



“ Kia Tū Pakari ai Tātou ”

SmartGrowth Combined Tāngata Whenua Forum

Thursday 7 March 2024

10:00am – 12:30am

Western Bay of Plenty District Council

1484 Cameron Road – Tauranga

| Forum Members | | |
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| Mauao Constituent Member to the Bay of Plenty Regional Council | Apologies | Matemoana McDonald |
| Te Rangapū Mana Whenua o Tauranga Moana representatives & alternates | In person | Matire Duncan – Chair of Te Rangapū Mana Whenua o Tauranga Moana (Chair CTWF) |
| | | Des Heke - Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Ranginui (Alternate) |
| | | Destiny Leaf - Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Ranginui |
| | | Parewhakarau Tapuikuka (Pare Kuka) - Ngāti Kahu |
| | | Rana Witeri – Ngāti Kahu (Alternate) |
| | | Piripi Hikairo - Ngāti Kahu (Alternate) |
| | Apologies | Veronica Manu Seddon – Ngāti Hangarau |
| | | Tim O’Brien - Ngāti Hangarau (Alternate) |
| | | Des Tata - Ngāi Tamarāwaho |
| | In Person | Kura Martin – Tukaokao - Ngāi Tamarāwaho (Alternate) |
| | | Eruera Brown - Ngāi Tamarāwaho (Alternate) |
| | | Alison Flavell - Ngāti Ruahine |
| | | Neville Walker - Ngāti Ruahine (Alternate) |
| | | Charnaye Walker - Ngāti Ruahine (Alternate) |
| | In Person | Rangiwhakaehu Irene Walker - Ngāi Te Ahi |
| | | Rondell Reihana - Ngāi Te Ahi (Alternate) |
| | N/A | Te Pio Kawe - Ngāi Te Ahi (Alternate) |
| | Online | Whitiora McLeod - Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Te Rangi |
| | | Pia Bennett - Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Te Rangi (Alternate) |
| | In person | Andrea Webster – Ngati He |
| | | Hayden Henry - Ngāi Tūkairangi |
| | | Tui Henry - Ngāi Tūkairangi (Alternate) |
| | Apologies | Lorin Waetford - Ngāi Tūkairangi (Alternate) |
| | Online | Nathan James - Ngāti Kuku |
| | | Aroha Kopae - Ngāti Kuku (Alternate) |
| | | Ngawaka Walker - Ngāti Kuku (Alternate) |
| In person | Puhirake Ihaka - Ngāti Tapu | |
| | Rapata Rangitukunoa – Ngāti Tapu (Alternate) | |
| | Pine McLeod - Ngāti Kaahu | |
| | Jesse Piri Campbell – Ngāti Kaahu (Alternate) | |
| Online | Spencer Webster – Nga Potiki | |



