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TE RŪNANGA O
NGĀTI RĒHIA TRUST

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NGĀTI RĒHIA
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OUR PEPEHA

Ko Tokerau te tūtei
Ki te hauraro o te pūaha
Ko Rākaumangamanga ki te
Rāwhiti
E rere atū nei Te Kerei
Mangonui
Te Awa o ngā Rangatira
E tū mai rā
Te Pā o Kororipo
Titiro whakararo ki Orongo ki
Tākou Awa
Te wahi i mataaraaratia ai e
Puhi
Te waka tūpuna a Mataatua
e moe mai rā
Whiti whaka te uru
Ki te ngāherehere nui o te
Puketi
Pohutu noa atu ki te moana o
Omapere
Āwhiowhio ki te rangi
Kei runga Whakataha
maunga
Kei raro ko te awa o Waitangi
Ka hirere ki Pokākā
Tōtika te whatumanawa o
Īpipiri
Ko Ngāti Rēhia te hapū
Ko Ngāpuhi nui tonu te lwi
Ko Whitiora, ko Hiruharama
Hou, Ko Whetu Mārama ōnā
marae
Tihewa mauri ora,
ki te Wheiao
Ki te Ao Mārama

Tokerau is the sentinel
mountain
That stands at the northern
aspect of the harbour mouth
Rākaumangamanga stands to
the east
Both Te Kerei Mangonui and
Te Awa o ngā Rangatira flow
there-ward
Where stands
Kororipo Pā
Gazing northward to Mount
Orongo and Takou river, The
territory cautiously guarded by
our ancestor Puhi, the
ancestral canoe Mātaatua
there gently sleeps
Before crossing westward
To join the great forest of
Puketi
Sweep past and onward to
Lake Omapere
We turn rising skyward
To Whakataha mountain
The fountain head of Waitangi
river below
Gushing eastward to Mount
Pokākā
Inexorably to the heart of the
Bay of Islands
Ngāti Rēhia the Tribe, Ngāpuhi
the Nation
Whose marae are Whitiora,
Hiruharama Hou and Whetu
Mārama
This breath drawn life
animates the emergent World
into broad daylight

OUR WHAKAPAPA

Ngāti Rēhia is defined by whakapapa.

TUAKA the grandson of RĒHIA, married TE PERENGA, the sister of the great Ngāpuhi chiefs of Ngai Tāwake hapū, WHAKAARIA and AUWHA. Ngāti Rēhia trace their lineage from this union. The eldest son was TOKO and his teina were RAE, TITORE, TAUARIKIRIKI and MANGO. Toko made his home at Te Waha o te Riri. His father was ambushed and beheaded at Te Pati, Te Tii Mangonui.

Under the leadership of Toko, Ngāti Rēhia maintained the fisheries along the coast and extensive garden areas stretching to Whakataha and Waimate. They had a reputation for their manaakitanga (generosity) they provided for their guests, relatives and neighbours. Toko was famous for being a pacifist and a negotiator, especially in the warlike quarrels of his two uncles. On numerous occasions he managed to amicably resolve disputes without the shedding of blood.

The wives of Toko were the four sisters KARO, MOEHAU, MAHU and RERE. The union with Karo produced the sisters MOEWAKA and HĀPAI. Moewaka married TUPE and their daughter TE KOKI married the great Patukeha chief REWA. Hāpai was the mother of the chief TITORE TAKIRI who assisted his Patukeha relations in defeating the Ngare Raumati people of Kororareka and Te Rāwhiti.

The marriage of Toko to the youngest sister, Rere, produced the great chief TĀREHA and his brother TE PĀKIRA. Toko was first cousin to TE HOTETE, the father of HONGI HIKA. The two cousins hotly disputed the ownership of Tākou and other areas. The dispute was settled in favour of Toko following a bloodless challenge involving Pouwhenua. Toko then bequeathed the Tākou area to his elder sister RIMARIKI before departing permanently to live at Te Waha-o-te-Riri. The descendants of Rimariki are the Ahi-Kā of Tākou today.

Thus, the descendants of the children of Tuaka and Te Perenga are the recognised people of Ngāti Rēhia. As time passed, some of these people were assimilated into other hapū through marriage. Ngāti Rēhia were the hosts of the first European Christian community at Rangihoua. At that time Marsden described in detail the settlements in each bay of the Mangonui and Te Puna Inlets, each with its gardens and kainga.

Along with most Māori people, Ngāti Rēhia suffered terribly from the effects of colonisation; through the loss of land, ravaging disease and the impact of firearms, social and economic ills and health problems. More recently the effects of population drift to the cities was also devastating as families fragmented and the loss of whānau and hapū support was keenly felt.

Ngāti Rēhia have always maintained Ahi-Kā, or whānau members whose job it is to keep the hearth warm.

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR

*Ngāti Rēhia mata momoe
Ngāti Rēhia mata kaka
Titiro ki ngā maunga, ngā awa, ngā moana, ngā whenua tapu o Ngāti Rēhia*

*Ngāti Rēhia the sleeping giant
Ngāti Rēhia faces all challenges, when awakened
Ngāti Rēhia protects our sacred mountains, rivers, sea, and lands*

“

Ko te mea tuatahi e mihi kau ana ki ngā tini mate. Ngā mate o te tau, ngā mate o ngā marama, ngā mate o ngā wiki, ngā mate o ngā rā tata ake nei, taenoa ki tēnei haora. Kotahai anō te kōrero haere. Haere rā i runga i te mohio, e kore rawa koutou e warewaretia ia mātou ngā waihotanga.

Ka hoki mai kia tātou ngā kanohi ora, ngā morehu o rātou mā, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā rā tātou katoa.

Ngāti Rēhia hapū acknowledges the guardianship of times past and the mana in which land other resources were shared, while supporting the aspirations of their Kaitiakitanga within their region to have their physical cultural legacy - Te Riu o Ngāti Rēhia - strongly upheld and recognised.

As Kaitiaki Ahi Kā for our Tribal region, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rēhia (TRONR) on behalf of our hapū has provided cultural advice, and support for their members and Te Kerikeri community and the wider surrounds.

Nō reira ka mutu nei ngā kōrero hei whakamārama ake ki ngā mahi kua oti noa, ki ngā mahi kei te mahi tonu, ara, ki ngā mahi kei mua tonu i te aroaro.

