

Nga Maunga Whakahii o Kaipara Development Trust



2021 Annual General Meeting Minutes

10.00am, Saturday 26 March 2022
via Zoom

In Attendance

Trustees: Dame Naida Glavish, Cherie Povey, Jane Sherard, Richard Nahi, Suzanne Clarke-Taipeti, Tamaki Mercer, Tracy Davis, Trisya Hemana.

Members: More than 25 registered members were in attendance.

Quorum was reached and maintained throughout the meeting in accordance with clause 14.9 of the Trust Deed.

Minutes: Tui Flack and Parani Waaka

1. Karakia and hui opening

Richard Nahi opened the hui with a karakia.

Dame Naida Glavish introduced herself as Chair of the Development Trust and welcomed attendees to the hui.

Brenda Steele introduced herself as Chair of Whiti Ora o Kaipara Charitable Trust.

Rhys Freeman introduced himself as Chair of the NMWK Commercial Development Ltd.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Haahi Walker, Sabrina Kidwell and whanau, Anahera West, Manu Sione (has been in and out of the hui and apologises for when he has been out of the hui).

It was moved that apologies were received and accepted.

Moved: Jane Sherard

Seconded: Trisya Hemana

Tautoko: Ae

3. Approve Minutes of 2020 Annual General Meeting

Matters Arising from Meeting Minutes

11. Financial Report

That the Ngahere AGM Report is attached to the AGM minutes by way of an appendix to be tabled so Trustees are fully au fait with the intentions outlined at the AGM.

Moved: Trisya Hemana Seconded: Awa Hudson Tautoko: Ae

Trisya Hemana asked where the appendix was. The response was that it is on the Nga Maunga Whakahii o Kaipara website.

It was moved that the minutes of the previous meeting were received and accepted.

Moved: Richard Nahi
Seconded: Dame Naida Glavish
Tautoko: Ae

It was noted that two people are against the minutes.

4. Chair's Report

Dame Naida Glavish's recorded Report was played to the attendees.

Dame Naida Glavish acknowledged the work of the previous CEO, Helen Woods.

5. Whiti Ora o Kaipara Charitable Trust Report

Brenda Steele's recorded Report was played to the attendees.

6. NMWK Commercial Development Ltd Report

Rhys Freeman's recorded Report was played to the attendees.

7. Chair's Statement

Dame Naida Glavish thanked the Chairs for their detailed reports. She advised that the Board has decided that it will be conducting a forensic audit to refresh going forward of our financials going forward.

8. Resolutions

It was moved that the Chair's Report be accepted.

It was moved that the Whiti Ora o Kaipara Charitable Trust Report be accepted.

It was moved that the NMWK Commercial Development Ltd Report be accepted.

Moved: Glendith Sampson

Seconded: Manu Sione

Tautoko: Ae

9. Questions and Answers

Question to the Development Trust Chair:

Who holds the data that was referred to in the Chair's report?

Answer: The Development Trust Board holds the data.

Question to the Development Trust Chair:

Who are the kaitiaki?

Answer: Hemi Tapurau, Tumanako Povey, Marino Povey.

Question to the Whiti Ora Chair:

How is the remuneration for the Board Members justified?

Answer: The fees are set by the Development Trust Board however for Whiti Ora, we questioned why there was a big jump from the last financial year to 2021 financial year. We support the forensic audit because we are not happy with the figures that we have seen in our finance report.

Question to the KCDL Chair:

Is KCDL comfortable that the resolution from the 2020 AGM that Ngahere's presentation be appended to the Minutes in order to correct misinformation contained in the Trust's Annual Report has not been complied with?

Answer: It was put to the floor that the presentation was included. I saw the presentation that Ngahere gave to me which I passed on and that presentation does not match the presentation in this Annual Report. I wasn't present at the AGM at the time so I can't speak to the minutes but given the Ngahere report that I sighted, from being the KCDL Chair, compared with the Ngahere report that was put in here (*pointing to the Annual Report*) are completely different. So the way to rectify that, I'm not sure of the process from here, but I want it noted that they are two different presentations. One in here differs from the one given to me that I passed on to be put in this AGM report.

The Chair wants to acknowledge that this is the first time that we have had to do an AGM this way and hopes it's the last time. She would rather see *kanohi ki te kanohi*. If it is not the last time, then she is sure we will get better.

