

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQRR-T

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-31 15:09:52

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1 What is your name?

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What's your email?:

████████████████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Ngaitupango hapu

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Facebook

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No it allows too much room for hapu hopping and therefore vote stacking. One hapu representative with all the say seldom works. For less developed hapu it leaves them vulnerable to individuals using their own whanau to stack voting  
Go back to consulting claimant groups properly.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No as above open to vote stacking and not transparent enough process.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Don't endorse the draft mandate until hapu are properly consulted in line with your own process and the tikanga shown in the draft strategy.

## Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQRQ-S

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-31 12:35:00

## Share your feedback

1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

[REDACTED] 9(2)(a)

What's your email?:

[REDACTED] 9(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

[REDACTED] whakapapa to Te Uri o Te Aho 9(2)(a)  
 Principally Mangamuka Marae and Tauteihihi Marae (Hokianga) and other marae.

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?: 9(2)(a)

I heard about Nga Takenga Mai and this submissions process from [REDACTED] on 31 January 2026

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

I have been trying to contact Whangaroa Papa Hapu for a few weeks with no luck. I am disappointed to hear about Nga Takenga Mai and this submission process and I request a PAUSE on this process.

I believe there has been NO engagement to the west of Whangaroa.

[REDACTED] represents the wishes of Te Uri o Te Aho and as this is my responsibility, and I believe we need specific engagement on this.  
 9(2)(a)

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

As above.....(repeated for clarity).....

I have been trying to contact Whangaroa Papa Hapu for a few weeks with no luck. I am disappointed to hear about Nga Takenga Mai and this submission process and I request a PAUSE on this process

I believe there has been NO engagement to the west of Whangaroa.

[REDACTED] represents the wishes of Te Uri o Te Aho and as this is my responsibility, and I believe we need specific engagement on this.  
 9(2)(a)

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

I will be reading a printed copy of Nga Takenga Mai over the weekend.

Whangaroa Papa Hapu has relied on the internet for communications. Many claimants in my age group, prefer kanohi te kanohi and printed documents.

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQVQ-W

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-26 19:04:59

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[Redacted] g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

[Redacted] g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

[Redacted] g(2)(a)  
[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
[Redacted]

[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
[Redacted]

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Facebook and word of mouth from Whanau.

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

I stand with my whanau in Whangaroa.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

I stand with my whanau in Whangaroa

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

N/A

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## Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQAF-W

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-31 11:32:12

## Share your feedback

1 What is your name?

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[REDACTED] 9(2)(a)

What's your email?:

[REDACTED] 9(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

My hapū is Ngati Pakahi ki Mangaiti. [REDACTED] 9(2)(a)

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Via involvement in Whangaroa with whanaunga who want to make sure our Hapū have had hui to make decisions about what we want from this process with the crown.

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No. I would like to pause the process:

My hapū has been added to the Whangaroa Papa Hapu list as consenting to support them but we have not been consulted as a hapū.

The process needs to be paused to allow our hapū ki Whangaroa to make our decisions going forward.

Other hapū are a similar predicament. The process is going too fast.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No. We have not had transparency from the WPH.

The crown has a process that is divisive and not tika and pono to hapū. I agree with Hon Chris Findlayson that the current crown processes are treating tangata whenua badly and have to stop their action of fast tracking legislative practices.

My discontent is with the crown. Through their undemocratic measures have caused great harm to everyone. They are on a runaway bulldozer. Very sad.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Our Whangaroa hapū have much to share with each other and our relationships to each is through our whakapapa. We are not one hapū we are connected through many hapū.

I am Ngati Pakahi, Ngati Uru, Tahawai, Whanaupani, Ngapuhi-nui-tonu and much more.

## Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQRE-D

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-31 10:45:18

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1 What is your name?

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What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Ko Whakarara te Maunga  
 Ko Mataatua te Waka  
 Ko Takou te Awa  
 Ko Matauri te Moana, te turangawaewae  
 Ko Tapui te Marae  
 Ko Ngapuhi te Whare Tupuna  
 Ko Ngapuhi te Iwi  
 Ko Ngati Kura, Ngati Torehina, Ngati Miru, Ngati Rehia nga hapu

██████████ g(2)(a)

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Watched pro-settlement people video promoting WPH draft mandate strategy.

