

Ngā Tāngata Tiaki o Whanganui Trust

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

for the reporting period 1 April 2019 – 31 March 2020

held virtually by Webinar – Sunday 27th September 2020 beginning at 11.00am.

*NOTE: Regional Hubs at Taumarunui, Ohakune, Rānana and Whanganui

- 1. Karakia** Te Pou Tupua, Turama Hawira @ 11.00am
- 2. Mihi** Gerrard Albert (Chairperson)

Chair welcomed all those attending, acknowledged the trustees who were present Alaina Teki-Clark, Nancy Tuaine, Sandy Nepia and the trustees also attending at regional hubs:

Ohakune – Che Wilson (trustee)

Taumarunui – Joseph Allen (trustee), also Te Whawhaki Trustees Hayden Turoa, Chris Kumeroa

Rānana – Rāwiri Tinirau (trustee)

Online – Hannah Rainforth (Trustee), Siani Walker (Advisory Trustee)

Chair advised the purpose for having AGM virtually is as a precaution to transmission of COVID.

Formal introduction by Chair to the Hui of Kaihautu of Ngā Tāngata Tiaki o Whanganui (Operations), Raymond Hall nō Te Raroa me Ngapuhi.

Chair affirmed that NTT exists to further Iwi's interests under the arrangements of the river settlement, returning mana to river and people. Through presentations today will be examples of how people are being empowered to uphold mana of river as well as some projects that are under development.

AGM is formal process that allows annual report to the Iwi. Information provides context and should assist with documentation which is available online. Trustees are also available for engagement at any time.

- 3. Present** Refer to the attached Attendance Register. (These include those who attended online as well as at the regional hubs).

Chair confirmed Quorum (in accordance with Deed) has been met by virtual of all trustees being present and at least 25 adult members.

- 4. In attendance via Zoom:** Simon Karipa (Te Ngakinga o Whanganui Investment Trust, Whanganui Iwi Fisheries); Steve Hirini (Pōkākā Sanctuary)

Apologies: Dame Tariana Turia, Ak Waetford, Rangimarie Waetford-Hall, Dante Karanganoa, Te Tiwha Matthews, Marguerite McGuckin, Denis Louis Ruha Hartley, Rae Harrison, Sheena Maru, Julie Herewini, Karmin Erueti, Peter Broad, Tamehana Puketapu, Rachael Tinirau, Tumanako Tinirau, Rongomaiwahine Hamlin

The Chair acknowledged that the apologies received for the Annual General Meeting 27th September 2020 (including from any of the Hubs) will be accepted and included in the Minutes.

- 5. Housekeeping Guide/Voting process**

The format of the virtual AGM was explained. Any questions can be asked via Q&A tab or follow up directly with NTT trustees and/or the Kaihautū. An e-Pānui will provide further information following the AGM. There will be two standard resolutions (Appointment of Auditor and Trustee Remuneration) posed to the AGM for voting.

Votes to be cast through the polling option online. If voting at the regional hubs, a tally will be taken by the NTT kaimahi present. The voting results will be announced before the conclusion of the AGM.

6. Minutes of the Meeting

The Chair confirmed THAT the Trust have examined the minutes from the last AGM held on **22 September 2019** and confirm they are a true and correct record.

7. Annual Report 2019-2020

The Annual report was presented by Raymond Hall including key parts of annual report and initiatives of NTT and trustees will be focussing on for the coming year.

Te Ranga Tupua Iwi response to COVID-19.

NTT joined with other organisations as part of the Covid response in a supportive and advocacy nature including collaborating with and supporting National Iwi Chairs Forum pandemic response and supporting logistics and supply of emergency kai/health packs to over 4000 whanau.

He waka pakoko Hui

Hui held at Putki Marae in early 2020. It was very informative in understanding the aspirations of Uri.

Trust Deed Review

The Review will commence in 2021. It is an important process so trustees have guidance for the years ahead. Hapū and uri will be supported to design scope of the Review.

Trustee elections

Elections will occur in 2021. 3 positions will be nominated through Te Rūnanga o Te Awa Tupua process over the next few months and 4 positions through a General Election at the 2021 AGM.

Catchment visibility

NTT acknowledges it needs to be seen and visible through the catchment. Over time there will be Kaiwhakarite and other positions throughout the catchment. This will allow Iwi and hapū to connect directly with NTT daily.

Training module

Developing Te Awa Tupua training modules which will empower uri and hapū through structured a structured modulised training programme. It will support understanding on how to apply Te Pā

Auroa and decision making processes for all communities. Expectation that Councils and Government departments will also participate in training modules for understanding decision making processes.