Question to the Development Trust Chair:

What is Nga Maunga Whakahii's position on the proposed solar farm?

Answer: We have not arrived at a position yet and we are working through the proposal.

Question to the Development Trust Chair:

Are all job opportunities with Nga Maunga Whakahii o Kaipara, its subsidiaries boards, advertised?

Answer: Yes

Question to the Whiti Ora Chair:

Re Whiti Ora 2021 Employee Contractor Expenses which have been reduced by approximately \$140,000 from 2020. What was the significant cutback due to?

Answer: Covid-19. In 2020 everything closed down.

Question to the Whiti Ora Chair:

Re supporting marae that are struggling with operational costs and what support is Whiti Ora giving to our marae, and is it a priority?

Answer: Yes. All our marae are a priority and we have been working closely with one of our marae to seek funding for them so they can complete their building. We are also trying to secure them funding to cover their operational costs.

The KCDL Chair noted a comment around financials and why he was not over the financials. It is not Rhys Freeman or KCDL's responsibility to look at the financials. That is the Development Trust. KCDL have their own budgets and work to those budgets, and they are approved by the Development Trust. Finance and the finance arm sit within the Development Trust. The upcoming forensic audit has nothing to do with him or KCDL. It is a separate mechanism set in place by the Development Trust.

Question to the Development Trust Chair:

Can Nga Maunga Whakahii please set up a place of kaumatua to use regularly to meet and korero?

Answer: Yes but we need to refer this back to the kaumatua so that the kaumatua katoa can meet to tell us what you need and tell us what you want.

Question to the Development Trust Chair:

Has Reweti Marae been taken over by Auckland City Council under the umbrella of Covid last year?

Answer: No that is not true.

The Chair advised that questions not answered today will be responded in writing by the staff.

Richard Nahi wanted to respond to the patai in regards to Auckland Council in regards to mainly funding that's been distributed to various marae not only in Ngati Whatua but virtually right across the rohe of Tamaki Makarau. He continued that it was very important to say that the Auckland Council has a responsibility and an obligation to support marae and as a result of funding that has been made available and as a result of that funding marae have the opportunity to reply. And what is associated with that are means and ways of how the money will be spent in line in terms of the objectives and that's probably the only assurances that any form of government agency including Auckland Council actually looks for and works with the people responsible in terms of the allocation of funding that's been given but there's no, as our Chairperson had indicated, there is no ownership of any of those facilities at all.

Question to the Development Trust Chair:

Are there any updates on Reweti Marae completion? Can we use the marae for functions such as tangi/hui?

Answer: Those questions would be better channeled through Tracy Davis as the Reweti Marae representative or to the Reweti Trust Board.

Question to the Development Trust Chair:

They are advertised with the recruitment agency, they're on our Facebook and our website.

The Chair advised that this AGM is six months behind what it should have been, around September/October so it's like a catch up and we are doing the best we can in terms of that catch up.

The Chair advised that we are looking for a Services Manager. If anyone is interested, visit our Facebook page.

10. Election Results

Overview

Craig Taylor from Election Services gave an overview of what has happened.

The voting process was concluded in August 2021, but we needed the facility for whanau to 'hand deliver' votes at the AGM. Unfortunately, the AGM was delayed due to Covid.

In June/July 2021 the process started for elections of the marae representative trustees and the kaumatua trustee position. The call for nominations occurred in May 2021 and due to conclude August 2021. In July 2021 there was the requirement for the candidate hui. At the end, one marae no longer required an election (Puatahi). One candidate withdrew leaving one candidate left, therefore Dame Naida Glavish was appointment marae representative. Voting documents were issued to those eligible to vote. Voting was by either return post or online. There were approximately 1,600 members of the four marae eligible to vote. Hand delivered votes from those who hadn't already voted were collected today.

Results

The kaumatua trustee representative is Haahi Walker.

Araparera Marae trustee representative is Margaret Tokerangi.

Haranui Marae trustee representative is Trisya Hemana.

Kakanui Marae trustee representative is Debra Brewer.

Reweti Marae trustee representative is Tracy Davis.

Puatahi Marae trustee representative is Dame Naida Glavish.

Craig Taylor congratulated the trustees that have been elected, thanked those who had voted, and thanked those who stood for election.

Richard Nahi closed the hui with a karakia at 12.35pm.