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

I don't support the process undertaken to date. Critical to hui/debate/support whanau understanding & AGREEMENT before making deals/lodging I'll I formed drafts with Te Tari Whakatau

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Go back to the beginning &amp; do it properly.

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQVR-X

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-26 19:06:04

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What's your email?:

██████████ 9(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Hapū affiliation to Ngati Pakahi

Mangaiti Marae

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Online

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

I request that:

The mandating process be paused immediately

Submission deadlines be extended

Hapū-led hui be supported and resourced

An independent review of mandate and process be undertaken

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

## Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQVA-D

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-26 19:06:09

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1 What is your name?

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2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Through Tupuna, Hongi Hika, Tua, Eru Patuone Aperahama and others

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No don't support. Land Back

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No we don't. Land Back

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

This is on behalf of all my uri

## Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQV4-Z

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-26 19:46:22

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What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Ko ngati kaitangata toku hapu  
Ko Ngati kahu ki whangaroa toku iwi  
Ko Karangahape, te touwai, toku marae.

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Via whanau based in our hau kainga

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

I don't yet know. I need more time to study it and consult with my iwi, hapu, whanau. Many of us live in Auckland/elsewhere and have only just heard of this.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

I don't yet know. I need more time to study it and consult with my iwi, hapu, whanau. Many of us live in Auckland/elsewhere and have only just heard of this.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Please pause this process to allow adequate time to review and consult with whanau and iwi, including time to put a kaupapa in place to inform and engage whanau not living in Whangaroa. The consequences are longterm and need to be treated with care. Govt must not rush stakeholders to benefit their own agenda

## Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQV1-W

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
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What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Ngati Pakahi - Mangaiti Kaeo

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

On social media

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No I do not agree with the proposed rep structure.

We need more time to let our whanau decide. Don't assume someone else will speak on our behalf.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No I do not support this voting process.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Not at this time.

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQVZ-6

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-26 20:14:34

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What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Poihakena

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Word of mouth. word spreads fast with us, especially concerns of our whenua and hapuu.  
Also ma runga i te Pukamat.

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

Kare au i te mohio i te tikanga o tena koorero. Engari,  
I whakahee rawa ahau ki te kaupapa o te karauna, I whakaae ana ki te Hapu Mandate, kia mau tonu maatou i te rangatiratanga.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

Whatever retains our Rangatiratanga, I am all for.  
I object the rushed process and limits the Crown continues to push.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

If we need to Occupy, Ka noho whenu tatou!

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQVN-T

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-26 20:15:26

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

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What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?: g(2)(a)

I whakapapa to ██████████ from Matangirau in whangaroa

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Online post via facebook

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No I strongly disagree with the government's process for a representative structure set out in this mandate strategy,

I call for this process to be paused immediately.

This system is putting our hapu and lwi at a disadvantage.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No pause all processes until proper consultations have been had with local hapu and lwi.

The government is disrespecting our sovereignty and Tinorangiratanga rights with this strategy and structure.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Yes pause this process ASAP

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQRV-X

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-31 08:52:48

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Share your feedback:

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What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

None that I know of

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

A hui at Mataitaua

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No, change the lines on the map to exclude Hokianga.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

I listened to the korero at the meeting, so stay on your side of the motu.

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQRJ-J

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-31 07:17:25

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

[Redacted] 9(2)(a)

What's your email?:

[Redacted] 9(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

[Redacted] 9(2)(a)

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Facebook

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No. The timeliness is unacceptable and the previous submissions have not been given the consideration and Mana as all are merged and valid from a Whanau, Hapu lwi focused perspective.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

No

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQRB-A

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-31 04:18:39

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

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What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Born and Raised.

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

On Facebook, my whanau.

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQRS-U

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-30 22:50:00

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

██████████ g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

████████████████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

27th January 2026 hui between Whangaroa Papa Hapu and;  
Te Popoto hapu  
Ngati Toro Hapu  
Te Ngahengahe hapu  
Te Honi Honi hapu  
Ngati Wharekawa hapu.  
Ngati Hao hapu  
Ngati Hau hapu  
Discussion on Whangaroa Papa Hapu stealing land outside their boundaries.  
They incroaching onto whenua from Ahutoatoa, Hutoia, Whakanekeneke, Waihou.

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

At the hui, they said we were to make submissions against the land grab Whangaroa Papa Hapu were going to do towards their MANDATE process.

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

Definitely NOT!!!

