua Taio roles in each Mana Whenua Group, proportionate to the volume and scale of transport recovery work was not accepted. Mana Whenua need more information to understand the needs of the recovery programme before agreeing to the proposed Mana Whenua Taio roles or proposing an alternative mechanism. An individual approach for each group may be best.

## 2.0 Recommendations - Ngā Tūtohunga

- A) That the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Standing Committee receive the report titled Mana Whenua Engagement Strategy for HDC Cyclone Gabrielle Transport Recovery dated 3 July 2024.
- B) That the Committee approve the following:
- i. That the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Standing Committee is the correct governance group for Mana Whenua Engagement in relation to the Hastings District Council Transport Cyclone Recovery work programme
    - a. That the chairs of Te Piringa Hapū o Ōmāhu and Ngāti Pārau Hapū Trust be invited to participate in items related to Mana Whenua Engagement Governance of the HDC Transport Recovery when reported to the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Standing Committee
- C) That the Committee endorse the following:
- i. That Mana Whenua will provide direction to HDC on engagement related to transport recovery sites located in shared Areas of Interest
  - ii. That the PSGEs/hapū trusts will work with HDC officers to share information about unregistered wāhi taonga and wāhi tapu sites as needed to ensure sites are not destroyed in the construction required for transport recovery and, where desired, can facilitate the protection of the site in the district plan.

## 3.0 Background – Te Horopaki

- 3.1 On Wednesday 8 May, HDC Transport Recovery presented to Heretaunga Takoto Noa Standing Committee on the HDC Transport Recovery Programme, and on initial high-level feedback from Mana Whenua in regard to the Engagement and Consenting approach. This presentation covered the scale of damage across the roading network, how work is being prioritised and the expected timeframe of seven to ten years expected for recovery. It also outlined the intention to meet individually with Mana Whenua to develop an engagement approach for the transport recovery.
- 3.2 Overall, the scale of the damage to the roading network is such that neither HDC nor our Treaty Partners have the resource to treat each site individually in a business-as-usual approach. Our shared goal is to restore the transport network as quickly as possible for the benefit of our communities. Therefore, we aim to develop a transport recovery engagement approach which enables this while ensuring all resource consenting and statutory obligations HDC have to Mana Whenua are met, and that Māori cultural concepts, values and practices are safeguarded. To

achieve this, individual meetings with PSGE leaders and Hapū Trusts continued during May and June. Themes and feedback from these meetings are detailed in the attached documents.

- 3.3 These discussions were used to develop a proposed Mana Whenua Engagement Approach for the Cyclone Gabrielle Transport Recovery Programme. This proposed approach was presented at a wānanga with PSGE leaders and Hapū Trusts held on Thursday 20 June. The documents are provided as attachments to this report (**Attachments 1, 2 and 3**).

#### 4.0 Discussion – *Te Matapakitanga*

- 4.1 At the wānanga on 20 June, there was general acceptance of Heretaunga Takoto Noa Standing Committee as the appropriate governance group for Mana Whenua Engagement in relation to the Cyclone Gabrielle Transport Recovery Programme if the two Hapū Trusts who are not on this Committee Trust be invited to participate in items when matters related to this programme are under discussion.
- 4.2 There was discussion around the proposed area wide cultural impact assessment approach, and how that relates to the area wide resource consents for repairs to slips, bridges and culverts. Additional information and discussion are required from HDC for each mana whenua group on the programme of work in their area. However, given that is provided, that unique sites are treated individually and that the work required is appropriately resourced, there was overall agreement that with the scale of the work this is the appropriate approach.
- 4.3 A draft proposed structure ('Strawman') to support a specific Mana Whenua Engagement Strategy was presented at the wānanga on 20 June. It was intended to propose a general direction of travel and outline how Mana Whenua Engagement over the Recovery programme might be resourced and function. It was also intended to meet the request for one point of contact in relation to the programme. Had it been agreed, it would have been put forward to this meeting of Heretaunga Takoto Noa for agreement and a transitional roadmap to set it up would have been developed. However, while the governance role, and internal HDC Mana Whenua Coordinator role proposed were accepted, the approach of Mana Whenua Taio roles in each Mana Whenua Group, proportionate to the volume and scale of transport recovery work was not accepted. Mana Whenua need more information to understand the needs of the recovery programme before agreeing to the proposed Mana Whenua Taio roles or proposing an alternative mechanism. An individual approach for each group may be best.