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| | | Buddy Mikaere - Ngāti Pūkenga |
| | | Kylie Smallman - Ngāti Pūkenga (Alternate) |
| | | Sam Mikaere - Ngāti Pūkenga (Alternate) |
| | | Mokoera Te Amo – Te Kapu o Waitaha |
| | | Maru Tapsell – Te Kapu o Waitaha (Alternate) |
| | Online | Rawiri Biel – Tapuika Iwi Authority |
| | | Helen Biel – Tapuika Iwi Authority (Alternate) |
| | In person | Manu Pene – Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whakaue ki Maketu |
| | | Liam Tapsell – Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whakaue ki Maketu (Alternate) |
| | | Nick Leef - Ngāti Taka |
| | | Destiny Leaf - Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Ranginui |
| Te Kāhui Mana Whenua o Tauranga Moana | Apologies | Buddy Mikaere - Ngāti Pūkenga |
| | | Reon Tuanau - Te Whānau o Tauwhao ki Ōtawhiwhi |
| | In Person | Nessie Kuka - Ngāi Tūwhiwhia |
| | Apologies | Riki Nelson - Ngāti Te Wai |
| | | Te Uta Rolleston - Ngāi Tamawhariua ki te Moutere o Matakana |
| | | Paretaihinu Samuels-Hudson - Ngāi Tamawhariua ki te Rereatukāhia |
| | | Paea Ake - Pirirakau |
| | In Person | Leanne Faulkner – Ngāti Ruahine / Te Wakaiti |
| | In person | Geoff Rice - Ngati Marukukere |
| | | Vance Skudder - Ngati Marukukere (alternate) |
| Te Ihu o Te Waka o Te Arawa | In person | Manu Pene - Te Runanga o Ngāti Whakaue ki Maketu |
| | | Maru Tapsell - Te Kapu o Waitaha |
| | | Noel Mahia – Te Kapu o Waitaha |
| | Online | Rawiri Biel – Ngāti Kuri |
| | | Petera Tapsell – Whakaue Marae |
| | | Roland Kingi - Ngāti Pikiao |
| | | Darlene Dinsdale |
| | | Tania Turner - Ngāti Whakahemo |
| | | Alfred Potiki – Ngāti Moko |
| | N/A | Elva Conroy – Ngāti Tuheke |
| | Online | Andy Gowland-Douglas - Tapuika Iwi Authority |
| | In Person | Maihi Wihapi - Tuhourangi |
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| | Online | Craig Batchelar – SmartGrowth Strategic Advisor |
| | Online | Andrew Turner – SmartGrowth Independent Chair |
| SmartGrowth | | |
| | In Person | Te Pio Kawe – Pou Ārahi Strategic Advisor |
| | In Person | Elva Conroy – Kai Ārahi Technical Advisor |
| | In Person | Nicola Delaney – SmartGrowth Support |
| | In Person | Ben Urbanc – Western Bay of Plenty District Council |
| | In Person | Keren Paekau – Tauranga City Council |



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| Council or Agency | | |
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| | In Person | Shad Rolleston – Commissioner, Tauranga City Council |
| | In Person | Antoine Coffin – Bay of Plenty Regional Council |
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| | In Person | Georgina Graham – Observer |
| | In Person | Arthur Flintoff – Observer |
| Guests | | |
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Manu Pene opened the meeting with a Karakia.

1. Apologies

- Apologies were received from Matemoana McDonald, Buddy Mikaere, Veronica Manu Seddon, Darlene Dinsdale, Hori Ahomiro, Lorin Waetford, Kylie Smallman, Carlo Ellis, Nassah Rolleston-Steed, Riki Nelson, Helen Biel, Alfred Potiki.
- Apologies were received from Spencer Webster for early departure.

Moved: Te Runanga o Ngati Whakaue (Manu Pene)

Seconded: Ngati He (Andrea Webster)

That it be resolved

- Apologies for absence be received.

CARRIED

2. Conflicts of Interest

- No conflicts arose.

3. Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting held 28 November 2023 were accepted as a true and correct record.

Moved: Ngati He (Andrea Webster)

Seconded: Ngati Marukukere (Geoff Rice)

- Leanne Faulkner noted she the minutes inaccurately listed her as a representative on Te Rangapū Mana Whenua o Tauranga Moana. She is a representative on Te Kahu Mana Whenua o Tauranga Moana.

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4. Actions from Previous Meeting (reference to Paper B)

| No. | Meeting Date | Action | Who | Status |
|-----|--------------|--|-----------------|---|
| 28 | 26/05/23 | SmartGrowth Strategy Workshop: Jodie Rickard to share the slides from Charles Waldegrave Presentation once they become available. | | 27.09 – Pending Conference presentation is not yet available. 28.11 – Pending. 07.03.24 – Closing, conference presentation not available. |
| 29 | 28/07/23 | Water availability Present water report mentioned at the next CTWF hui | Claudia | 28.11 – Pending Water report awaiting internal approval. Claudia to present at the next CTWF. 07.03.24 – Pending, will be presented May CTWF. |
| 37 | 28/11/23 | Western Bay Public Transport Services & Infrastructure Anuradha to seek responses to the questions raised from Mathew Kilpatrick. | Elva & Anuradha | 07.03.24 – Completed, included in Agenda. Action closed. |
| 38 | 28/11/23 | SmartGrowth Strategy Update Elva to investigate who from Combined Tāngata Whenua Forum will be speaking to the submission at the hearings. | Elva | 07.03.24 – Completed CTWF members who spoke at the hearing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Des (on behalf of Whiti). • Nga Potiki a Tamapahore Trust. • Ngāi Tukairangi Hapū Trust. • Pirirakau Inc. Society Ngāi Tukairangi Ahu Whenua Trust also presented at the hearing. Action closed. |