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

There was no vote at this hui.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

All the hapu within South Hokianga will not stand for this behavior of WHANGAROA PAPA HAPU.

## Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQRT-V

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-30 23:01:26

## Share your feedback

1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

[REDACTED] g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

[REDACTED] g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Tēnā koutou,

I/we submit in opposition to the current Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy and formally request an immediate pause and independent review.

In summary:

Hapū free, prior, and informed consent has not been clearly obtained or verified. Timeframes are rushed and inconsistent with tikanga and hapū decision-making. The proposed mandate risks permanently binding present and future generations through "full and final" settlement and Crown-designed structures. Representation and governance models do not clearly reflect whakapapa-based hapū authority. Previous hapū opposition to similar approaches has been disregarded. Accordingly, I/we request that:

The mandating process be paused immediately  
 Submission deadlines be extended  
 Hapū-led hui be supported and resourced  
 An independent review of mandate and process be undertaken

This is not opposition to resolution, but support for hapū led, tikanga-based pathways grounded in true rangatiratanga.

Nāku noa,

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

At a meeting on the 27th January 2026, with Whangaroa Papa Hapu and;  
 Te Popoto hapu  
 Ngati Toro Hapu  
 Ngati Wharekawa Hapu  
 Ngati Hao hapu  
 Ngati Hau hapu  
 Te Ngahe Ngahe hapu  
 Te Honi honi hapu

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

Noo I do not

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No voting process at this meeting

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

I will not condone Whangaroa Papa Hapu steal whenua that does NOT belong to them

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQVG-K

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-26 20:37:52

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

My Tupuna whakapapa to whangroa

I am Hine Paieri,  
born of starlight and river-mist,  
walker of the hidden paths between worlds.  
And Whangaroa...  
Whangaroa is not land beneath my feet —  
it is a living star within my chest.  
When I draw near, the air changes first.  
It hums.  
It shimmers.  
It bends toward me as if the earth itself is bowing in recognition.  
The moss glows softly under moonlight,  
the creek sings my ancient name,  
and the ngahere parts its emerald curtains  
so I may pass through the veil of remembering.  
In Paieri, we say that some places are soul-keys —  
they unlock the memory of who we truly are.  
Whangaroa is mine.  
At twilight, the tide becomes liquid silver,  
and my ancestors rise in the mist,  
their voices braided through the wind,  
calling me home, home, home.  
Their light settles into my bones,  
stirring the fire that never went out,  
reminding me that I was never lost —  
only waiting to remember.  
When I leave, my wairua stretches back like a river of light.  
My tears are not sorrow —  
they are moonwater returning to the sea of its origin.  
Even in distant lands, Whangaroa walks beside me.  
It glows in my dreams  
It breathes through my heartbeat.  
It waits in the hush between stars.  
I do not carry Whangaroa.  
I am carried by Whangaroa.  
Ko au ko Whangaroa.

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

I became aware of the submissions process through social media, specifically Facebook, where it was shared and discussed within whānau and hapū networks.

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

I do not support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy.

The current approach treats all hapū as though they are one collective group, when in reality we are many distinct hapū, each with our own whakapapa, histories, responsibilities, and relationships to whenua. A single submission or central structure cannot accurately represent the voices, needs, or sovereignty of each hapū.

True representation must be grounded in the authority of each hapū to speak for itself. Our lands are not one continuous area, and our people are not one homogenous group. Each hapū holds its own mana and decision-making rights. Any mandate process must recognise this and allow for individual hapū to engage, decide, and submit independently.

Without this, the proposed structure lacks genuine representation and risks undermining hapū sovereignty rather than upholding it.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

I do not support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy.

The voting process appears to rely on a single, collective approach that does not reflect the realities of our hapū. It assumes that one system can fairly represent all voices, when in fact each hapū holds its own mana, authority, and decision-making rights.

By placing all hapū into one voting structure, the process risks silencing smaller or less resourced hapū and overrides the right of each hapū to determine its own position. This undermines hapū sovereignty and fails to recognise that we are not one people, and our lands are not one area.

For a voting process to be fair and legitimate, each hapū must be able to decide independently, according to its own tikanga and processes, rather than being bound by a single collective vote.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

It is important that this process moves at the pace of the people, not at the pace of institutions. Many whānau and hapū need more time, clear information, and genuine opportunities to understand what is being proposed and how it may affect them.