#### 5.0 Options – *Ngā Kōwhiringa*

Option One - Recommended Option - Te Kōwhiringa Tuatahi – Te Kōwhiringa Tūtohunga

- 5.1 That the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Standing Committee decide to endorse the proposed approach to Mana Whenua engagement which includes:
- inviting the chairs of Te Piringa Hapū o Ōmāhu and Ngāti Pārau Hapū Trust to participate when items related to Mana Whenua Engagement Governance of the HDC Transport Recovery are under discussion.
  - support from Mana Whenua to HDC Transport Recovery Team in providing direction on sites that fall within shared Areas of Interest
  - support from Mana Whenua to HDC Transport Recovery Team to protect unregistered wāhi tapu and wāhi taonga sites that are in the vicinity of transport recovery work.

Advantages

- This approach utilises the established governance structure and supports a 'Rangatira ki te Rangatira' approach. The other governance options put forward such as Matariki Governance Group involve other Councils and other Iwi whose areas of authority or rohe are

not within the Heretaunga District Council and, therefore, have no direct interest in delivering the CGRP. Therefore, there may be resistance to discussing matters that are not their responsibility and securing the required time to discuss HDC Transport Recovery matters may be difficult.

- The HDC owns, on behalf of its ratepayers, the transport roading assets, and there are sound legislative reasons for the decision to remain within the HDC's hands only. Heretaunga Takoto Noa: The Māori Standing Committee currently has many MW relationships required to deliver the Cyclone Gabrielle Transport Recovery Programme
- Protection of unregistered wahi tapu sites requires working in partnership.

#### Disadvantages

- These decisions mean change to current procedures.

#### Option Two – Status Quo - Te Kōwhiringa Tuarua – Te Āhuetanga o nāianeī

- That the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Standing Committee decide not to endorse the proposed approach to Mana Whenua engagement

#### Advantages

- Business as usual approach will continue to be followed.

#### Disadvantages

- This will require additional resource from both HDC and Mana Whenua groups in creating another governance mechanism or continuing an individual approach. These groups are currently both stretched with the volume of recovery work they are required to undertake.

## 6.0 Next steps – *Te Anga Whakamua*

6.1 If the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Standing Committee decide to endorse the proposed approach to Mana Whenua engagement the next steps will include:

- inviting the chairs of Te Piringa Hapū o Ōmāhu and Ngāti Pārau Hapū Trust to participate in upcoming Committee meetings when items related to Mana Whenua Engagement Governance of the HDC Transport Recovery are under discussion.
- provision of the transport recovery programme to each mana whenua group in more detail, with follow-up meetings to clarify expectations and scale of the work, in order to progress an area wide approach and agree to a process for unregistered wahi tapu
- presenting to the next meeting of the Heretaunga Takoto Noa Standing Committee in September 2024.

### Attachments:

1↓	Presentation to HDC Transport Recovery Mana Whenua Engagement Wananga 20 June 2024	STR-27-05-01-0001
2↓	Memo provided in advance of HDC Transport Recovery Mana Whenua Engagement Wananga 20 June 2024	STR-27-05-01-0002
3↓	Draft Proposed Structure for Mana Whenua Engagement on HDC Transport Recovery provided in advance of 20 June Wananga 2024	STR-27-05-01-0003

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## Summary of Considerations - *He Whakarāpopoto Whakaarohanga*

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### **Fit with purpose of Local Government** - *E noho hāngai pū ai ki te Rangatōpū-ā-Rohe*

The Council is required to give effect to the purpose of local government as set out in section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002. That purpose is to enable democratic local decision-making and action by (and on behalf of) communities, and to promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future.

[Link to the Council's Community Outcomes](#) – *Ngā Hononga ki Ngā Putanga ā-Hapori*

This proposal promotes the social wellbeing of communities in the present and for the future.