5. Forum Session 1

Elva Conroy spoke to the forum session.

- Discussion around our priorities for this year and beyond.
- Making sure we are clear on our expectations of SmartGrowth and valuing your time.
- Survey with members, questions and responses done through Menti survey.
- What can we do collectively that we can't do individually?
 - Collectively meet as Tauranga Moana, to decide on what impacts us all, water how much we have to sustain the future & the Port decision.



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- Noted the overarching theme being seen is the power of the collective.
- A survey from last year provided insight. Some members didn't agree that our values and aspirations are evident within SmartGrowth. A comment from Whitiōra in February 2023 was noted around making sure we have a strong treaty-based partnership within SmartGrowth. Submissions from the Strategy picked up on this key theme.
- How do we know we are a valued partner of SmartGrowth?
 - Being given the same rating as western size when it comes to decision-making.
 - Important to ask ourselves as Tāngata Whenua how well we are positioned & strengthened within each other to hold the voice strongly within SmartGrowth. Representatives need full support from Tāngata Whenua before they go to SmartGrowth. Strengthened within first.
- What can SmartGrowth do to demonstrate a meaningful partnership with Tāngata Whenua?
 - A representative asked “What can Tāngata Whenua do to show a meaningful partnership with Tāngata Whenua?”
 - Resourcing for SmartGrowth to do the job better.
 - Leadership within the council should recognise pay is not on the same level.

Comments on the Survey

- Elva will circulate the survey responses and do an analysis on the data.
- Meaningful partnership is required. The Partnerships between iwi and hapu is more within the councils, this is the implementation of what the strategy is.
- It was noted there is a gap between what is happening across the subregion, the 7 priority development areas, for growth of development is one reason why the submission was made for papakāinga land blocks and the need for its own priority area. The gap between Māori land and the 7 growth areas is getting bigger. This will give a baseline to use as a reference for our growth.
- Is SmartGrowth actually taking us forward?
- SmartGrowth is long-term future thinking, about how the city grows in the wider community and how it is managed. For Māori looking after what is most important to us and providing enabling opportunities for our people through housing, land development and other areas.
- Tāngata Whenua references SmartGrowth as a beast, what does that mean for Tāngata Whenua and how its evolved? Trying to be a part of the bigger picture for the growth of the region that SmartGrowth needs to consider, the role of Tāngata Whenua is to discuss at this table, the impacts on us bringing our point of view and putting a lens on it.
- There is a difference between our priorities to SmartGrowth priorities.
- The voice is very important, values need to reflect Tāngata Whenua.
- Our priority is to our people, which will also benefit the wider community.
- Review the collective vision and realign ourselves with the collective vision.
- It was asked who designed SmartGrowth?
 - SmartGrowth discussion started in 2002 and launched in 2004 was designed by both Tāngata Whenua & Councils.
 - The first 8 hui held by SmartGrowth were held at different marae, there was a strong response from our people who didn't want to participate.
- Need to break the issues into manageable areas to be able to put forward the Tāngata Whenua future approach.
- It was noted valuable questions came from Elva's survey. We have a relationship with SmartGrowth, happy to keep moving forward.



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- Identifying things we need to do for Tāngata Whenua and sitting here with councils.
- Tū Pakari being two members is not enough.

Actions:

- Elva to circulate the responses given during the survey.

6. Update on Central Government Changes

Craig Batchelar & Andrew Turner spoke to the Update on Central Government Changes.