Mauri ora,

William Kipa Munro
Chairperson



TE RIU O NGĀTI RĒHIA

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rēhia are the ahi kā of our rohe and the resources within the rohe. We are responsible as the kaitiaki for maintaining and protecting the mauri of these things. It is a responsibility that has been passed down to us by our tūpuna and one we will in turn pass on to our mokopuna.



Legend

- ★ Pa Sites
- ☆ Nga Kainga
- ▲ Maunga
- ☾ Mataatua Waka

Te Riu o Ngati Rehia

He whenua tuku iho ki nga uri o Ngati Rehia

Scale 1:225,000 Main Map

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KO WAI TĀTOU?

ABOUT US

On the 26 March 2002, Ngāti Rēhia established Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rēhia (TRONR), a Charitable Trust that provides the platform for the political and operational leadership of Ngāti Rēhia.

Our Rūnanga is dedicated to the empowerment of its hapū members. Our mission centres around fostering a strong sense of whakapapa and wairua, underpinned by a commitment to sustainable economic, social, and cultural development within our rohe.

We strive to enhance employment opportunities, housing, health, wellbeing, and cultural activities, driven by a deep respect for kaitiakitanga. Through collaborative efforts, we aim to strengthen our community, preserving our heritage while paving the way for a prosperous future.

OUR PURPOSE

The purposes of the trust which are restricted wholly to within Aotearoa, New Zealand are as follows:

- a) The promotion of health;
- b) The alleviation of poverty;
- c) The promotion of education and vocational training;
- d) The promotion development and support of employment opportunities; and
- e) Other purposes charitable at law which will benefit Māori generally or the wider community.



HE WHAKAPUTANGA O TE RANGATIRATANGA O NIU TIRENI ME TE TIRITI O WAITANGI

Tāreha, on behalf of Ngāti Rēhia, signed the 1835 He Whakaputanga o te Rangatiratanga o Niu Tireni (Declaration of Independence) organised by the British Resident Busby. Ngāti Rēhia did not sign the Te Tiriti o Waitangi (Treaty of Waitangi). Tāreha considered the mana of Ngāti Rēhia was protected in the earlier document.

The Hapū of Ngāti Rēhia recognise the Te Tiriti o Waitangi and the earlier 1835 Declaration of Independence as foundation documents defining the partnership between hapū and the Crown. We recommend that Te Rūnanga Ā Iwi O Ngāpuhi advise all agencies to consider both documents as “relevant planning documents”.

Ngāti Rēhia have two current claims to the Waitangi Tribunal. WAI 492 was filed in 1994 in the name of Kaumātua, Tuauahiroa Kemp and WAI 1341 was filed in 2006 in the name of Kaumātua, Remarie Kapa. The WAI 492 claim followed a hui of Ngā Hapū of Ngāpuhi called by Kaumātua, Tuauahiroa Kemp and Wiritua Heihei held at Whitiōra Marae, Te Tii on 13 February 1994. At that hui all hapū of Ngāpuhi gave their tautoko (unanimous support) for the WAI 492 claim over Kerikeri-Kororipo.

TRONR have established a steering committee to progress both claims and seeks to work collaboratively with all claimants in progressing these through the Waitangi Tribunal process.

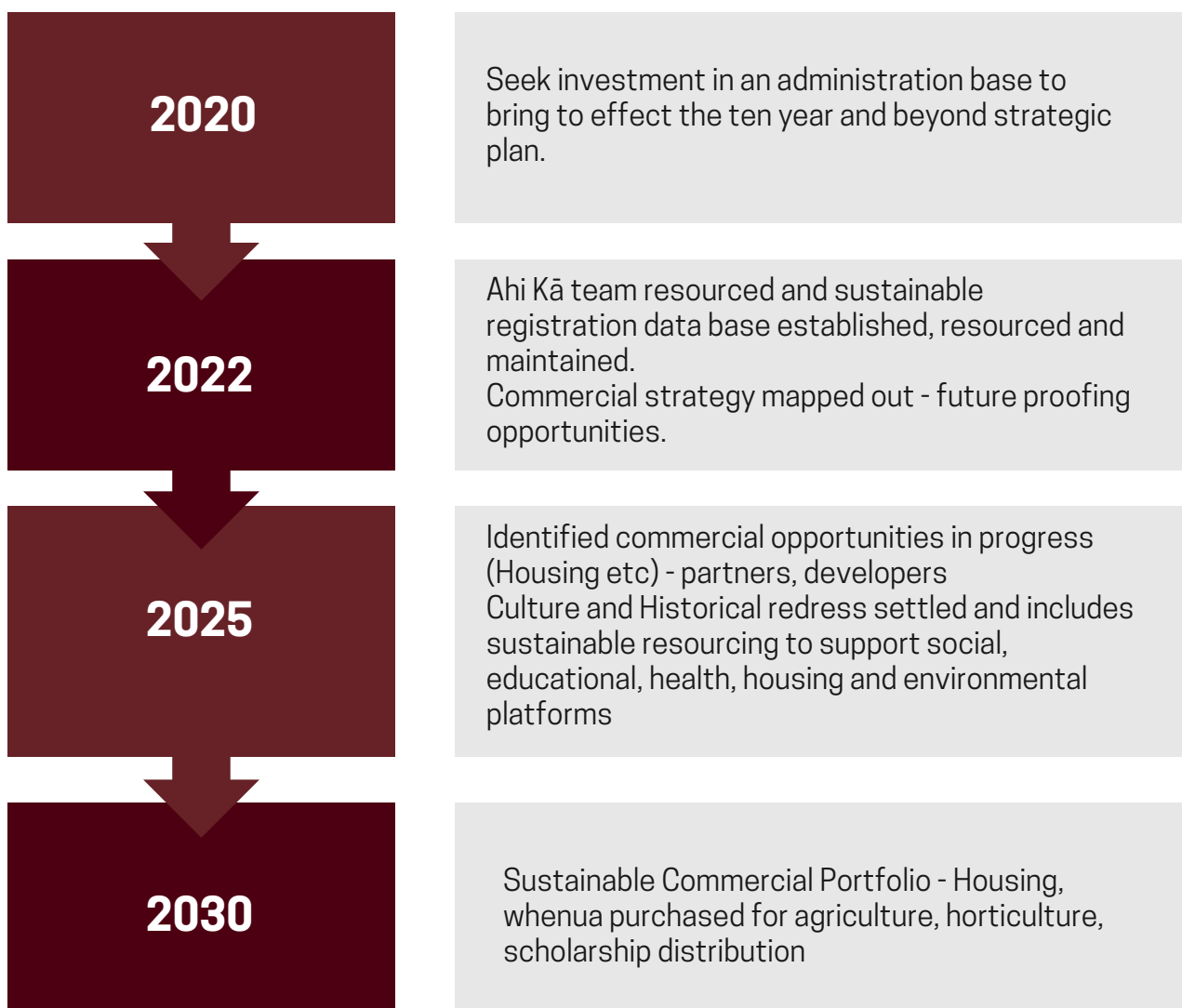
Resolution of Treaty claims is likely to have significant impact on management of resources within our rohe. In the interim, the precautionary approach would strongly suggest that significant management decisions should not exacerbate existing claims.

