

PAPA TUHI



Whangaroa Papa Hapū

“Mā Whangaroa anō a Whangaroa e kōrero”



Photo: Whangaroa uri Tasha Hohaia (left) and Myjanne Jensen (right) feature in Episode 5 of *Haohao Te Tangata*.

He mihi

Tēnā koutou e te whānau whānui o Whangaroa! Kia koutou kua wheturangihia, takoto rangimarie mai. Ko mātou tonu, ngā waihotanga iho, ngā wawata e whakaū.

Tātou e whiriwhiri tonu nei te rautaki ngā takahanga, tēnā anō hoki. Mā tātou anō ngā kaupapa Whangaroa e whakapiri.

It's great to see the Papa Tuhi refreshed, revived and back in print, post and digitised as well.



Photo: Whangaroa Papa Hapū Kaiwhakahaere, Robyn Tauroa.

Papa Tuhi provides a regular summary of recent achievements and a preview of anticipated events.

Grab a seat, a cuppa and enjoy!

Haohao Te Tangata video series

In 2025, Whangaroa Papa Hapū launched Aotearoa's first video series explaining the Te Tiriti negotiations redress process.

Aimed at ngā uri o Whangaroa, the series clarifies each stage using interviews, visuals, and kōrero from our very own whānau of Whangaroa, to enhance understanding, feedback, and engagement in the journey.



WHAT IS A MANDATE?

1 DEED OF MANDATE
A mandate is the formal approval from Whangaroa whānau for a hapū grouping to represent Whangaroa in Te Tiriti negotiations with the Crown.



2 WHAT IS THE DRAFT MANDATE STRATEGY?
The Draft Mandate Strategy outlines how we propose to seek a mandate for Whangaroa. It sets out who is represented, how hui and voting will run, how submissions will be taken, how tikanga and hapū processes are upheld, and how transparency and Crown feedback are ensured.



4 WHY YOUR VOICE MATTERS
Your kōrero ensures the mandate process reflects Whangaroa tikanga, Whangaroa aspirations, and Whangaroa decision-making. The Draft Mandate Strategy will be uploaded later this week. Please take time to read it and share your whakaaro.

3 WHY IS IT A DRAFT?
Because nothing is final, the draft is being shared so Whangaroa uri can read it, understand it, ask pātai, offer feedback and confirm what feels tika. Your whakaaro will directly shape the final version.



5 THE PROCESS

- Draft mandate strategy developed
- Reviewed by Te Tari Whakatau & Te Puni Kōkiri
- Revised
- Draft mandate strategy agreed
- Published by Te Tari Whakatau for submissions
- Revised again to address submissions (if necessary)
- Mandate strategy finalised
- Mandate strategy endorsed by the Crown
- Ngā hapū o Whangaroa undertake information and voting hui (advertised 21+ days in advance)

WE ARE HERE



Release of Whangaroa's draft mandate strategy

Whangaroa Papa Hapū is pleased to share that our Draft Mandate Strategy is now available online.

This document explains how our hapū grouping proposes to seek mandate to represent Whangaroa in the Te Tiriti negotiations with the Crown. Because it is still in draft form, your feedback is essential

before any decisions are made.

We therefore encourage whānau to read the document in full and share your whakaaro to ensure the final strategy reflects Whangaroa tikanga, upholds hapū and whānau voices, and provides a clear, transparent pathway for hui, voting and submissions.

**Whakapā
mai:**

Feedback can be submitted through our online form or via email:
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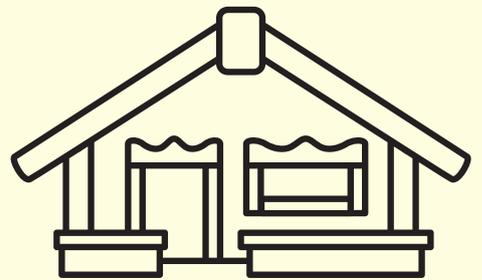


Photo: This year Te Touwai hosted a number of hui-ā-hapū at Te Touwai Marae.



Photo: WPH kaimahi Hinemoa Pourewa presenting at August's Taiwhenua hui at Kaeo Rugby Club.