Engagement must be kanohi ki te kanohi, not only through written documents or online processes. Our people deserve to ask questions, to be heard, and to have space to decide without pressure.

Transparency is also essential. All information, decision-making processes, and outcomes should be shared openly and in ways that are accessible to all whānau.

Most importantly, this process must honour the mana, rangatiratanga, and tino sovereignty of each hapū. Without this, any mandate will lack legitimacy and the trust of the people it claims to represent

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQR9-1

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2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Ngati ruamahue

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

Yes

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

Yes

6 Do you have any other feedback?

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2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Uri o Ngati Kawau

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Through Social Media

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No this needs to be paused immediately to ensure all whanau and Hapu are better consulted and have better understand and not rushed processes.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No more consultation is needed immediately.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Until we are more well informed we will not be able to move forward as one people.

Make the pause please immediately.

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQR3-U

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-30 19:52:21

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1 What is your name?

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██████████ g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Ngati Ruamahue

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

My Mother

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

Yes

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

Yes

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Not at this time

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## Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQRY-1

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-30 19:09:53

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1 What is your name?

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██████████ 9(2)(a)

What's your email?:

██████████ 9(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

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Ngā mihi for the opportunity to submit on the Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy.

As Ngāti Hao, we strongly object to the draft mandate as it currently stands. The proposed mandate boundary includes a blue line that cuts directly through whenua over which Ngāti Hao hold mana, responsibility, and enduring connections.

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██████████ 9(2)(a)

Nga mihi

██████████  
██████████

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Whanau Whakanekeneke

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No.

I do not support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy.

The process, as proposed, does not adequately recognise or protect whakapapa-based rights and risks excluding whānau and hapū who hold legitimate ancestral connections but may not meet narrowly defined or imposed criteria. Voting on matters of mandate should be grounded first and foremost in whakapapa, tikanga, and demonstrated connection to the whenua and kaupapa, rather than relying on mechanisms that can marginalise rightful voices. Further, the proposed process lacks sufficient transparency around how eligibility is determined, how objections or disputes will be addressed, and how balance will be maintained between inclusivity and authenticity. Without clear, tikanga-aligned safeguards, there is a risk that decisions made under this process could be challenged and lack enduring legitimacy.

A more appropriate approach would be for all hapū to clearly lay out their whakapapa connections, as a starting point, and then collectively agree on a fair and tikanga-consistent process before any voting occurs. This would help ensure that outcomes reflect true representation, unity, and mana rather than division.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Yes.

In addition to concerns about the voting process, I believe the draft mandate strategy requires further work to ensure it genuinely reflects tikanga Māori and protects the mana of all hapū involved.

Firstly, there needs to be clearer recognition of whakapapa as the foundation of participation and decision-making. Mandate should not be rushed or driven by administrative timelines. Taking the time for hapū to kōrero kanohi ki te kanohi, lay out their whakapapa, and address overlaps or disputes openly is essential to building trust and unity.

Secondly, the strategy would benefit from stronger dispute resolution pathways grounded in tikanga, rather than defaulting to external or overly legalistic processes. Clear, agreed-upon steps for resolving disagreements before escalation would help prevent long-term division.

Thirdly, communication with whānau needs to be improved. Information should be shared early, clearly, and in accessible ways, ensuring kaumātua, whānau living away from home, and those less digitally connected are not excluded.

Lastly, I encourage a pause to reflect on the long-term implications of mandate decisions. Once set, these structures are difficult to undo. Getting it right — even if it takes longer — is far more important than moving quickly. The ultimate goal should be kotahitanga, manaakitanga, and outcomes that honour our tūpuna and future generations.

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQ5H-K

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-26 14:38:01

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1 What is your name?

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What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Ngāpuhi,  
Ngāti Pākahi  
Ngāti Kahu Patukeha

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

A rushed mandate from a government that has no authority

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No, we need time to process this.  
Have talks, negotiations if necessary and make sure we are an informed lwi

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No, we have not been able to have discussions.  
This is not a rushed procedure, this needs to be an informed process.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Give Ngāpuhi the time to process, prepare and be presented with the facts.

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQAK-2

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-30 15:08:40

Share your feedback

1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

██████████ g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

████████████████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Our hapu is Ngāti Torehina

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

My family, they call us with updates and what we should be staying aware of in Whangaroa.