In any dispute as to which version of the Te Tiriti has mana, TRONR understand that the international protocol is that the Māori version has preference.

TEN YEAR WORK PROGRAMME

As the current Kaitiaki, we are entrusted with the profound responsibility of preserving and nurturing the mātauranga and resources bequeathed to us by our Tūpuna. Our sacred duty is to ensure that these taonga are passed on to our mokopuna in their full richness and vitality.

Aligned with this commitment, our 10 Year Work Plan serves as a beacon, guiding us with a clear and far-reaching vision. It sets forth ambitious yet attainable goals, meticulously crafted to meet the evolving needs of our hapū. This plan is our roadmap, ensuring that every step we take is in harmony with our ancestral wisdom and directed towards the welfare and prosperity of future generations.



A person wearing a dark cap and a light-colored hoodie is looking at a large, intricately carved wooden sculpture. The sculpture is a vertical piece with a face and detailed patterns. In the background, there are other carved wooden pieces, one hanging from the ceiling and another on a pedestal. The setting appears to be a gallery or museum.

OUR VISION

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rēhia is focused on providing an opportunity for its hapū members to strengthen its whakapapa and wairua connections and gain deeper understanding of their part in the economic and social development of Te Riu o Ngāti Rēhia.

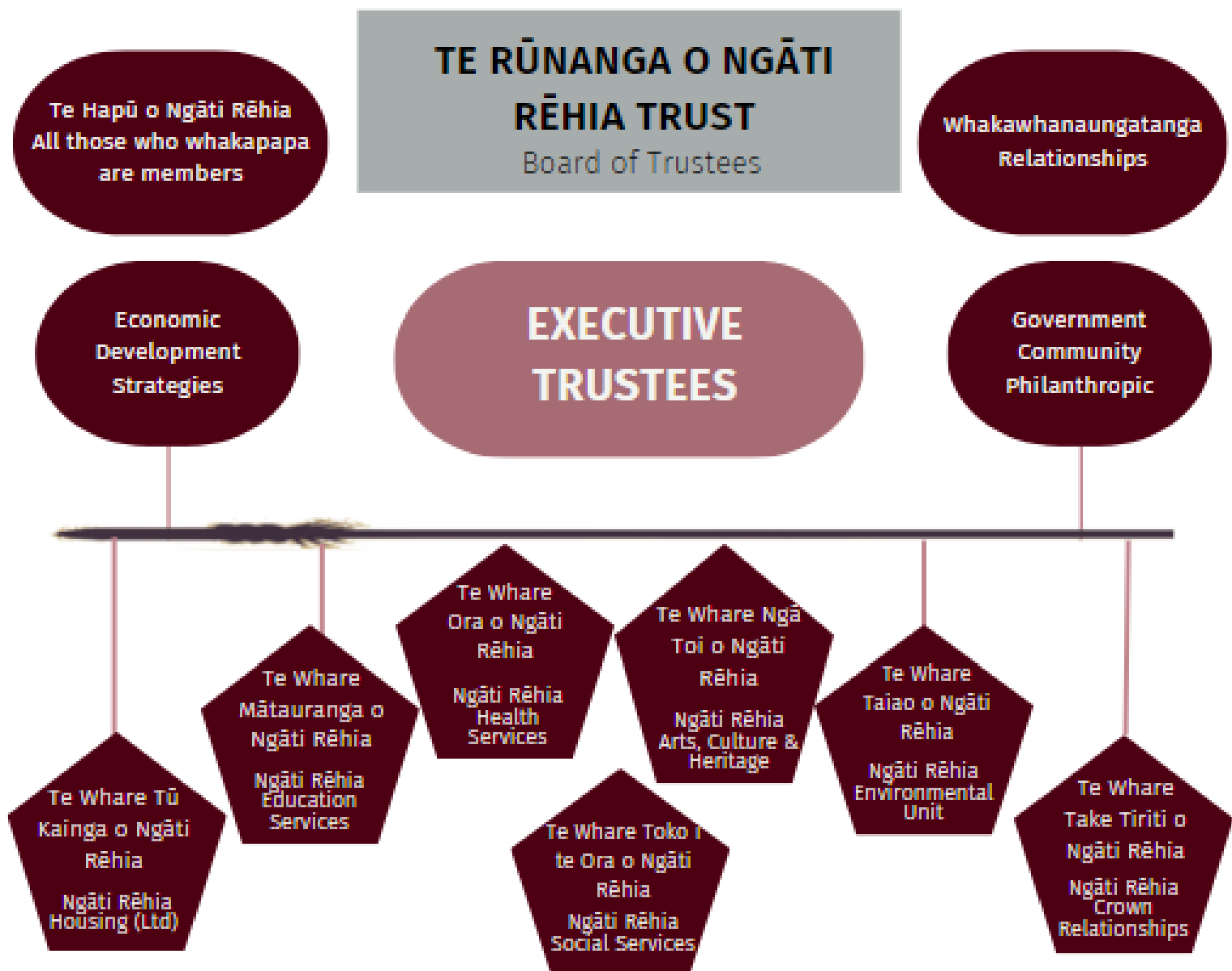
OUR MISSION

To develop a sustainable economic, social and cultural base for the continued growth of the hapū and community. We will develop and improve employment opportunities, housing, health and wellbeing for whānau and cultural activities in and around Kerikeri, as well as the continued focus on kaitiakitanga initiatives in the rohe.

