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## Hui Taumata ki Kahungunu / TKKM o te Wānanga Whare Tapere o Takitimu

The Hui Taumata, held on Friday the 31<sup>st</sup> of May 2024, was the latest hui called by Kingi Tuheitia to identify solutions that encapsulate Kotahitanga. The crowds gathered just outside the tomokanga of Omahu marae for the pōwhiri commencing at 9 am. Te Aomihia Taua - Glassie (Te Hapai ō), Daniel Hapuku (Mataroa), Angela O'Donnell-King (Kaihautū Māori), Hemi Ferris-Bretherington and Patty Robinson (Te Huarahi Māori Motuhake) represented PPTA Te Wehengarua.

Kingi Tuheitia, his wife and the wider Waikato whānau resided on the mahau of the wharenuui, Kahukuranui. Included on the mahau was Bob Gillies, the last living member of the Māori 28<sup>th</sup> Battalion, and his moko, Sir Tipene O'Regan and his daughter, Hana O'Regan. Once everyone was settled, the proceedings began.

**Bayden Barber** (CEO of Ngāti Kahungunu) acknowledged the motu and named tangata rongonui (famous people) from the Māori world; firstly, Kingi Tuheitia i te tuatahi, He welcomed everyone and spoke of the connection to Waikato, the King's support after cyclone Gabrielle then mihi and kōrero to each iwi in attendance. He asked for everyone to bring their kaupapa rangatira.

**Takuta Ferris** (Te Waipounamu) - Te Pāti Māori mihi ki te matenga te papa o Rawiri Waititi ko Winston Rawiri and restated the Pāti Māori call for a whare rangatiratanga.

**Hone Sadler** (Ngapuhi)- asked for a plan to be made.

**Selwyn Parata** (Ngāti Porou) (Waikato) talked about kōrero tuku iho.

**Rahui Papa** (Waikato) praised Bayden for bringing everyone together and all the kaupapa Bayden- kotahitanga talked about Māori response to the Kāwanatanga whakatāmi. Kahungunu have had many hui a ki Waipatu. We have to learn to Mahi tahi Whare Kotahitanga.

*'Te amorangi ki mua te hapai ō ki muri.'* *'Te kauae runga Te kauae raro.'*

**Ngira Simmonds** (Waikato)

He Whakaputanga me Te Tiriti o Waitangi That Aotearoa remained Aotearoa despite government policies. Be Māori all day every day. All hui hui no doey doey. These hui are different. Important, ensure we have the voice of rangatahi.

**Hope Tupara** (Hemana Wāhine Māori Toko I te Ora/ MWWL)

Whakatu tetahi whare paremata Maori. Ko te whakapapa te tuatahi Wāhine Māori tokona te ora

**Annette Sykes** (Ngāti Pikiao)

You can't dismantle the colonizer's house with the colonizer's tools. House of unity. We have declared independence of Ngāti Pikiao. The real power of the Crown lies in the courts. We want a resolution. Aotearoa belongs to all Māori. MPs should be standing together. House of unity should come from iwi, hapū, whānau Kaupapa Māori is the response when they interfere and takahi on our reo. Structures should not be built without our values. Pursuit of excellence

The legality of Foreshore and seabed is being fought in the courts. The next one is possibly the Fast Track Bill and water ownership. Colonial arrogance must stop.

Some of Annette's protege got up to waiata tautoko and speak.

Annette said, "I didn't write this, they did, I'm never home (last four months, every day at the High Court), they sing, - I can't, they haka- I can't, they drive- I can't see, they use the tea towel at the marae – I don't."

### **Waihoroi Shortland** (Ngāpuhi)

Whare Maori rangatira o muri haere kei mua.

1 miriona Maori e ora ana

### **Aperahama** (CEO of Ngāti Wai) Matike mai- Moana Jackson

**Cushla** Labour MP of Te Tairāwhiti. I am there for you. Please vote.

### **Tipene O'Regan** (Ngāi Tahu)

Geoffrey Palmer when he was Prime Minister, said, "it is not a nullity."

Privy Council

The greatest threat is the loss the principles of Tiriti o Waitangi.

Must necessarily include but are not limited to the words within Te Tiriti o Waitangi

Mentioned the work of Eddie Durie Tangata whenua and tangata whenua.