Te Pūwaha – Whanganui Port

Te Pūwaha – Whanganui Port revitalisation Project commenced in 2019 by a number of parties including Councils and Crown. Iwi leadership were able to reset and pause governance of the Project to ensure hapū remain at the centre of kaupapa. Working with Councils and Crown as a partnership with te Awa Tupua. NTT role is to advocate to ensure that is the status quo. It is having some encouraging impact on these bodies so they understand their responsibilities and obligations under the settlement.

NTT focussing on raising awareness in all communities of Te Awa Tupua. Looking to promote Te Awa Tupua in ways that support uri connection and reconnection also partnering with the Crown to promote and celebrate Te Awa Tupua so their understanding changes at an organisational level. Have also found that the iwi database is not fit for purpose so have been looking to transform to online forum over next 6-8 months to enable uri ease of registering and updating their details.

Crown relationships

- Te Pākurkuru is opportunity to re-establish a relationship based on quality and recognition of Te Awa Tupua. A wānanga on the awa with relevant Crown CEOs has been proposed with intent to establish accountability within the Crown CEOs. Hapū and Iwi guidance through the process will be sought.
- Work has commenced to establishing functional productive partnerships with Crown Ministries to advocate and support Iwi initiatives.
- Surface water activities group seeking to support tupuna rohe and hapū to lead collaborative rōpū to promote concepts and ideas of future management, leadership, regulation of those water activities on the Awa.

Financial

NTT and its subsidiaries have remained resilient during Covid-19 economic crisis. Trustees of NTT and Te Ngakina Investment Trust have worked collaboratively to protect Iwi financial interests and create opportunity for further investment in Iwi development. Have also seen diversity in income, create greater resilience as organisation and Iwi.

Supplementary Reports include Audit papers, financial reports in depth and Chair reports from each subsidiary.

Intention to move forward strategic plan in the coming year. The Trustees are cognisant that the first 5 year strategic plan is almost at an end. They have commenced work for the next 5 years and what the future vision will look like.

Pōkākā Ecosanctuary Presentation –Steve Hirini

Presentation from Steve Hirini of Pōkākā ecosanctuary. An aspiration of Te Korowai o Wainuiarua being combination of 3 iwi groups, Uenuku, Tamakana and Tamahaki. They are looking to enhance

natural role as kaitiaki in rohe. As a result developing an inner island ecosanctuary with the main aspiration to restore traditional haibtats and the biodiverse forest resources. The Sanctuary will also support an urgent need for the breeding, reintroduction and conservation of highly endangered species and local taonga species like Kaka, Hīhī, Muttonbird, Weka etc.

Thanks extended to NTT for financial support to assist the Iwi-led Project with the preparation of a business case to submit under the government funding scheme with MFE and DOC.

Future meeting with NTT to discuss Pōkākā next steps in design and implementation and how NTT would like to be involved to be arranged.

Chair acknowledged the initiative and all the work that has been undertaken in the Project.

RESOLUTIONS

Process explained on how to vote online for resolutions.

a) Appointment of Auditor 2020 - 2021

The Trust undertook an RFP process for audit services. Two proposals received including the incumbent Silks Audit which were assessed against capability, flexibility, professionalism, timeliness and costs. Silks Audit was the preferred option.

Question: How long has Silks Audit been auditor? When is it deemed prudent to have fresh eyes over it?

Silks has been auditor for past 3 years. Trust made decision that every 3 years it would issue an RFP. This year, Silks were preferred from the RFP. There is no issue with Silks or their ability or being able to remain impartial. NTT will continually review annually to ensure other auditors who have the same professionalism are investigated so we will have a good set of options going forward.

THAT Silks Audit Chartered Accountants be re-appointed as the Trust's Auditor for the 2020-2021 financial year.

PASSED/CARRIED

b) Trustee Remuneration 2020 - 2021

The Chair, Deputy Chair and trustees continue to maintain a high workload above their required responsibilities including ongoing implementation of Te Awa Tupua Framework, Trust and subsidiary planning and monitoring, regular Trust meetings and attendance at Hui, workshops, hapū/iwi engagements and events. The Trust has relied on independent advice in determining remuneration.

Question asked around disbursements and travel expenses. Explained that these costs are claimed over and above the set fees.

Question asked around advisory trustees' remuneration. Explained that advisory trustees are not included in the resolution. Their remuneration is considered by the Trust and set based on independent advice.

THAT the annual remuneration of the Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson and Trustees for 2020-2021 be set in line with 2019 AGM as follows:

- Chairperson \$80,000
- Deputy Chairperson \$51,750
- Trustees \$30,000

PASSED/CARRIED

8. Subsidiary Presentations

Te Whawhaki Trust Presentation Chris Kumeroa

- Work being done prioritising work to be completed as part of establishment phase.
- Immediate focus on developing strategic intentions.
- He Waka Pakoko held 14-15 March 2020, 200 people present who contributed their aspirations for te Awa Tupua for the next 20 years. This will also help shape Te Rautaki o Te Whawhaki.
- Financial activity will increase once strategic direction is confirmed and investment in iwi development has been set.