ORGANISATION STRUCTURE

NGĀ MARAE

The ancestral homes of Ngā Uri o Ngā Hapū o Ngāpuhi.
Ngāti Rēhia treasures our relationships to the sub-tribes of Ngāpuhi



We are active participants in the sustainable development of our people

OUR TIKANGA

A tall, slender, silver sculpture with a bird-like finial at the top. The sculpture has a wide, shallow, bowl-like base made of dark, rounded stones. The base is supported by a central column and a ring of thin, radiating lines. The sculpture is set in a grassy area with trees in the background.

MĀRAMATANGA

Being accountable and transparent with our whānau, hapū and community to instil their trust, integrity and confidence.

KAITIAKITANGA

As Tangata Whenua we strive to restore, protect and improve our taiao.

RANGATIRATANGA

Leadership and direction will be evident in all parts of our business in the way that we conduct ourselves.

WAIKUATANGA

We will observe the tikanga and kawa of our tūpuna to ensure we develop within the spiritual and cultural context laid down by them.

WHANAUNGATANGA

Relationships are fundamental to our kaupapa and we will ensure that we put energy into developing good relationships and supporting good communications with our whānau, hapū and community.



OUR 2023 IMPACT NARRATIVE

In 2023, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rēhia profoundly impacted its hapū and community across various sectors

1. **Housing:** We revolutionised affordable living through strategic partnerships, enhancing community stability and quality of life.
2. **Education:** Our expanded Te Reo and Ngā Toi Māori courses strengthened cultural education, fostering language preservation and lifelong learning.
3. **Health:** Our holistic health services integrated traditional and modern practices, promoting overall well-being.
4. **Arts, Culture & Heritage:** Initiatives like our Ngā Toi Whakairo Exhibition Initiative celebrated and preserved our rich cultural heritage.
5. **Social Services:** We provided comprehensive community support, nurturing resilience and social cohesion.
6. **Environment:** Our environmental unit made strides in conservation and sustainable management, exemplifying our commitment to kaitiakitanga.
7. **Crown Relationships:** Our engagement with the Crown facilitated advocacy and collaboration, driving progress for our hapū.

The journey of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rēhia throughout 2023 has been marked by significant achievements across all our key portfolios. Our collective efforts have not only honored the legacy of our Tūpuna but also laid a solid foundation for the future generations of Ngāti Rēhia. Our commitment to sustainable development, cultural preservation, and community welfare echoes in every initiative we've undertaken, reinforcing our role as custodians of the future of our hapū. As we look ahead, we are filled with optimism and a sense of responsibility to continue this path of meaningful impact and progress.



TE WHARE TŪ KAINGA O NGĀTI RĒHIA **NGĀTI RĒHIA HOUSING**



Foundational Change

- *Innovative Housing Policies*: Developed policies focused on inclusivity and cultural sensitivity in housing.
- *Sustainable Construction Practices*: Emphasized eco-friendly materials and methods in building projects.
- *Funding for Affordable Housing Projects*: Secured resources to explore affordable housing options.

Community Change

- *Strengthened Partnerships with Developers*: Forged key collaborations for joint housing ventures.
- *Enhanced Community Involvement in Housing Decisions*: Encouraged active participation from community members in housing projects.

Cultural Change

- *Shift in Mindset Towards Sustainable Living and Community-centric Housing Solutions*: Fostered a community-wide appreciation for sustainable living practices and culturally appropriate housing developments.

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In this section, we delve into the remarkable achievements and progress made within Ngāti Rēhia Housing during the past year. Our commitment to providing secure and sustainable housing solutions for our community members has driven our initiatives forward.

Key Achievements

This year marked significant milestones for Ngāti Rēhia Housing:

- **Affordable Housing Initiatives:** We successfully advanced affordable housing projects, providing comfortable homes for numerous families in our community.
- **Housing Decision-Making Forums:** Our active participation in housing decision-making forums led to better housing outcomes for our community members.
- **Expression of Interest Process:** We initiated a comprehensive Expression of Interest process to understand our community's housing needs and progress.

Challenges and Lessons

While we celebrate our achievements, we acknowledge the challenges faced:

- **Funding Challenges:** Securing funding for housing initiatives required persistent efforts and creative solutions.
- **Community Engagement:** Ensuring active community engagement and addressing diverse housing needs presented valuable lessons.

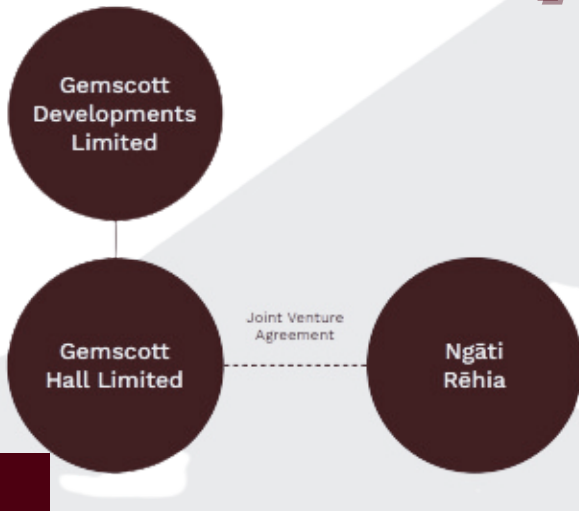
Community Impact

The impact of our housing initiatives on the community has been profound:

- **Empowered Families:** Stories of families who have found security and stability in our housing projects.
- **Community Growth:** How our housing projects have contributed to the growth and cohesion of our community.



TOP 3 HOUSING ACHIEVEMENTS



Outcome #001

Partnership with Gemscott Developments for Affordable Housing: This significant partnership aimed to address the critical need for affordable housing in Kerikeri. By collaborating with Gemscott Developments, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rēhia played a pivotal role in a housing project at Halls Rd, offering more accessible and cost-effective housing options for the community. This initiative represents a proactive approach to alleviate housing shortages and support community growth.

Outcome #002

Application to be a Community Housing Provider: The step towards becoming a registered Community Housing Provider with the Community Housing Regulatory Authority (CHRA) marks a strategic move to expand the role of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rēhia in providing housing services. This registration is crucial for enhancing the trust's capacity to deliver more structured and regulated housing assistance, thus elevating its ability to meet the diverse housing needs of the community more effectively.