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

Yes, more voices can work together to best serve the community as a whole, but still representing the needs of their own hapu.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

It makes sense, everyone gets to have their vote and then the majority votes decides, I support this.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQVW-3

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-26 20:43:01

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

██████████ g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

descendant

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

online

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No I would like it to be put on pause

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

No

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Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-26 20:46:00

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██████████ g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Whanau from Otangaroa.  
Ngati Kahu ki Whangaroa

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Whanau and fb

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Stop and listen to Whangaroa

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQA5-C

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-30 15:05:49

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

█ g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

█ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Our hapu is Ngāti Torehina

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Through whānau kōrero and updates from home.

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

I do, it means that everyone can be heard and have their say.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

Yep, voting means that it is fair and decisions are distributed to those that the voters elect to stand for the hapu.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQA2-9

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-30 15:03:06

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

█ g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

█ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Ko Ngāti Torehina ahau

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

g(2)(a)  
I live in █ and am aware of the processes being developed by our hapu

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

I think a hapu lead strategy takes into consideration the views of the many, which means that we can collectively decide what is best for our people, yes, I support the strategy.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

Aē, everyone who is of voting age should have their input.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQAM-4

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-30 11:38:03

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

██████████ g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

██████████ te huia marae Pupuke Kaeo

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

word of mouth

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

A pause is needed

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

A pause is needed

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

A pause is needed

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQAH-Y

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-30 10:08:29

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What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

I come from Rangiahua, Rahiri

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Facebook

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No!! I believe the Majority should be able to vote on something that's this massive for not only the few that want it but majority should over rule. I have 4 Tupuna that signed that treaty ☐☐

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No - I believe kanohi ki te kanohi -

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

I think they need to really see what the future holds for the future not the now ☐☐☐☐

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQVU-1

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Submitted on 2026-01-26 20:49:10

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

██████████ g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

I live and breathe whangaroa.

Born here

Live here

Work here

My connection is I am whangaroa.

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

I went to the meeting. Held in Te Petunga Marae.

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

I disagree with the pressure force on everyone to take the offer on the table.

You have to understand money doesn't last.

Land is what is needed.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Make it easier for you to understand.

No is no for sale.

What's been done is done.

Leave what we own and give back what you can.

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQAU-C

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-30 09:53:01

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

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What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

██ g(2)(a)

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

whanau

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

no I oppose all of it

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

no.. they are rushing us

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

listen to our maori leaders

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQVF-J

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-26 21:26:09

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

██████████ 9(2)(a)

What's your email?:

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Whakapapa to Ngatirumahu,Ngatikura,Mangatowai,Kaitangata,Ngatimiru

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Trustee to Wainui marae

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

Yes but much is expected of kaikorero

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

75% is a tad high but allows for a wider hapu participation submission

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Submission period at the most difficult time of the year and length of time to submit

Is it possible to extend submission period?

Template followed isn't a level playing field

Redress is pitiful

Sovereignty will be a major decision breaker for hapu

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQMT-Q

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-30 08:38:43

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

[REDACTED] g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

[REDACTED] g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Ngati Kura taku hapu

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Social media(Facebook post)

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No I do not support the proposed representative

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

No

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQA7-E

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Submitted on 2026-01-30 08:30:21

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What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

I am Ngati hao

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Through my hapu

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No- I don't support their boundary lines

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No- I don't agree with their boundary lines.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

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Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQAD-U

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-30 06:43:40

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

██████████ g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

I married into the whanau and my children are direct descendants to the bloodline and whakapapa

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Facebook

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No I don't not agree and wish to oppose and pause the proceedings

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No I don't not support this kaupapa

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Pause and let the people have the proper time to inform everyone. We see pakeha tactics, while everyone is in survival mode and being smoke screen by some other shit use slip in under the radar make as less noise as possible to slavoud being seen and then use steal our land. Fuck off. Thieves, rapists and murderers.

## Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQAP-7

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-30 06:21:18

## Share your feedback

1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

[REDACTED] 9(2)(a)

What's your email?:

[REDACTED] 9(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

I am a descendant of Ururoa, [REDACTED] 9(2)(a)

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

My kaumatua

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

I submit in opposition to the current Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy and formally request an immediate pause and independent review.

In summary:

Hapū free, prior, and informed consent has not been clearly obtained or verified.

Timeframes are rushed and inconsistent with tikanga and hapū decision-making.

The proposed mandate risks permanently binding present and future generations through "full and final" settlement and Crown-designed structures.