Te Ngakinga o Whanganui Trust/ Whanganui Iwi Presentation Simon Karipa

- Indepth financial information available in summary documents.
- Resilience shown through early 2020 with Covid-19 pandemic. Investment strategies and principles served reasonably well during this time.
- Te Ngakinga together with Ngā Tāngata Tiaki o Whanganui Trust have commenced a comprehensive review of the Statement of Investment Policies and Objectives (SIPO).
- Acknowledge the significant contribution of Russell Bell, who acted as an interim trustee for a great part of the financial year under review. We also welcomed Peter Halligan, a new trustee to the Trust whose significant investment experience is a great addition to the team

9. General Business

As the AGM is being conducted virtually there is not a facility to discuss any general business. However, uri are welcome and encouraged to hui with or contact the Trustees or Kaihautū throughout the year.

As there was no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 2.09 pm.

10. Te Pou Tupua Presentation – Turama Hawira

Sunday 27th September 2020 AGM Attendance:

See **attached** attendance list.

ATTENDANCE LIST – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 27 SEPTEMBER 2021

In attendance (Hubs):

John Maihi, Erena Mete-Kingi Anson, Russell Bell, Alaina Teki-Clark, Nancy Tuaine, Sandy Nepia, Gerrard Albert, Whetu Fala, Te Urumanao Gardiner, Raukura N Waitai, Turama Hawira, Angeline Haami, Raymond Hall, Utiku Potaka, Renee Tamehana, Piki Manuel, gFelecia Wilson, Vera Wilson, Willie Wilson, Che Wilson, Racquel McKenzie, Korty Wilson, Dr Rāwiri Tinirau, Cruz Pauro, Connor Pauro, Pania Winterburn, Merengahoe Ranginui, Kim Ranginui, Evelyn Board, Anthony Tamati Hyland, Moewai Hyland, Toreheikura Puketapu, Jenny Allen, Javell Pereka, Hayden Turoa, Chris Kumeroa, Deslee Ballard, Dixie Ballard, Graham Bell, A Ngaonga, Donna Wahapa, Michael Ngarongo, M Huch, Patena Tupe, D Ngarongo, Chante Wynyard, Louise Wahapa, Joey Allen, Jacqueline Moira Ngataierua Cash, Maki Ngarongo, Norma Turner Toia Lucas Walden, Mitch Roderick-Hall, Milli Huch, Val Panui Brenda Topia,

In attendance (via Zoom):

Lisa Warbrick, Cheri van Schravendijk-Goodman, Katarina Daly, Decadia Pakinga, Merkanara Huwyler, Gavin Brooks, Jason Ashford, Jessica Smith, Jacob Ruru-Canterbury, Kahureremoa Aki, Dani Lorreen Hartley, Meri Haami, Jackie Delamere (nee Beamsley), Novena/Mareana McGuckin, Maxine Ketu, Tuhi Smith, Hayden Potaka, Joshua Ranginui, Rene Bailey, Piki Taiaroa, Aimee Simon, Aaron Rice-Edwards, Adrian Poa, Ana Te Putere O Te Rangi Allen, Antonio Mangioni-Ashby, April Erueti, Aroha Rzoska, Brooke Whanarere, Christine Rawiri, Corrine Smith, Darleen Poutini-Tume, Desiree Mclean, Macy Duxfield, Dyana Patea, Estrelita Dickinson, Esther Tinirau, Flora Falanaki, Francene Wineti, Gilbert Taurua, Hannah Rainforth, Hapai Potaka-Osborne, Jane Peeti, Hera Smith, Hine Maraku, Jill Sheehy, Joanne Potaka-Riini, Nerissa Te Patu, Fiona Kahukura Chase, Kahurangi Simon, Katarina Hina, Kellee Bartlett, Kelly McLean, Kirianna Beckham, Korrallie Bailey-Taurua, Laurissa Cooney, Leah Te Whata, Leila McLeod, Lois Tutemahurangi, Lou Tyson, M Tuatini, Makere Edwards, Marlene Wilkinson, Mere Whanarere, Mereana Parkinson, Bubby Tamakehu, Ngahuia Wright, Ngareta Patea, Erana Takarangi-Gerrard, Ngawai Matthews, Oriana Mohi, Shanell (Pepe) Wallace, Pania Millar, Peta Reo, Peter Halligan, Rachel Adams, Retihiamatikei Cribb, Keria Ponga, Robert Cribb, Sandra Edmonds, Siani Walker, Susie Wakefield, Hone Tamehana, Tāwhiao McMaster, Te Aho Matua Bryers, Te Aroha McDonnell, Te Aroha Woods, Teresia Peina, Tina Rupuha-Green, Tumanako Haami, Deana Wilson, Susie Wahapa, Pat Goodwin, Kiri Wilson, Wyndi Tagi