Outcome #003

Funding for Critical Housing Repairs through TPK: The funding received from Te Puni Kōkiri (TPK) for critical housing repairs is a major achievement, reflecting the trust's commitment to improving living conditions. This funding allows for essential repairs and upgrades to existing housing, ensuring safety, enhancing comfort, and improving the overall quality of life for residents. It's a direct contribution to the well-being and stability of whānau within the community.



TE WHARE MĀTAURANGA O NGĀTI RĒHIA

NGĀTI RĒHIA EDUCATION



Foundational Change

Development of Inclusive Educational Policies:
Formulated policies ensuring accessibility and inclusivity in education.

Integration of Māori Perspectives in Curricula:
Incorporated Māori history, language, and culture into learning materials.

Increased Investment in Te Reo and Cultural Courses:
Enhanced funding for programs promoting Te Reo Māori and cultural education.

Community Change

• *Collaborations with Educational Institutions:* Established partnerships with schools and universities to enrich educational offerings.

• *Empowerment of Students in Educational Processes:* Fostered student involvement in shaping their educational experience.

Cultural Change

• *Changing Attitudes Towards the Value of Māori Education and Cultural Knowledge:* Cultivated a broader appreciation and respect for Māori educational values and cultural heritage.

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In this section, we reflect on the remarkable journey of Ngāti Rēhia Education Services during the past year. Our dedication to providing quality education and preserving cultural knowledge has been the driving force behind our achievements.

Key Achievements

This year witnessed significant accomplishments within Ngāti Rēhia Education Services:

- **Mātauranga Programme Success:** Our Mātauranga programmes flourished, with increased participation and cultural enrichment.
- **Community Engagement:** We expanded the adoption of Ngāti Rēhia Mātauranga programmes in local childcare centres and schools.
- **Language Revitalisation:** Progress toward our goal of 100% Te Reo Māori use within our homes and communities.

Challenges and Lessons

While we celebrate our successes, we encountered and learned from challenges:

- **Curriculum Integration:** Overcoming challenges in integrating our programmes into school curricula.
- **Language Revitalisation:** Addressing the complexities of language revitalisation within our community.

Community Impact

The impact of our educational endeavours on the community is profound:

- **Cultural Enrichment:** Stories of cultural enrichment and knowledge preservation.
- **Language Revival:** How our initiatives have contributed to Te Reo Māori revival within the community.



TOP 3 EDUCATION ACHIEVEMENTS



Outcome #001

Rautaki Reorua - Kerikeri Bilingual Town and Aotearoa NZ Histories Curriculum: This initiative marks a significant cultural shift, not only establishing Kerikeri as a bilingual town but also enriching local education with Ngāti Rēhia history. By integrating our stories into the curriculum, we've provided students with a comprehensive understanding of our heritage, enhancing cultural literacy and pride in our identity.

Outcome #002

Successful First Year of Truancy and Alternative Education Services: This programme effectively addressed attendance issues and disengagement in education. Its success lies in its tailored approach, meeting the unique needs of students and ensuring their active participation in the educational process, thereby improving overall academic engagement and outcomes.



TE MĀTAUAKI

MĀ TE MĀTAU, ME TE AKI, KA HONO TE KAKAMĀ

Outcome #003

Mānawatia a Puanga Matariki Whānau Event: This event was a cornerstone in cultural and educational engagement. By focusing on Matariki, it provided a platform for learning and celebrating significant aspects of Māori culture. This approach not only strengthened community bonds but also served as an educational tool, enhancing awareness and knowledge of Māori traditions and astronomy.



TE WHARE ORA O NGĀTI RĒHIA

NGĀTI RĒHIA HEALTH



Foundational Change

- *Implementation of Holistic Health Policies:* Established comprehensive health policies that consider physical, mental, and spiritual wellness.
- *Adoption of Traditional Healing Practices:* Integrated traditional Māori healing methods with contemporary healthcare.
- *Expanded Resource Allocation for Community Health:* Increased funding and resources for community health programs.

Community Change

- *Building Trust with Healthcare Providers:* Strengthened relationships and trust between community members and healthcare professionals.
- *Reshaping Power Dynamics in Healthcare Decision-Making:* Empowered community voices in healthcare planning and decisions.

Cultural Change

- *Evolving Perceptions of Health to Include Spiritual, Mental, and Cultural Well-being:* Shifted community understanding of health to a more holistic view that encompasses spiritual, mental, and cultural aspects.

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In this section, we highlight the remarkable journey of Ngāti Rēhia Health Services throughout the year. Our commitment to addressing health-related challenges and ensuring the well-being of our community has been the cornerstone of our efforts.

Key Achievements

The past year has seen notable achievements within Ngāti Rēhia Health Services:

- Career Opportunities: Contributed to discussions of nursing and retirement care workforce.
- Education Initiatives: Completion of various educational courses, including Te Reo and Apiculture.
- Addressing Social Issues: Ongoing research and efforts to address systemic diseases, mental health, and income access.

Challenges and Lessons

Alongside our accomplishments, we have faced challenges and embraced lessons:

- Social Challenges: Identification and response to challenges perpetuated by poverty and homelessness.
- Pandemic Response: Proactive planning for adaptable workforce and pandemic services.

Community Impact

The impact of our health services on the community is tangible:

- Support Initiatives: Stories of support for whānau facing hardship, including food and essential supplies.
- Career Advancement: Success stories of individuals securing employment and qualifications.



TOP 3 HEALTH ACHIEVEMENTS



Outcome #001

Contribution to Retirement Care Workforce Strategic Discussions: Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rēhia played a pivotal role in shaping the future of retirement care workforce strategies. Their involvement focused on addressing key issues such as workforce training, enhancing care quality, and adapting to the evolving needs of an aging population, thereby ensuring a more resilient and effective care system for the elderly.

Outcome #002

Submission to Localities and Health Form Reformation: The submission to health system reforms highlighted the trust's proactive approach to healthcare delivery. Their recommendations aimed to ensure healthcare services are more accessible, culturally responsive, and tailored to meet the unique needs of the community, thereby improving overall health outcomes.



Outcome #003

Outreach During COVID-19 Pandemic and Cyclone Gabrielle Support: During the COVID-19 pandemic and in the aftermath of Cyclone Gabrielle, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rēhia's outreach programs provided essential support to whānau. This included health and safety information, supplies, and emotional support, emphasizing their commitment to maintaining the health and well-being of the community during challenging times.



