

Tamatea Pōkai Whenua

**HASTINGS AND NAPIER FUTURE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY HUI**  
**TAMATEA PŌKAI WHENUA PRESENTATION NOTES**

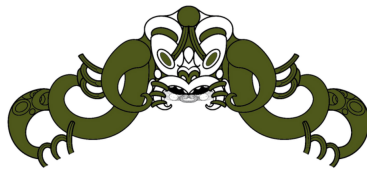
<b>Venue:</b>	TPW Office, L2/117 Heretaunga Street West, Hastings
<b>Date:</b>	13 December 2023
<b>Time:</b>	5:30pm – 7:30pm

**Next Steps – Potential Options**

- Direction was sought from Tamatea Pōkai Whenua members on next steps. The following options were discussed:
  1. Hapū and marae independently engage and make submissions on the Future Development Strategy. Tamatea Pōkai Whenua also make a submission that is complementary to hapū and marae submissions.
  2. TPW, as a coordinating body, support hapū and marae by engaging and collecting input/feedback, and consolidate kōrero into a single submission.
  3. Hybrid of both.
- Members were informed the Tamatea Pōkai Whenua Taiao Hub, named Te Mātai Ao, was established and has the staff and resources to carry out Option 2. It was noted this support is also available for hapū and marae who want to engage independently and need support with making a submission.

**Feedback:**

- Tamatea Pōkai Whenua to ensure hapū and marae input and kōrero is protected and conveyed from the heart in the document. Don't want to see hapū and marae input left out, grouped, generalised or watered down into a small section in the strategy.
- Want to see a big section within the Strategy with Heretaunga narrative, kōrero, values and aspirations. Want to see different hapū and marae perspectives in the strategy as well.
- Concern expressed regarding rate increases over the next 30 year period and the impact on whānau.
- One pathway suggested - want to see this kaupapa go back to marae who feed it to hapū. Marae representatives then gather and collate input and feed it back to Tamatea Pōkai Whenua.
- Technical terms and legal terminology will be used in this document, empowering Council to do what they do. Want to see section acknowledging and dedicated to tikanga Māori with a Heretaunga interpretation, whakaaro and matauranga.



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### Potential Model for Statement of Iwi Aspirations

- Examples of Statements of Iwi and Hapū Aspirations from around Aotearoa were presented to members to start the conversation about a potential model for Heretaunga.

#### Feedback:

- Good to look at other frameworks as a reference point but its better to develop our own framework from iwi pūrakau. It is easier to understand and implement.
- All cultural and historic sights need to be documented for hapū and iwi in the area. This needs to be hapū driven, but in the case where hapū are not in a position to, TPW has a role to assist. Takes a long time. Could be a task force set up to do it. It is a priority and needs to be done quickly.
- Want to see more Māori spaces in Heretaunga. Want whānau and hapū to be proud of their culture by seeing it every day and everywhere. This is a powerful thing that can take place in Heretaunga for the benefit of this generation and future generations. Overseas manuhiri who come here comment they are dissapointed to see it looks like Europe. If you go to China, you know you are in China. If you come here, it looks like Europe. Robbie William recently made this comment at his concert – ‘it looks like Kensington.’
- Want to see buildings/infrastructure provided for whānau and hapū members to do their mahi and grow businesses, without having to pay large rents. This will support members to thrive.
- Call for support for the creative sector. Was noted that the creative sector earned more than the farming sector in 2023.
- Procurement - need to be getting 50% of all projects around the township. Minimum 40%. Waiaroha was secured and was a huge success.
- Hapū should have an opportunity to express their identity visually in the community e.g through signage or other means. It is a powerful tool and positive for the future.
- It is a critical time to protect tino rangatiratanga and mana motuhake. These types of documents are usually sanitary and have no heart. Want to see hapū and marae input reflected in the simplest form and reflecting Heretaunga kōrero tuku iho. Draw on what makes Heretaunga unique – Heretaunga stories.

#### Question

- What is the definition of a satelite town? Answer was not known however the team advised they would follow up with the FDS team to get definition.