- Paper was taken as read.
- Central government has confirmed a strong partnership with SmartGrowth.
- Chris Bishop’s media release on housing confirmed and gave impressions, timing on our workload ahead.
- Transport Strategy government policy, confirmed what has been heard.
- Deliberations panel is working through what risks the government policy changes have. A risk is lowering the environmental lines. An opportunity is breaking down barriers to get infrastructure in place.
- Aim to get the strategy approved by April 2024.
- Questions from members:
 - Further details requested around resource management system paragraph 4. Previous government put forward the NDA and spatial planning act the new government policy was to repeal those. It had provided some strong mandates and focus on implementation plan, this has all gone. Principles of the approach will be carried on to our implementation planning, to give confidence about where we are heading. Government signalled a new resource management legislation which may come out later this year.
- Continued monitoring of the policy shifts will happen.
- Medium density regional strategy (MDRS).
- Noted that a member is not happy with point 5.
- Asked for an opportunity to have a workshop to take us through this information to understand the impact these changes have made in terms we can understand.
- Antoine Coffin noted Craig has brought the most up-to-date changes, this is a fast-moving space, and more discussion will happen as changes and updates happen.
- A workshop or face to face can happen, giving an opportunity to get the most up-to-date information on what is happening. Antoine Coffin noted he can be a part of this.
- Andrew noted what we don’t know is how policies will play out. Some of the work will take some time to be developed. Meeting has been booked with Minister Bishop 16 April.
- Need to keep reporting back to the forums about what we know and what it means.
- It was noted this will become a standing item on our agenda.

Recommendation

That the **Combined Tangata Whenua Forum:**

1. **Receives** the update on Central Government Changes.



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Moved: Ngāti Ruahine (Leanne Faulkner)

Seconded: Ngāti He (Andrea Webster)

7. SmartGrowth Strategy Update

Craig Batchelar & Andrew Turner spoke to the SmartGrowth Strategy Update.

- Information paper to let everyone know the process of the strategy, submissions made and hearing deliberation panel process.
- Hearing was completed in December. Hearing Panel reconvening on 19 March 2024 to complete the work.
- Paragraph 12, panel recommendation going to Senior Leadership Group. Panel has asked for a report and recommendation to go out 10 days before 23 April, to give time for review and to raise questions or clarification.
- Tāngata Whenua reps will need to work through the recommendations.
- If discussion is needed prior to the meeting, Andrew and Craig can support this.
- Elva Conroy acknowledges the Tāngata Whenua representatives and those who spoke at the hearing.

Comments from members

- Are we being heard and feeling engaged? Meeting in April Tāngata Whenua still needs to go back to our people to get a response to give to SmartGrowth. We need to be given time for each hapu and iwi to be able to explain and give a reasonable answer.
- Elva to prepare information to be provided to iwi and hapu in terms they can understand.
- Strategy had a summary to give more easily understood information. For the amended strategy we need to prepare easily readable material.
- Craig Batchelor noted, once the strategy is signed off, the next step will be moving into the Implementation Plan for the next 3 years. Will be the next focus. Budget for 2024/2025 will be worked on next month, your opportunity to address what is coming up soon for discussion around resourcing.

Recommendation

That the **Combined Tangata Whenua Forum:**

1. **Receives** the update on the SmartGrowth Strategy.

Moved: Ngāti Ruahine (Leanne Faulkner)

Seconded: Ngāti He (Andrea Webster)

Actions:

- Elva to prepare information to be provided to iwi and hapu in terms they can understand for the update to the strategy.



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8. Tū Pakari Update

Elva Conroy and Te Pio Kawe spoke to the SmartGrowth Strategy Update.

- Sharing the report on page 20.
- Spatial planning work was to be run by the forum over time we have found the forum is to support as opposed to leading the spatial planning.
- Looking to call the first conference for Ara Rau Tāngata on the 15 April. Panui will be coming out, great opportunity to let people know the Kaupapa that makes up Ara Rau Tāngata. Possibly to develop appropriate workshops.
 - The journey originated many years back, the idea of the Ara Rau Tāngata arose 2018 how to assist, help, guide and provide a service for our people.
 - Ara Rau Tāngata started with the help of Tauranga City Council now its own entity, the support will be given from all councils. Workshop on 28 February was held, reaching out to those who would like to be a part of this journey. Our waka needs to be set up and established.
 - Here to help where we can and when we can.