TE WHARE NGĀ TOI O NGĀTI RĒHIA **NGĀTI RĒHIA** **ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE**



Foundational Change

- *Establishment of Policies to Protect and Promote Arts and Heritage:* Created policies ensuring the preservation and promotion of cultural arts and heritage.
- *Innovative Cultural Preservation Practices:* Introduced creative methods for safeguarding and celebrating traditional arts.
- *Increased Funding for Cultural Initiatives:* Boosted financial support for cultural projects and artistic endeavours.

Community Change

- *Fostering Artist-Community Relationships:* Strengthened bonds between artists and the community, enhancing cultural exchange.
- *Rebalancing Power Dynamics in Cultural Representation:* Worked towards equitable representation in cultural matters.

Cultural Change

- *Broadening the Understanding and Appreciation of Ngāti Rēhia's Cultural Heritage and Arts:* Expanded community awareness and esteem for the rich cultural heritage and artistic legacy of Ngāti Rēhia.

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This section celebrates the vibrant and rich tapestry of arts, culture, and heritage within Ngāti Rēhia. We take a journey through the highlights and achievements that have defined this year.

Key Achievements

The past year has been marked by significant achievements within Ngāti Rēhia Arts, Culture & Heritage:

- Artistic Experiences: Successful initiatives to increase accessibility to artistic experiences for all age groups.
- Cultural Heritage: Preservation and promotion of indigenous cultural heritage, including tikanga.

Community Engagement

Our activities have deeply engaged the community:

- Whakairo Exhibition: A standout exhibition showcasing the exceptional work of our graduates.
- Cultural Guardianship: Ongoing cultural inductions for businesses and groups within Te Riu o Ngāti Rēhia.

Preservation and Revitalisation

Our commitment to preserving and revitalizing culture and heritage continues:

- Taonga Tuku Iho: Pursuing matters related to taonga tuku iho and the early return of Kororipo Pā.
- Cultural Workshops: Workshops, hui scheduling, and workshops with relevant authorities.



TOP 3 NGĀ TOI ACHIEVEMENTS



Outcome #001

Ngā Toi Manako Exhibition and Waka Lashing Workforce Development: The exhibition showcased the exceptional talent of graduates from the Ngā Toi Whakairo Programme. These skilled artists further contributed to the traditional waka lashing event at Te Ahurea, illustrating a successful cycle of training and practical application. This initiative not only celebrated the artistic skills but also established a sustainable workforce, preserving and promoting this significant cultural practice for future generations.

Outcome #002

Waka Lashing Wānanga at Te Ahurea:

This culturally significant event, involving the art of waka lashing, was enriched by the participation of Ngā Toi Whakairo graduates. It underscored the importance of passing down traditional skills, ensuring the preservation of this art form. The event also served as a platform for community engagement and cultural education, strengthening the ties between past and present.



Outcome #003

Completion of Te Haa o Te Ao Sculpture:

This significant public artwork in Kerikeri, represents a major achievement in cultural expression and environmental advocacy. This artwork, embodying the struggle against climate change, is a testament to the resilience and commitment Ngāti Rēhia have to raising environmental awareness. Despite facing challenges like vandalism and misinformation, this project, symbolizing harmony with nature, stands as a beacon of hope and inspiration in the community.



TE WHARE TOKO I TE ORA O NGĀTI RĒHIA

NGĀTI RĒHIA SOCIAL SERVICES



Foundational Change

- **New Social Support Policies:** Developed new policies to enhance the efficiency and reach of social services.
- **Adoption of Community-Led Service Practices:** Embraced practices driven by community needs and insights.
- **Enhanced Funding for Social Programs:** Secured increased financial resources for expanding social support programmes.

Community Change

- **Building Stronger Community Networks:** Strengthened the framework of support by connecting various community groups.
- **Shifting Power Towards Community-Led Initiatives:** Encouraged a model where community input leads social service initiatives.

Cultural Change

- **Changing Societal Views on Social Welfare and Community Support:** Fostered a shift in societal understanding, recognizing the importance and impact of comprehensive social support systems.

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This section offers a comprehensive overview of the accomplishments, challenges, and aspirations within Ngāti Rēhia Social Services during this year.

Key Achievements

Ngāti Rēhia Social Services has seen notable achievements during this period:

- Reducing Inequality: Successful initiatives to reduce inequality within vulnerable communities.
- Skill Development: Facilitating skill development, job placement, and entrepreneurship support.

Challenges and Lessons

Alongside our achievements, we encountered challenges and learned valuable lessons:

- Funding Obstacles: Navigating funding challenges in our pursuit of community betterment.
- Opposition Resilience: Demonstrating resilience in the face of opposition to social housing initiatives.

Community Impact

Our work has had a profound impact on the community:

- Food Security: Securing funding for the Food Secure Communities initiative to provide essential food packs.
- Water Tank Support: Assisting whānau with water tank installations, especially after Cyclone Gabrielle impacts.



TOP 3 SOCIAL SERVICES ACHIEVEMENTS



Outcome #001

Whānau Ora Navigator Services with Ngāti Hine Health Trust: The partnership with Ngāti Hine Health Trust enabled the provision of comprehensive Whānau Ora Navigator services, a crucial step in enhancing the support system for the community. This initiative involved offering personalised assistance, connecting whānau with essential services, and guiding them towards sustainable wellbeing.

Outcome #002

Manaaki Kai - Food Pack Delivery: Responding to the immediate needs during the pandemic, the distribution of food packs played a vital role in supporting families facing hardship or isolation due to COVID-19. This initiative showcased the commitment to ensuring that no member of the community went without essential supplies during a critical time.



Outcome #003

Winter Warmer Packs Collaboration with Habitat for Humanity: The collaboration with Habitat for Humanity to distribute Winter Warmer packs was a key initiative in providing practical support. These packs, containing essential items to combat the cold, were distributed to 20 whānau, reflecting a deep understanding of the community's needs and a commitment to offering tangible, season-specific assistance.



TE WHARE TAIAO O NGĀTI RĒHIA **NGĀTI RĒHIA** **ENVIRONMENTAL**



Foundational Change

- *Eco-Friendly Policies:* Implemented policies that prioritize environmental sustainability.
- *Sustainable Environmental Management Practices:* Adopted practices that ensure long-term ecological health.
- *Increased Resources for Conservation:* Allocated more resources towards conservation efforts.