We are in the throes of a bad hair day.

### **Ranieri Proctor** (Hemana for Te Kohanga Reo Trust)

I am fortunate to be the product of a blessed early learning experience. The kohanga reo generation are here. We have been limited with funding and meeting our aspirations for te reo Māori. We should have 50,000 in kohanga we have 8000.

We can see a mana motuhake future. Let's utilize the kohanga reo generation. We are ready.

### **Rawiri Wright** (Co-chair Te Rūnanga o Ngā Kura Kaupapa Māori)

Pouri te ngākau.

There is a Mauri taketake for everybody. Mauri man-made at their heart.

It's just tinkering. It is based on deficit thinking. Co-governance te Mauri o te whare paremata ehara mo tātou i tāwāhi kē. Kotahitanga must be sourced in Mauri taketake. Mauri taketake not Mauri manene

### **Jeremy McLean** (Ngāti Kahungunu)

Toitū te reo Kahungunu 8-9 Ākuhata

### **Tama Potaka (Minister of Māori Development- National)**

He nui ngā wero mihi Kamehameha. E tautoko ana au ki te korero.

Kaore au i wareware te kōrero. Rongo me te whakarongo. I am here to actively listen.

### **Toni Brunton** (Māori spokesperson from Whakatāne)

We hikoi inanahi in Whakatane. 20 years ago we had Foreshore and Seabed. Maori wards reps in local government are under threat. We have to vote to keep our Maori wards.

### **Daphne** (Omāhu marae spokesperson)

Feb 2023 response to cyclone Gabrielle. The response was extensive. Many months wait for reimbursement from the response fund and the local government. Delayed access to resources. We didn't have months to wait. We relied on each other.

The Tiriti house models from Whatarangj Winiata and the work of Moana Jackson (Matike Mai) should be utilised.

**Huhana Lyndon** (Green Party MP). Successive policies being fast tracked. We feel embattled. We need constitutional change. 27000 submissions on Fast Track. You are not being respected in the fast-track process. PUBLIC WORKS BILL. Maori wards next week. We are constantly being attacked.

**Martin Halliday** (Councillor, Paraparaumu) Talked of urban the Māori journey of discovery and the Council's integration of tikanga Māori.

### **Kingi Tūheitia Pōtatau Te Wherowhero VII**

Takiri tū te mana Motuhake. Mana that gives more and more. E kore te uku te piri ki te rino – Te Atairangikaahu

“Last year in the floods we were flagged down by a young Maori (just down the road from here) who had lost everything but wanted to give us some smoked eel. That's Mana Motuhake.

Kotahitanga, we want to include everybody.”

### **Conclusion**

PPTA Te Wehengarua are now a recognised presence at hui such as these. The amount of people/whānau that are recognising/acknowledging our presence is awesome. “Everywhere I walked for both hui there was always someone acknowledging PPTA Te Wehengarua and giving mihi for our presence.” Daniel Hapuku (Mataroa).

The manaakitanga of Ngāti Kahungunu and Omāhu marae was evident throughout the day. The crowd was that big Kaimahi of PPTA Te Wehengarua didn't all meet up until the Korero had finished and everyone started to pack up and move towards home. We spent time talking about the highlights of the day. It was an awe-inspiring day giving hope to tāngata Whenua and tāngata tiriti that together in Kotahitanga all adversity will be overcome.





**1<sup>st</sup> June 2024**

The opening of the new kura: Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Te Wānanga Whare Tapere o Takitimu.

Te Aomihia, Daniel and I, on a freezing 4 o'clock in the morning, attended the opening of a new Kura Kaupapa just on the outskirts of Heretaunga, down the road from Waipatu marae. Flags and solar lights surrounded the front and side of the kura, adding an extra touch to the occasion. We waited for haeata (dawn) before karakia and the procession onto the kura began. The beauty of the kura and the Kaupapa Māori that had gone into the construction of the building was evident on every part of the kura, from the Māori motifs, whaikairo to the awa at the centre of the school.

Kath Hawaikirangi (Te Huarahi Māori Motuhake) is the proud deputy principal of this stunning kura as are the whānau whose names are carved above the pou on the walls of the kura. Ownership and pride invested in hau kainga of the kura.