9. Forum Session 2

Elva Conroy spoke to the forum session 2.

- Provided a Menti survey.
- Noting not everyone is here, other opportunities will be provided to further mould how we do this, and how we can support and build capability.
- What's the do-ey?
 - Processing to housing development connection of roads connection of the centres.
 - SmartGrowth is more than housing, helping to prepare what is coming, working out what parts the forum needs to be covering and what our whānau can lead.
 - Are we reviewing the whole picture of what Tāngata Whenua says, what does it look like for Tāngata whenua to be getting good updates.
 - Supporting our marae communities and our heritage.
 - Geoff Rice noted housing is a priority but how do you make it a reality?
- What do you need the Tū Pakari advisors to do/be for the CTWF?
 - Still need to bring all the things together.
 - Updates from SmartGrowth and Ara Rau Tāngata.
 - CTWF is made of 3 forums, ensure a collective response, we need coordinated feedback.
- Interest in trailing offsite hui is this something that is wanted and what are the considerations?
 - Whitiara McLeod noted he can talk with Mangatawa Offices to see if it can be fitted into the schedule.
 - It was noted if putting marae forward to host, if another hui takes priority, it will be the member who put forward the location responsibility to find an alternate location.
 - Could be seen that it's about that community.
 - Could the community host and talk about their papakāinga or urban development?
 - Possibility to alternate from Marae to Council Chambers.



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- What is something that would make forum meetings worth your time?
 - Don't want overlapping, how effective our collective decision making is and reflected in the positive changes that are happening today.
 - See our people moving forward across the board.
 - Progress is slow in housing, aspiration is around how to reduce the time and speed up the development progress.
 - Want to hear the testimonies and feel-good stories.
 - Ara Rau Tāngata is a place SmartGrowth can't go only Māori can go on our lands to bring Ara Rau Tāngata together.
 - What needs to be done for our roads?
 - We could be doing better, asking to focus the Tāngata Whenua to give guidance on what is needed from our Tāngata Whenua.
 - Look at what still needs to be done in the spatial planning area.
 - Help to provide support and keep on track.
- Elva acknowledged everyone today for giving feedback this was a very valuable session thank you.
- Look into our Relationships with those we know, anyone who can give intel and set up meetings with ministers, could help to provide the opportunity.

10. General Business

- Antoine Coffin spoke regarding the Tauranga Moana advisory group. Once settlement is legislated there will be a governance group with crown partners. The primary role to prepare a strategic document looking at a vision objective of how to look after Tauranga Moana.
- The vision is to look after Tauranga Moana.
- What strategic response do you want, currently doing exploration on how other iwi have been through this process?
- Window of opportunity use the space, think about appropriate approach for Tauranga Moana
- No proposal yet, wanting to know what your expectations are for the future of Tauranga Moana, waterways, catchments, and harbour.
- Request to socialise and think, Antoine to come back to discuss this.

Manu Pene closed the meeting with a Karakia Whakamutunga

ACTIONS

| No. | Meeting Date | Action | Who | Status |
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| 29 | 28/07/23 | Water availability: Present water report mentioned at the next CTWF hui | Claudia | 28.11 – Pending Water report awaiting internal approval. Claudia to present at the next CTWF. 07.03.24 – Pending, will be presented at May CTWF meeting. |



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| 39 | 7/03/2 | Forum Session 1 & 2: Elva to circulate the responses given during the survey. | Elva | |
| 40 | | SmartGrowth Strategy Update Elva to prepare information to be provided to iwi and hapu in terms they can understand for the update to the strategy. | Elva | |

Meeting Closed: 12:45pm

Next Meeting: 8 May 2024

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