Community Change

- *Collaborations with Environmental Groups:* Established partnerships with environmental organizations for joint efforts.
- *Empowering Community in Environmental Stewardship:* Encouraged community involvement in environmental protection.

Cultural Change

- *Shift in Community Mindset Towards Environmental Responsibility and Sustainability:* Cultivated a community-wide commitment to environmental sustainability and responsibility.

YEAR IN REVIEW

2023



This section provides a comprehensive overview of the activities, achievements, and future aspirations of the Ngāti Rēhia Environmental Unit during this year.

Key Achievements

The Environmental Unit has achieved significant milestones during this year:

- Kaitiakitanga Recognition: Honoured with an NRC Environmental Award in the Kaitiakitanga category.
- Climate-Resilient Guidelines: Establishment of climate-resilient guidelines for developers within the rohe.

Challenges and Lessons

Despite achievements, challenges have been faced, and lessons have been learned:

- Ongoing Funding Needs: Addressing the need for continuous funding to sustain environmental initiatives.
- Regulatory Complexities: Navigating regulatory complexities in environmental conservation efforts.

Community Impact

Our environmental efforts have made a significant impact on the community:

- Native Planting: Planting thousands of native trees and infilling with various native species.
- Educational Engagement: Engaging with stakeholders, politicians, and educational institutions to promote environmental awareness.



TOP 3 ENVIRONMENTAL ACHIEVEMENTS



Outcome #001

NRC Environmental Awards 2023 Success: The recognition of the Taiao Team at the NRC Environmental Awards 2023 as winners in the 'Kaitiakitanga' category signifies their outstanding dedication to environmental stewardship. This achievement highlights their effective and sustainable environmental practices, contributing significantly to the ecological well-being of the region.

Outcome #002

Hapū Ranger Training Programme Launch: This programme's launch marked a strategic move in environmental conservation education. By training individuals in effective environmental management and conservation techniques, the programme is set to create a cadre of skilled environmental guardians, ready to tackle current and future ecological challenges.



Outcome #003

Kauri Planting at Tākou Kauri Sanctuary: The community planting event at Tākou Sanctuary focused on the vital task of planting kauri trees. This initiative brought together children and caregivers, instilling a sense of responsibility and connection to the environment while actively contributing to the preservation and enhancement of the local ecosystem.



TE WHARE TAKE TIRITI O NGĀTI RĒHIA NGĀTI RĒHIA CROWN RELATIONSHIPS



Foundational Change

Development of Equitable Policies with the Crown: Created policies ensuring fairness and equality in dealings with the Crown.

- *Practice of Mutual Respect in Engagements:* Established a norm of mutual respect in interactions with the Crown.
- *Strategic Resource Sharing:* Implemented resource sharing strategies that benefit both Ngāti Rēhia and the Crown.

Community Change

• *Strengthening of Diplomatic Relationships:* Enhanced diplomatic ties and collaboration with the Crown.

- *Rebalancing Power Dynamics with the Crown:* Worked towards a more balanced power relationship.
- *Fostering Mutual Respect and Shared Decision-Making:* Encouraged joint decision-making processes based on respect and understanding.

Cultural Change

- *Transformation in Mutual Perceptions and Understanding:* Fostered a significant shift in how Ngāti Rēhia and the Crown view and understand each other, emphasizing the importance of partnership and co-governance.

YEAR IN REVIEW

2023



This section offers a comprehensive overview of Ngāti Rēhia's engagement with the Crown during this year, emphasising our commitment to upholding Te Tiriti o Waitangi obligations and advancing the interests of our hapū.

Key Achievements

- Successfully progressed discussions with the Waitangi Tribunal on Wai 1040 Te Papanahi o te Raki (Northland) Inquiry, focusing on handover arrangements and expected timeframes.
- Actively participated in the Ngā Hapū o te Takutai Moana Collective, furthering efforts to reconvene mahi for Wai 2660 Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act Inquiry.

Challenges and Lessons

- Ongoing Treaty Issues: The challenges of navigating ongoing Treaty issues, legal complexities, and negotiations with the Crown.
- Resource and Time Constraints: Managing resource and time constraints when engaging with multiple inquiries and proceedings simultaneously.
- Community Expectations: Addressing the community's expectations and ensuring that their interests are represented effectively.

Community Impact

- Preservation of Cultural Heritage: Ensuring the preservation and revitalization of cultural rights, heritage, and traditions within Ngāti Rēhia.
- Access to Land and Resources: Striving for fair and just compensation for past wrongs and access to land, resources, and other necessities for hapū well-being and development.



TOP 3 CROWN RELATIONSHIPS ACHIEVEMENTS



Outcome #001

Appointment of Alana Thomas as Judge of the Māori Land Court: The appointment of Alana Thomas, a key legal advisor for Ngāti Rehia, as the new permanent Judge of the Māori Land Court is a significant milestone. Her extensive experience in representing Ngāti Rehia across various legal forums, including the Waitangi Tribunal and the High Court, has been instrumental. Being the only current Judge from Ngāpuhi in the Māori Land Court, her appointment is a moment of pride for Ngāti Rehia and Ngāpuhi Nui Tonu.

Outcome #002

Signing Terms of Engagement for Kororipo Pā Return: This marks a milestone in Ngāti Rēhia's journey towards the return of Kororipo Pā. The agreement with the Crown establishes a framework for future negotiations, reflecting a significant step in the process of reclaiming ancestral land and exercising sovereignty.



Outcome #003

Hosted Hon James Shaw for Biodiversity Conservation Announcement: Welcoming the Associate Minister for the Environment and Minister of Climate Change for a significant announcement on biodiversity conservation, this event highlights Ngāti Rēhia's active involvement in environmental policy discussions and our role in shaping national conservation strategies.



FUNDING IMPACT

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rēhia Trust's robust fiscal framework, evidenced by a revenue of \$1.2M, has been pivotal in driving key initiatives forward.

Our comprehensive funding portfolio, spanning over 25 agreements, fuels programmes that address housing needs, advocate for bilingual education, and promote environmental conservation.

The outcomes of our funding are measured not just in successful projects, but in lives changed.

Each contract or agreement—whether it is enhancing early childhood services, protecting kauri, or supporting through emergency responses—translates into tangible benefits for Ngāti Rēhia, anchoring our role as catalysts for sustainable development and cultural empowerment.