Representation and governance models do not clearly reflect whakapapa-based hapū authority.

Previous hapū opposition to similar approaches has been disregarded.

Accordingly, I request that:

The mandating process be paused immediately

Submission deadlines be extended

Hapū-led hui be supported and resourced

An independent review of mandate and process be undertaken

This is not opposition to resolution, but support for hapū-led, tikanga-based pathways grounded in true rangatiratanga.

Nāku noa,

[REDACTED]  
Tahawai

9(2)(a)

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQVC-F

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-26 21:40:50

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

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What's your email?:

████████████████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

██████████████████ g(2)(a)

Emiemi te maunga

Ko matahuna te awa

Ko whangaroa te moana

Ko mangaiti or te pupuke maraes

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Cousin

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

Yes

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

Yes

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQAN-5

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-30 02:25:51

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1 What is your name?

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What's your email?:

████████████████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

████████████████████ g(2)(a)

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Face book

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

I demand for it to be paused to allow whanau to make decisions when whanau have understood the processes and are ready.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No whanau need to be informed and be aware and have a greater understanding before any decisions are made

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

No

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## Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQAZ-H

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-30 01:34:58

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1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

[REDACTED] g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

[REDACTED] g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

My Tupuna is Rahiri

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Through social media

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

Ngāti Hao Submission – Objection to Whangaroa Papa Hapū Draft Mandate

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Accordingly, we do not support the draft mandate strategy and request that it be reconsidered and amended to remove Ngāti Hao whenua from the proposed mandate area.

Nā mātou noa, nā,

[REDACTED] g(2)(a)

Ngāti Hao

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote :

No.

I do not support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy.

The process, as proposed, does not adequately recognise or protect whakapapa-based rights and risks excluding whānau and hapū who hold legitimate ancestral connections but may not meet narrowly defined or imposed criteria. Voting on matters of mandate should be grounded first and foremost in whakapapa, tikanga, and demonstrated connection to the whenua and kaupapa, rather than relying on mechanisms that can marginalise rightful voices. Further, the proposed process lacks sufficient transparency around how eligibility is determined, how objections or disputes will be addressed, and how balance will be maintained between inclusivity and authenticity. Without clear, tikanga-aligned safeguards, there is a risk that decisions made under this process could be challenged and lack enduring legitimacy.

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6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Yes.

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Lastly, I encourage a pause to reflect on the long-term implications of mandate decisions. Once set, these structures are difficult to undo. Getting it right — even if it takes longer — is far more important than moving quickly. The ultimate goal should be kotahitanga, manaakitanga, and outcomes that honour our tūpuna and future generations

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Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
Submitted on 2026-01-29 23:57:05

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Share your feedback:

██████████ g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

My Hapu is Ngati Hua from the Hokianga my tupuna is Pangari we also have connections to patuone and Tamiti wakanene all the way to Rahiri

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

my cousin sent it to me

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

I don't support the mandate as they don't hold the mana of the whenua that belongs to Us

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

I don't support the mandate

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

No support to the mandate

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## Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQA4-B

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy  
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██████████ 9(2)(a)

What's your email?:

████████████████████ 9(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

No connection.

My hapu are Ngāti Hao, Te Popoto, Ngāti Toro.

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Whānau, Hāpu

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

Ngāti Hao/Te Popoto/Ngāti Toro Submission – Objection to Whangaroa Papa Hapū Draft Mandate

Tēnā koutou,

Ngā mihi for the opportunity to submit on the Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy.

we strongly object to the draft mandate as it currently stands. The proposed mandate boundary includes a blue line that cuts directly through whenua over which many Ngāpuhi hapū hold mana, responsibility, and enduring connections.

Our whenua has been passed down through whakapapa from Eruera Maihi Patuone. These whakapapa connections affirm

mana whenua, ahi kā, and ongoing kaitiakitanga over Whakanekeneke and the surrounding areas. This whenua is not vacant, contested, or ambiguous to us.

At the hui held at Mataitaua, no clear or credible explanation was provided as to how or why Whangaroa Papa Hapū believe they hold interests or rights over areas that are distinctly Ngāti Hao (as well as Ngāti Toro and other hapū). The overwhelming response from whānau present—from Mangamuka through to Whakanekeneke and all areas in between—was one of opposition to the draft strategy.