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### **Māori Impact Statement** - *Te Tauākī Kaupapa Māori*

To enable participation and partnership in work related to Cyclone Gabrielle Transportation Recovery

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### **Sustainability** - *Te Toitūtanga*

To support the consideration of Te Taio and Te Mana o Te Wai in the Cyclone Gabrielle Transportation Recovery

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### **Financial considerations** - *Ngā Whakaarohanga Ahumoni*

This work is ongoing but would help to formalise resourcing for Mana Whenua Engagement in Cyclone Gabrielle Transportation Recovery

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### **Significance and Engagement** - *Te Hiranga me te Tūhonotanga*

This decision/report has been assessed under the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy as being significant.

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### **Consultation – internal and/or external** - *Whakawhiti Whakaaro-ā-roto / ā-waho*

Consultation has been undertaken with :

- Mana Ahuriri Trust
  - Tamatea Pōkai Whenua Trust
  - Maungaharuru -Tangitū Trust
  - Ngāti Pāhauwera Trust
  - Ngāti Hineuru Trust
  - Te Piringa Hapū o Ōmāhu
  - Ngāti Pārau Hapū Trust
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### **Risks**

Opportunity: No significant risks at this time

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**Rural Community Board** – *Te Poari Tuawhenua-ā-Hapori*

N/A:

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# Report to Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee

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**Nā:**  
**From:** Louise Stettner, Manager, Democracy & Governance Services

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**Te Take:**  
**Subject:** Submission on the Local Government (Electoral Legislation and Māori Constituencies) Amendment Bill

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## **1.0 Purpose and summary - *Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga***

- 1.1 This report is to inform the Committee of the submission made to Parliament's Justice Committee on the Local Government (Electoral Legislation and Māori Constituencies) Amendment Bill (the Bill).
- 1.2 Parliament called for submissions on the Bill on 24 May 2024, with a closing submission date of 29 May 2024.
- 1.3 In brief, the Bill proposes to reinstate the right to a local referendum on the establishment or ongoing use of Māori wards or Māori constituencies.
- 1.4 The Bill would:
  - Reinstate binding polls on Māori wards and Māori constituencies.
  - Require councils to hold a binding poll at the 2025 local elections if they established Māori wards or Māori constituencies since 2020 and did not hold a poll. This applies to Council.
- 1.5 A submission on behalf of Council was lodged with Parliament's Justice Committee on 29 May 2024, (a copy is in **Attachment 1**). Deputy Mayor Tania Kerr presented an oral submission to the Justice Committee on 4 June 2024.
- 1.6 The submission was based on the report to the Council meeting on 23 May 2024 where the Council resolved to retain its Takitimu Māori Ward. This Report noted that officers would monitor Crown decisions regarding legislative changes affecting Māori wards and report to Council as required, including opportunities to submit to any legislative processes.

## 2.0 Recommendations - *Ngā Tūtohunga*

- A) That the Committee receive the report titled Submission on the Local Government (Electoral Legislation and Māori Constituencies) Amendment Bill dated 3 July 2024.
- B) That Committee notes the submission (Attachment 1) to the Parliament's Justice Committee on the Local Government (Electoral Legislation and Māori Wards and Māori Constituencies) Amendment Bill.

### Attachments:

- 1  Submission on the Local Government (Electoral Legislation and Māori Constituencies) Amendment Bill CG-15-24-48















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**Nā:** Charles Ropitini, Principal Advisor: Relationships, Responsiveness  
**From:** & Heritage

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**Te Take:** Round Table Verbal Update From Mana Whenua Members of the  
**Subject:** Committee

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## **1.0 Purpose and summary - *Te Kaupapa Me Te Whakarāpopototanga***

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the opportunity to the mana whenua members of the Committee to provide a verbal update regarding activities of their respective entities.

## **2.0 Recommendations - *Ngā Tūtohunga***

That Heretaunga Takoto Noa Māori Standing Committee receive the report titled Round Table Verbal Update From Mana Whenua Members of the Committee dated 3 July 2024.

### **Attachments:**

There are no attachments for this report.