

# TE KĀHUI CHARTER REVIEW - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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## Q. What is this kaupapa about and why is it important?

**A.** The Te Kāhui Charter review represents a significant and exciting opportunity for all of Taranaki Iwi to reflect on how Te Kāhui and its subsidiaries, are governing and managing your assets. You, as the owner of the asset (currently worth approximately \$92 million), have the opportunity to change the way things are being done or ensure those aspects that are operating effectively are kept. The Charter is the document that sets the standard that you can expect of your governing and management body.

## Q. What is the Te Kāhui o Taranaki Iwi Charter?

**A.** It is the legal document that established Te Kāhui and empowered it to govern and manage the pre and post-settlement assets on behalf of Taranaki Iwi. The Te Kāhui Charter also sets the mandatory rules for how Te Kāhui goes about its business, including:

Administering the assets held collectively for Taranaki Iwi.

- The Te Kāhui Group structure.
- Registration as a Taranaki Iwi beneficial member of the Trust.
- How beneficial members are represented on the Trust.
- How the representatives are chosen.
- What the representatives roles and duties are.
- How Te Kāhui is held accountable for carrying out its roles and duties.

## Q. Why are we having a review?

**A.** A five year review was built into the Charter. It is common practice for governance entities to review the effectiveness of arrangements set out in their Charters and to recommend any alterations. In other words, five years gives reasonable time and experience to see if the Charter and the Te Kāhui structure are working as intended.

The review provides the opportunity for changes and improvements to the Charter to be considered. Providing there is strong support from Taranaki Iwi, amendments to the Charter will be implemented.

### ***Te Kāhui Charter Clause 9.1***

*9.1 After five years from the date of the election of the First Elected Representatives, Te Kāhui o Taranaki Iwi shall undertake a review of this Charter and its operation with a view to reporting to the next Annual General Meeting of Te Kāhui o Taranaki Iwi after the completion of the review on the effectiveness of the arrangements set out in this Charter. Such report shall include recommendations as to the alterations (if any) that shall be made to this Charter.*

## Q. Does the Charter Review affect the subsidiaries, Taranaki Iwi Holding Company, (the economic and investment arm of Te Kāhui o Taranaki), the Te Kāhui o Taranaki Iwi Charitable Trust and Taranaki Iwi Fisheries Ltd?

A. Yes. The Te Kāhui will conduct a review of the subsidiaries as a consequence of the Te Kāhui Charter Review.

## Q. What can the Charter Review process cover?

A. The review process has the capability to cover all aspects of the Charter and its operation, and consider what is working or not working well ("the effectiveness of the arrangements"). Here are a list of things you could consider (but not necessarily be limited to):

- Representation model, including the number of directors and the requirement for representation
- Election procedures and policies
- Day to day running of Te Kāhui o Taranaki Iwi
- Organisational structure including the relationship between Te Kāhui and its subsidiary entities\*
- Provisions relating to members living outside of the rohe
- Membership criteria and procedures
- Running of general meetings
- Provisions and policies in place to manage conflicts of interest
- The current tax structure of Te Kāhui and group entities
- Accountability and transparency
- Communication and engagement with Taranaki Iwi
- Distribution of resources
- The value and place of Taranakitanga within the Te Kāhui Group

## Q. What are some Charter Review Conversation Prompts?

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- What are your areas of most concern or most hope?
- Where do you think Te Kāhui should be prioritising its assets and resources?
- What do you think are the positive things about Te Kāhui?
- What do you think are the negative things about Te Kāhui?
- Is there something Te Kāhui should be doing, that it is not doing?
- Is there something Te Kāhui is doing, that you think it should stop doing?
- What is it you want to see happening at Te Kāhui, that you are not seeing at the moment?
- What is the impact you want Te Kāhui to make?
- What are the results you are looking for Te Kāhui to have?
- Do you have a solution in mind for any issues you have identified?
- Are there other or better things Te Kāhui could be doing with the organisation's time and resources?
- Are you happy with the way Te Kāhui's assets and resources are being directed, distributed and utilised?