We consider the current draft mandate to be fundamentally flawed due to its failure to properly recognise and respect established hapū boundaries, whakapapa-based rights, and existing ahi kā. Proceeding in this manner risks undermining whanaungatanga and creating further division among hapū.

Accordingly, we do not support the draft mandate strategy and request that it be reconsidered and amended to remove the new whenua claims from the proposed mandate area.

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No, I oppose all.

I do not support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy.

The process, as proposed, does not adequately recognise or protect whakapapa-based rights and risks excluding whānau and hapū who hold legitimate ancestral connections but may not meet narrowly defined or imposed criteria. Voting on matters of mandate should be grounded first and foremost in whakapapa, tikanga, and demonstrated connection to the whenua and kaupapa, rather than relying on mechanisms that can marginalise rightful voices. Further, the proposed process lacks sufficient transparency around how eligibility is determined, how objections or disputes will be addressed, and how balance will be maintained between inclusivity and authenticity. Without clear, tikanga-aligned safeguards, there is a risk that decisions made under this process could be challenged and lack enduring legitimacy.

A more appropriate approach would be for all hapū to clearly lay out their whakapapa connections, as a starting point, and then collectively agree on a fair and tikanga-consistent process before any voting occurs. This would help ensure that outcomes reflect true representation, unity, and mana rather than division.

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQ38-1

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Submitted on 2026-01-26 21:55:21

Share your feedback

1 What is your name?

Share your feedback:

██████████ g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

I am a descendant of Hongi Hika

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Facebook

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No it doesn't uphold the mana of Hare Hongi or his uri and it doesn't list tupuna

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No. Whakapapa is for Māori not Crown to determine. Why should we have to register voters. Tikanga should prevail

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

## Response ID ANON-8Z8U-FQAA-R

Submitted to Submissions for Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy

Submitted on 2026-01-29 21:35:55

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1 What is your name?

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[REDACTED] g(2)(a)

What's your email?:

[REDACTED] g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

My Tupuna is Rāhiri

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Social media

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

Subject

Ngāti Hao Submission – Objection to Whangaroa Papa Hapū Draft Mandate

Tēnā koutou,

Ngā mihi for the opportunity to submit on the Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy.

As Ngāti Hao, we strongly object to the draft mandate as it currently stands. The proposed mandate boundary includes a blue line that cuts directly through whenua over which Ngāti Hao hold mana, responsibility and enduring connections.

Our kāinga reside in Whakanekeneke and have been passed down through whakapapa from Patuone. These whakapapa connections affirm Ngāti Hao mana whenua, ahi kā, and ongoing kaitiakitanga over Whakanekeneke and the surrounding areas. This whenua is not vacant, contested, or ambiguous to us.

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Nā mātou noa, nā,

[REDACTED] g(2)(a)

Ngāti Hao

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No.

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6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

Yes.

In addition to concerns about the voting process, I believe the draft mandate strategy requires further work to ensure it genuinely reflects tikanga Māori and protects the mana of all hapū involved.

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What's your email?:

██████████ g(2)(a)

2 Please describe your connection to ngā hapū o Whangaroa.

What is your whakapapa?:

Whanau Pani

3 How did you hear about this submissions process?

How did you hear about the submissions process?:

Our Post on FB

4 Do you support the proposed representative structure set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do you support?:

No pause NO PAUSE DON'T AGREE

5 Do you support the proposed voting process set out in the draft mandate strategy? Please provide further details.

Do support the vote?:

No I don't agree

6 Do you have any other feedback?

Any other feedback?:

We need to know talk more for everyone to know what is happening especially our Generations who are ready to address all our Concerns

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From: [REDACTED] 9(2)(a)  
 To: [Ngāpuhi Feedback](#)  
 Subject: Submission to: Te Tari Whakatau (previously known as Te Arawhiti) Whangaroa Papa Hapū Mandate Review Team  
 Date: Wednesday, 21 January 2026 1:45:56 pm  
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**Submission to:**

Te Tari Whakatau (previously known as Te Arawhiti)  
 Whangaroa Papa Hapū  
 Mandate Review Team

**From:**

Name: [REDACTED] 9(2)(a)

Whakapapa / Hapū affiliation:

Whakapapa [REDACTED]

Hapu: NgatiKura - NgatiUeoneone

Address / Location: [REDACTED]

Email / Phone: [REDACTED]

Date: 21/01/2026

**1. Purpose of this Submission**

I/we make this submission to **formally call for an immediate pause and independent review** of the proposed Whangaroa Papa Hapū draft mandate strategy.