Taiwhenua hui and hui-ā-hapū



Throughout 2024-2025, Whangaroa Papa Hapū has delivered several successful Taiwhenua Hui across the motu, with the most recent on 29 August at Kaeo Rugby Club. This hui brought together hapū representatives and whānau for kōrero on Ngā Takenga Mai and the pathway ahead. The hui was professionally

organised, with strong engagement both in person and online. It strengthened relationships, introduced our new kaimahi and provided space for whānau voices, while also identifying helpful improvements for future hui. Hui-ā-hapū have also been supported at Te Touwai, Te Patunga and Te Tahawai Marae.

Other hapū also continue to meet independently, with two pending invitations to Otangaroa and Matauri yet to be fulfilled, following postponements due to hui mate.

These hui-ā-hapū lay a strong foundation for continued engagement, with more planned as we move toward redress.

Wai 45 Renewed Muriwhenua Land Inquiry



Photo: Some of our Wai 45 team including historians Dr Aroha Harris and Dr Jane Luiten.

He Kōrero mō Whangaroa is an oral history and kōrero tuku iho project supporting preparation for the Wai 45 Renewed Muriwhenua Land Inquiry.

It records life histories and traditional narratives connected to northern and north-western Whangaroa, including Taupō, Otangaroa, Waihapa, Pupuke, Kohumarū, Oruru, Maungataniwha, Whakapaku, and Mangōnui. Interviews capture local

histories, marae, kai practices, whenua, education, health, and memories of significant tūpuna, helping build a Whangaroa-centred historical narrative.

Alongside this, a structured research workshop series has been held, bringing whānau together weekly to review reports, develop key search terms, identify sites

of significance, and strengthen claimant evidence.





Photo: The Whangaroa delegation at the country's first-ever, hapū-led whare taonga and research centre, Raiātea, in Motutī.

Te Pouhere Kōrero Māori Historians Wānanga

E rere ana ngā mihi maioha ki ngā hapū o Te Tāo Maui me Hokoheha i te whakamanuhiri i a mātou ki Matihetihe Marae, i Te Moana-tāpokopoko-a-Tāwhaki.

Ka nui hoki te mihi ki ngā whānau me ngā hapū o Tamatea, ngā kaitiaki o Raiatea, mō tō koutou manaakitanga i ngā marae o Te Rarawa.

He mihi mutunga kore ki ngā kaiwhakahaere o tēnei hui ā-tau, arā ko Aroha Harris rāua ko Melissa Williams, mō tā rāua tonu

kia tū ake a Whangaroa hei whakaatu i ā mātou mahi.

Earlier this month, Whangaroa Papa Hapū had the privilege of participating in the three-day Te Pouhere Kōrero Māori Historians Wānanga held at the beautiful Mātihetihe Marae in Mitimiti.

This Māori-led kaupapa creates space for our histories to be told by us and for us. The theme of this year's gathering was Whānau Ora, with powerful

presenters from across the motu shared kōrero from their rohe as we learned about the whakapapa of Mitimiti, Panguru and Motuti, visited Raiatea and toured St Mary's Church where Bishop Pompallier rests.

The hui was enriching, filled with manaaki, warmth, and nourishing kai, and we return to Whangaroa carrying the kōrero, connections, and inspiration gained in Mitimiti. Aroha ki te atua, aroha hoki ki te whakaritenga.

2025: A year in reflection and what's in store for Whangaroa Papa Hapū in 2026



Photo: The Whangaroa Papa Hapū Board and kaimahi earlier this year following a hui with Te Tari Whakatau in Kerikeri.

Ka pū te ruha, ka hao te rangatahi.

2025 has seen Whangaroa Papa Hapū elders welcome a new generation of Whangaroa uri into roles that have sustained our purpose of representation with integrity and mana, within the Waitangi Tribunal claimant space.

From the financial and strategic wisdoms of Olive, the professionalism of Myjanne and Bonnie leading out Haohao Te Tangata, the mātauranga

provided by Kylie in hapū engagement, the warmth of Grace in the Wai45 Inquiry and Research project, and the technical intelligence of Engie in the Ahau program - all these positive young energies have been embraced in this phase of our progressive journey as Whangaroa.

The plan for Te Wakaminenga representatives within the Mapuna framework, to make future decisions in 2026, will enable more

youthful enthusiasm, as well as experienced leadership and tikanga focussed guidance, to assist ngā hapū o Whangaroa in the years of negotiations that lie ahead.

