**TE PANUI O TE POARI**

*Key Messages from Te Runanganui o Ngati Porou Board Meetings*

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E nga maunga whakahi, e nga awa tapu, e nga marae maha puta noa te rohe mai i Potikirua ki te Toka-a-Taiau, tena kotou katoa. E nga mate huhua o te wa kaenga, haere atu ra kotou ki te kaenga tuturu o tatau te tangata, moe mai ra i roto i te ringa o te Ariki. Ratau ki a ratau, tatau nga waithotanga o ratau ma, tena tatau katoa.

Welcome to the Inaugural “Te Panui o te Poari”, key messages from the latest Te Runanganui o Ngati Porou Board meeting.

This panui will be published after each ordinary Te Runanganui o Ngati Porou Board meeting. These messages will also be published in our bi-monthly Nati Link. This panui attempts to give the Iwi a glimpse of what is happening around the Board table and to disseminate information to the Iwi.

No reira, ko te tumanako ma enei pitopito korer a te Poari ka mohio te Iwi, ka marama nga Whanau me nga Hapu, nga mahi ki mua, ki muri o Te Runanganui o Ngati Porou.

**Ngati Porou Development Trust**

Teepa Wawatai presented this kaupapa to the Board. Teepa noted, over the last year, there had been a lot of focus on the establishment of Ngati Porou Holding Company (the Wealth Generation arm). Equally as important is the formalisation and establishment of the Ngati Porou Development Trust (the Wealth Distribution arm). It was noted that the Ngati Porou Development Trust incorporates such kaupapa initiatives as; Ngati Porou reo / culture, housing, educational, scholarships/ internships, environmental, science, innovation and economic development. The draft deed for the Ngati Porou Development Trust is planned to be presented at the April Board meeting for consideration and the Ngati Porou Development Trust is expected to be established before the end of the financial year (i.e. pre 30 June 2013). The Board agreed to this timeline presented.

**Marae Grants**

Towards the end of last year, the Runanganui Board approved grants to Ngati Porou Marae of $100,000 payable over a 5 year period (when spread annually is $20,000 per annum). The Board also approved a one off capital grant for each Marae engaged in capital or restoration works of $10,000. The grant is able to be paid in a lump sum, considering the prudent outflow of funds from the putea pool i.e. depending on cash availability.

As noted in the Acting CE report, the Acting CE advised that over the coming weeks, a formal letter will be issued to each Marae explaining this in detail – and we will provide a step by step guide to access these grants.

**Ngati Porou Holding Company Update**

Teepa Wawatai presented this kaupapa to the Board (on behalf of Matanuku Mahuika, the Chairman of Ngati Porou Holding Company) and noted NPHCL will be finalising its Statement of Investment Policies and Objectives (SIPO), over the next few months, and was on track to present this to the TRONPNui Board meeting in June. Teepa noted NPHCL is working with Cambridge and Associates, is meeting twice monthly and had completed consideration of governance and management requirements. Teepa noted they were looking for a specialist investment advisor to join the Board in the future.

**Chief Executive Recruitment**

The position of Chief Executive or Kaihautu for Te Runanganui o Ngati Porou is to be re-advertised starting in early April. The advertisement will be issued bilingually in Te Reo o Ngati Porou and English. It should appear in national and local newspapers. Our timelines are targeted to announce a preferred candidate subject to the Board’s approval in late June. A commencement date would obviously follow sometime thereafter.

**Subcommittee and Memberships**

The Te Runanganui o Ngati Porou Board comprises of a number of subcommittees and working groups. Most governing Boards have set subcommittees to address specialised business as usual items requiring in-depth review, such as the ARF committee. Subcommittees and workgroups are also formed to address specific kaupapa as the need arises.

The various subcommittees includes the;

- Group Audit Risk Finance (ARF) Subcommittee (comprising of Kylee Potae as Chair, Ned Ihaka and Tiwana Tibble)
- the Communications Subcommittee (comprising of Ani Pahu-Huriwai, April Papuni, Lilian Tangaere Baldwin, Kody Pewhairangi and Marijke Warhenvoven)
- the Housing Subcommittee (comprising of Ani Pahu-Huriwai, Lilian Tangaere Baldwin, Tui Warhenvoven, Marijke Warhenvoven, and Fiona Te Momo)
- the Marae Insurance Subcommittee (comprising of Lilian Tangaere Baldwin, Ani Pahu-Huriwai, Tui Warhenvoven, Marijke Warhenvoven and Fiona Te Momo)
- the Strategy Subcommittee (comprising of Ani Pahu-Huriwai, Marijke Warhenvoven and Kody Pewhairangi)
- the Conservation Subcommittee (comprising of Rei Kohere and Tui Warhenvoven)
- the CE Recruitment Subcommittee (comprising of Barry Soutar, Selwyn Parata, Marijke Warhenvoven, Lilian Tangaere Baldwin, and Fiona Te Momo — along with Matanuku Mahuika and Whaimutu Dewes from Ngati Porou Holding Company)

Each subcommittee reports to the Board regularly. From time to time, subcommittees make recommendations to the entire Board for approval.

**Next Board Hui**

The next Te Runanganui o Ngati Porou board meeting will be held on **Monday the 15th of April** in Gisborne. The second issue of Te Panui o Te Poari will follow shortly afterwards.

**Board Contacts**

If you would like to get in touch with the board or one of your elected representatives please feel free to contact one of your elected representatives, or alternatively email board@tronp.org.nz