This submission reflects concerns raised at hui held in **January 2026**, and shared widely among whānau, hapū, and claimants. These concerns relate to **process, consent, representation, timing, and the long-term impacts on Hapū rangatiratanga and mana motuhake**.

**2. Lack of Free, Prior, and Informed Hapū Consent**

There is **no clear evidence** that free, prior, and informed consent has been obtained from Whangaroa Hapū.

Many Hapū, whānau, and claimants:

- Have not been adequately informed about the mandate strategy
- Have not had access to full information or legal implications
- Have not been given sufficient opportunity to deliberate or decide at

Hapū level

A mandate of this scale **cannot proceed without demonstrable Hapū consent**.

**3. The Process Is Being Rushed**

The current timeframe — including the **February 2 submission deadline** — is widely seen as **unreasonable and inconsistent with tikanga-based decision-making**.

Hapū processes require:

- Time for kōrero and hui
- Space for whānau discussion
- Careful consideration of intergenerational impacts

Deadlines imposed by Crown processes **should not override Hapū tikanga or authority**.

#### **4. Risk of Permanent Extinguishment of Hapū Rights**

There is serious concern that the proposed mandate and settlement framework risks **permanently extinguishing Hapū authority and rangatiratanga**, particularly through so-called “**full and final**” settlement clauses.

These decisions would:

- Bind future generations
- Remove the ability of Hapū to revisit grievances
- Lock in Crown-designed governance structures

Such outcomes **cannot be justified without explicit Hapū approval**.

#### **5. Crown-Designed Structures Undermine Hapū Authority**

The proposed mandate holder and governance structures:

- Do not clearly reflect Hapū whakapapa and tikanga
- Appear aligned to Crown legal and administrative frameworks
- Risk reducing Hapū to advisory or symbolic roles

Hapū authority **does not derive from Crown recognition** and should not be reshaped to fit Crown convenience.

#### **6. History of Hapū Opposition Has Been Ignored**

Hapū have previously expressed clear opposition to similar approaches, including during the **Tūhono process**, where a majority of Hapū voted **against** the proposed mandate.

Ignoring this history:

- Repeats known failures
- Disregards longstanding Hapū positions
- Further erodes trust in the process

#### **7. Lack of Transparency and Full Information**

Key concerns remain regarding:

- Limited access to full documents
- Unclear legal consequences
- Complex Crown language not explained in plain terms

Hapū and whānau cannot make informed decisions without **full transparency**, including access to information through **plain-language explanations and Official Information Act disclosures where necessary**.

#### **8. Crown Obligations Are Not Being Met**

The Crown has an obligation to **actively protect Hapū rangatiratanga**.

Advancing a mandate without:

- Clear Hapū consent
- Adequate engagement
- Proper timeframes

fails to meet this responsibility and risks causing **further harm and division**.

#### **9. Rangatahi and Whānau Are Not Adequately Engaged**

There has been **insufficient engagement with rangatahi, mokopuna, and wider whānau**.

Decisions of this magnitude must:

- Involve all generations
- Create safe and inclusive spaces for kōrero
- Reflect long-term collective aspirations

#### **10. Call for an Immediate Pause and Review**

I/we formally request that:

1. **The current mandating process is paused immediately**
2. **Submission deadlines are extended**
3. **Further Hapū-led hui are supported and resourced**
4. **An independent review is undertaken** to assess consent, process integrity, and alignment with Hapū authority

#### 11. Support for Hapū-Led Alternatives

Opposition to the current mandate **does not mean opposition to dialogue or resolution.**

There is strong support for:

- Hapū-led pathways
- Tikanga-based governance models
- Processes grounded in whakapapa and mana motuhake

Any future process must be **designed by Hapū, for Hapū**, not imposed by Crown frameworks.

#### 12. Closing Statement

The protection of Hapū rangatiratanga is an intergenerational responsibility.

Decisions made now will shape the futures of our tamariki and mokopuna.

For these reasons, I/we urge the Crown and all parties involved to **pause, listen, and reset this process** in a way that truly honours Hapū authority.

Nāku / Nā mātou noa,

Name: [REDACTED] 9(2)(a)

Signature:

Hapū / Whānau: Ngati Kura [REDACTED] 9(2)(a)