**Whangaroa whakaemia!
Whangaroa connecting!**

**Whangaroa
whakamanatia!
Whangaroa
empowering!**

**Whangaroa whakaekea!
Whangaroa advancing!**

Whangaroa Papa Hapū

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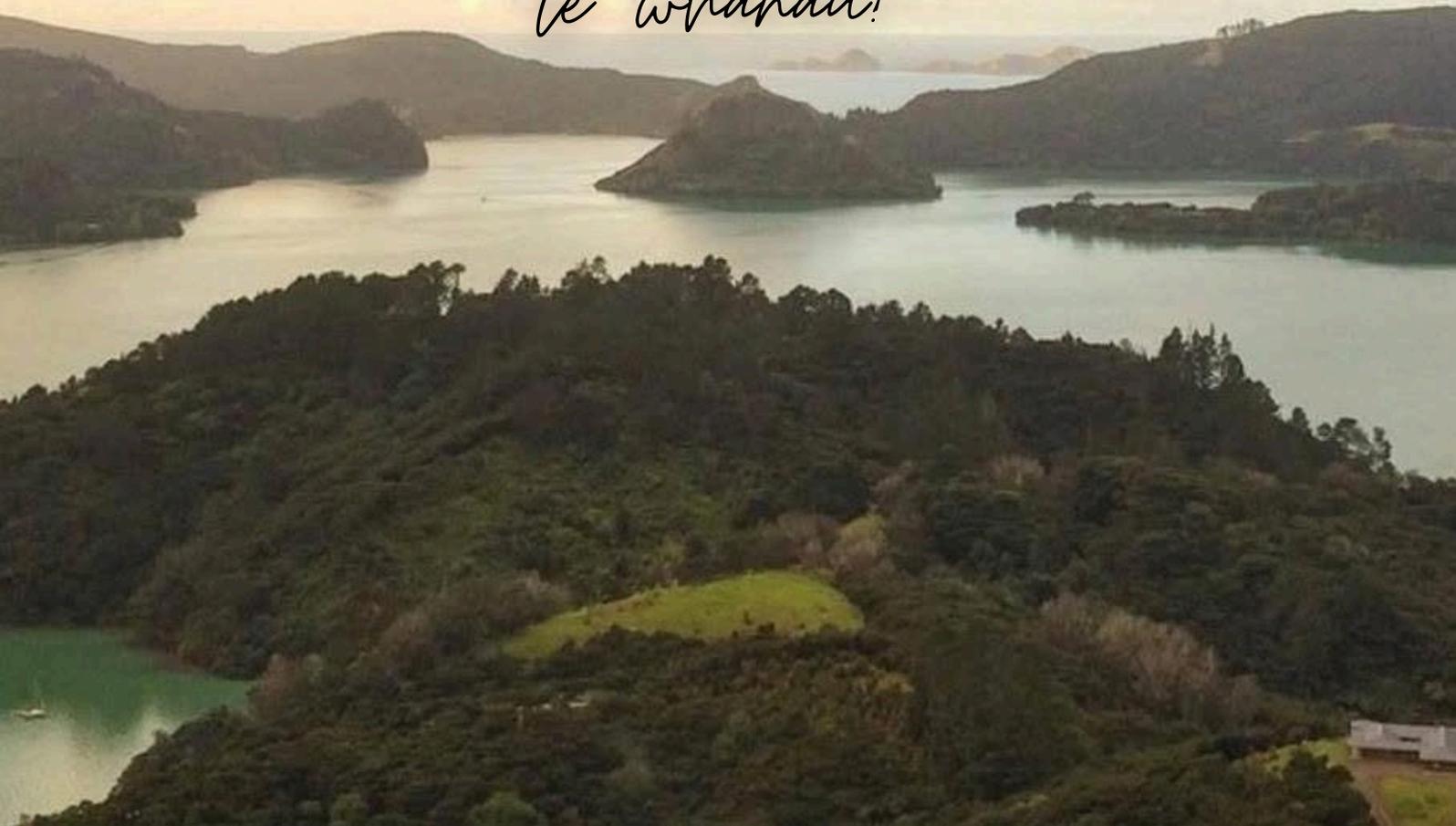
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Meri Kirihimete

*me Ngā Mihi o Te Tau Hou Kerekori e
te whānau!*



**Whangaroa Papa Hapū - Te Tari Āwhina
will be closed from 20/12/25-13/01/26**