



Ngāti Kahungunu
Ki Wairarapa-Tāmaki
Nui ā Rua Trust

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Post Settlement Governance Entity—PSGE

The goal of settlement negotiations is to agree a redress package that settles historical Treaty grievances. However, a legal structure must be in place to enable the Crown to pass on assets and quantum to the claimants - the Crown will not pass the assets to anyone, any other group or entity. Therefore, a critical part of the settlement process is to establish & ratify a Post Settlement Governance Entity (PSGE).

The Crown's criteria for recognising a PSGE are that it:

- Represents all members of NKKWTNAR
- Has transparent decision-making and dispute resolution procedures;
- Be fully accountable to the whole of NKKWTNAR; and
- Provide that the beneficiaries of the settlement and the beneficiaries of the PSGE are identical when the settlement assets transfer to the PSGE.

NKKWTNAR's proposed PSGE structuring principals include that the entity be:

- Consistent with tikanga
- Affordable
- Simple
- Representative
- Accountable
- Flexible
- Able to generate income
- Able to return benefits to members

Representatives will be elected to the PSGE from each Hapū Karanga group. These elected representatives will be accountable to all members and act within the PSGE Trust Deed.

Hui are currently being held across Hapū Karanga groups to outline the PSGE process, and to enable registered adult members (18 years of age and over) to engage and participate in the process. Some hui have already been held, though more will be scheduled in due course

An information booklet & voting forms will be posted out to each registered person (18 years & older) and include the option to **a)** post back your response, **b)** secure ballot at ratification hui, or **c)** include an ID number and password to vote via internet.

Ratification hui will be held in Auckland, Hamilton, Mangakino, Dannevirke, Christchurch, Wellington, Hastings & Masterton.



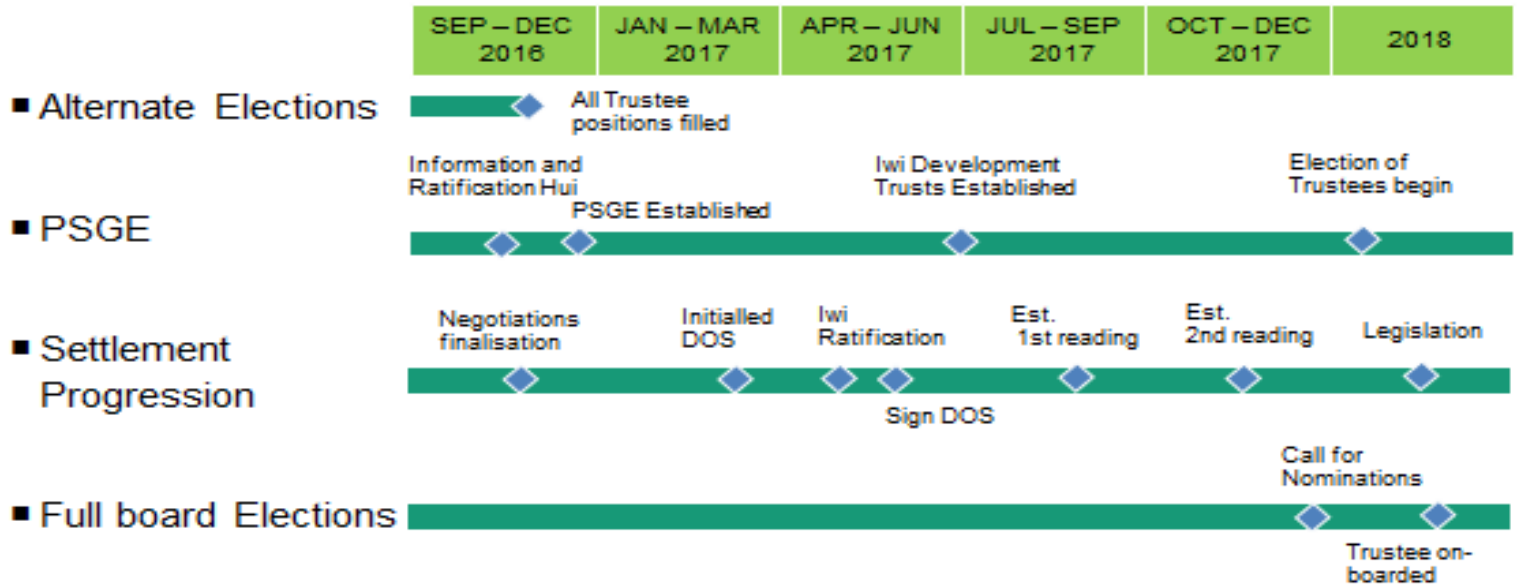
It is important that your contact details are correct to enable you to have your say in this part of the process. If your details – or details of anyone you know – need to be updated, please contact the office.

Whāia te iti kahurangi ki te tūohu koe me he maunga teitei

Seek the treasure you value most dearly: if you bow your head, let it be to a lofty mountain

(This whakatauki is about aiming high or for what is truly valuable, but its real message is to be persistent and don't let obstacles stop you from reaching your goal.)

Indicative Timeline *



* Timeline is subject to Iwi ratification, Crown review, Ministerial approval, and finalisation of settlement milestones.

Trustee profile: Maria Edwards

Ko Ruahine te maunga, Ko Manawatu te awa
Ko Takitimu te waka, Ko Ngati Kahungunu te iwi
Ko Ngati Pakapaka te hapu, Ko Kaitoke te whare
Ko Maria Edwards taku ingoa



I was born in Dannevirke and lived at Kaitoke Pa which is on the way to Herbertville and Akitio. My life at Kaitoke was centred around whanau and the Kaitoke Memorial Hall which was built in memory of our people who served our country in war. We eventually moved to town due to the Government of the time relocating many of our people into nearby urban areas. Despite this, our connection to Kaitoke remained strong. Many of our celebrations have been held there over the years, tangihanga, birthdays, weddings, fundraisers and many family gatherings. I moved to Wellington in the 70's where I married, had my children and worked at New Zealand post. After thirty years away, I moved back home in 2006.

I grew up and lived under the mana of Ngati Kahungunu and iwi issues were non-existent then. Issues in Tamaki Nui A Rua between iwi did not surface until the late 80's. Up to then, we all existed happily together, supporting each other in whatever was good for the people. Upon my return home, I was drawn to support my iwi, Ngati Kahungunu ki Tamaki Nui A Rua. I have played a substantial role on the Board as a spectator and as an elected member since 2006 and I continue to this day as a marae representative for Kaitoke.

I was elected onto the Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tamaki Nui A Rua Treaty Trust Board as an alternate representative for Tamaki Nui A Rua and have played an active role on this Board since the passing of my brother Richard Maniapoto in 2015. I believe I have the knowledge, the passion and the drive needed to represent my people with integrity and heart as my brother did before me.

Naku iti nei,
Maria Edwards