Our funding contracts:

1. CHRA Community Housing Provider
2. DIA Aotearoa Reorua Bilingual Towns & Cities
3. DIA Hapū Led Development
4. DIA Lottery Northland Community
5. MHUD He Taupua – Housing Provision & Support
6. MOE Alternative Education
7. MOE Attendance & Engagement
8. MOE Learning Support Services
9. MOE SELO – Early Childhood Services in Kerikeri
10. MOE Toikuranui Investment in Ka Hikitia
11. MPI One Billion Trees – Kauri Sanctuary
12. MSD Community Capability & Resiliency
13. MSD Community Food Provider
14. MSD Maori Trades and Training Provider
15. MSD Whanau Engagement
16. NRC Climate Change Adaptation Planning
17. NRC Predator Free Pest Management Implementation
18. NRC Tangata Whenua Environmental Monitoring
19. Plant & Food Te Whakahononga – Biodiversity Management Areas
20. Provincial Development Unit Projects – Kauri Sanctuary
21. Provincial Growth Fund – Te Ahurea renovations
22. Te Pūkenga Programme Delivery – NZC Te Reo Māori, Whakairo, Primary Industry Operational Skills, Apiculture
23. Tiakina Kauri (Kauri Protection) Surveillance and Monitoring
24. TPK Emergency Response Cycling Gabrielle
25. TPK Housing Network – Critical Repairs
26. Whānau Ora Commissioning Activities subcontract with Ngāti Hine Health Trust



FINANCIAL OVERVIEW 2023



Financial Report Summary Year Ended 31 March 2023

Our focus on sustainable economic, social, and cultural development for the Ngāti Rēhia Hapū and Whānau has continued to shape our activities and financial management.

01. Revenue

Our total revenue was \$1,260,033, derived mainly from providing goods and services, donations, and other similar revenues.

02. Expenses

Total expenses amounted to \$1,401,788, with major costs in volunteer and employee-related expenses, and providing goods and services.

03. Financial Position

The year ended with a deficit of \$141,755. Despite this, our net assets remain strong at \$1,381,245.

04. Key Achievements

We continued to develop and improve employment opportunities, housing, health, wellbeing, and cultural activities. Our role as Kaitiaki in our Rohe remains a priority.

Our commitment to the community and the trust's mission remains unwavering. We will continue to strive for the best outcomes for our Hapū and Whānau, ensuring our financial management supports these objectives.



AWARDS & RECOGNITION

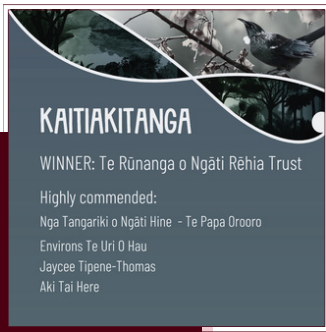
These awards celebrate TRONR's tireless efforts in fostering a strong sense of identity, sustainable practices, and social and economic growth within the Ngāti Rēhia rohe.



Best Not for Profit Māori Enterprise Award

Te Hiringa Te Tai Tokerau Māori Business Awards

We proudly received the Te Hiringa Tai Tokerau Best Not For Profit Enterprise Award for our outstanding contributions to the community and our commitment to social development.



Kaitiakitanga Award

NRC Whakamānawa ā Taiao Environmental Awards

Our environmental unit's efforts were recognized with an NRC Environmental Award in the Kaitiakitanga category. This award acknowledges our commitment to environmental stewardship and the preservation of local flora and fauna.



Sustainable Tourism Award

Qualmark New Zealand

Te Ahurea was honoured with a prestigious Qualmark award for its commitment to sustainable tourism. This recognition highlights our dedication to protecting and preserving Aotearoa's natural beauty while fostering meaningful connections with our hapū and community.



COVID-19 Response Recognition Award

Prime Minister of New Zealand

We were honoured with the COVID-19 Response Recognition Awards, which were established by the government to acknowledge individuals and organisations that made valuable contributions to COVID-19 response efforts. This award serves as a testament to our commitment and dedication to the well-being and safety of our community.

NGĀ MARAE ME NGĀ KAINGA ME NGĀ URUPA O NGĀTI RĒHIA

Our marae, our ancestral homes, are the embodiment of our tūpuna and the cultural heart of our whānau and hapū. Over the years they have been the places where Ngāti Rēhiatanga has been nurtured and maintained and where the manaakitanga of Ngāti Rēhia has been shown to all our manuhiri.

They have been places where deaths have been mourned, lives celebrated, our heritage remembered and ultimately all issues facing our people discussed. In times of crisis or calamity our marae have been places of refuge and relief for all members of our community. Today many of our marae are in poor repair. Many of our ancestral houses need to be rebuilt.

Our marae are represented on our Iwi authority, Te Rūnanga Ā Iwi o Ngāpuhi, via representatives on our Takiwā committee, Te Taiāmai ki te Marangai Takiwā. Our kainga, our ancestral villages, are the places our tūpuna families lived their daily lives. Once they were numerous and Ngāti Rēhia moved seasonally between their villages constructed close to the best gardening, birding and fishing areas.

When the missionary Marsden first came to Ngāti Rēhia he described the bays of Te Kerei Mangonui as each having a kainga carefully laid out and surrounded by neatly kept gardens. Since that time the alienation and sale of land and the urban drift of our families to the cities has diminished our kainga to only a handful. While TRONR remains optimistic that papakainga will eventually be re-established on all remaining ancestral land, there are major obstacles with issues such as land succession, rating and development controls to be addressed and overcome.

Our ancestral urupa, our burial areas, are also found throughout the rohe. For Ngāti Rēhia these places are tapu. TRONR consider that only tikanga should hold any weight in decisions over the management of these areas. We insist that TRONR and the marae are fully consulted over any development or management decision by any external party affecting our marae, our kainga or our urupa.



Conclusion

The year has been a remarkable journey of growth, achievement, and community support. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated team, our valued partners, and the entire Ngāti Rēhia community for their unwavering support. Together, we have achieved significant milestones and strengthened our connection to our culture and heritage.

As we look to the future, our commitment remains resolute. We are determined to continue our mission of sustainable economic, social, and cultural development, ensuring the wellbeing of our hapū and the wider community. Together, we will build a brighter tomorrow.

MORE ABOUT US

We invite you to join us in this journey. Stay connected with Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rēhia as we embark on another year of positive change, cultural preservation, and hapū and community empowerment.



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