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Agreement In Principle Ratification Hui

The Agreement in Principle (AIP) ratification hui was held on Saturday 23 April 2016 at the Masterton Town Hall and attended by 188 members of Kahungunu ki Wairarapa and Kahungunu ki Tāmaki Nui-ā-Rua from across the rohe and beyond. At the hui, all those present voted as individuals on the ratification of the AIP by responding to the question:

"Do you accept the proposed AIP package and agree that the Trustees of the NKKWTNAR Trust sign the Agreement in Principle on behalf of NKKWTNAR?"

87% of the attendees voted "YES".



Some of the 188 attendees at the AIP Ratification Hui at Masterton Town Hall on 23 April 2016.



Whanau came from far and wide to vote on the AIP package.

"This package in no way compensates for the full extent of suffering endured by Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui ā Rua. However, it creates the platform we need to set us on our feet and to build Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui ā Rua potential in a way that upholds the mana of our Iwi, our Papakāinga, Marae and Hapū." Ian Perry—Chairman KKWTNR

For further information on the AIP Package, please click on the link below:

http://www.kkwtnr.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/ Agreement-in-Principle-Information-Booklet.pdf

Agreement in Principle

The Agreement in Principle (AIP) is a broad settlement package, which includes:

- A Crown apology
- Over 8,000 hectares of culturally important land returned including the bed of Wairarapa Moana
- The right to over 10,000 hectares of commercial redress land (including 70% of Ngaumu forest)
- \$93 million quantum plus interest from date of AIP and Accumulated Rentals



Ian Perry—Chair of NKKTNR speaking at the Ratification Hui



Our Kuia signing the Agreement in Principal on May 7 2016

Agreement in Principle Signing

The official signing of the AIP document by the Crown, Trustees of Ngati Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tāmaki Nui-ā-Rua, and the people of Kahungunu ki Wairarapa and Kahungunu ki Tāmaki Nui-ā-Rua took place in Dannevirke on the 7th of May 2016. Over 400 people were present on this very significant day, all of who signed the Agreement in Principle in support of the settlement. To see our whanau/whanaunga be a part of this historic day, and smile whilst signing this document left a lasting impression on the Crown.

The Crown party included the Minister of Treaty Settlements, officials from Office of Treaty Settlement, Ministry for the Environment, Historic Places Trust, Department of Conservation, and local body representatives.







(Left to Right): Matai Broughton, Ian Perry & the Hon. Chris Finlayson signing the Agreement In Principal Document on May 7th 2016

In Remembrance

At this point in the process, where we have reached a significant milestone, it is timely to pause and remember those who have passed before us, but whose perseverance helped pave the way on this momentous journey.

We pay our respects not only to our Trustees Pani Himona, Kahu Pene and Richard Maniapoto, but all of our whanaunga who have been a part of this long journey. May they all rest in peace.

We also wish to reflect on the huge volume of work that has been achieved to date, and acknowledge that none of this would have been possible without the hard work and dedication of *all* of our people.



Agreement in Principal Document ready for signing



Tamaki Nui a Rua Whanau Whanui Kapa Haka Group performing during the AIP Signing

