

HAPŪ SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose

Summary of the bi-monthly meeting of the Trust Board for period 1 March – 30 April 2022

Governance: Trust Board

Strategy and Performance

- The strategic performance against KPI of all entities across the organisation are tracking to plan. A 6month strategy report was provided to the Board to highlight areas where we are ahead of performance, and areas of the plan that are still work in progress. We have 8 areas that are a priority and working to address these.
- There are 6 areas where we will be switching our strategy reviews across to Whakatōhea Fisheries Asset Holding Company (WFAHCL) and Pakihi Trading Ltd (PTL) due to the projects being aquaculture lead. A new position has also been created to help manage the fisheries and aquaculture work program and any new investments.

Matarauopō - Whakatōhea Housing Strategy 2021

- Whakatōhea has completed its contract with Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (MHUD) for 3 houses. All of the whānau are now in them and all consents are completed. Just working through the final rent to own, insurance and maintenance arrangements with each of the whānau.
- We are awaiting the outcome of a funding proposal to MHUD and hope to hear from them by the end of the month. We have revised the Whakatōhea housing strategy and updated what we will engage in, and where our focus will be of the six Pou. Our view is that whānau should have a range of options across the housing continuum. We are focused on whānau owning an affordable home either on their whenua, or on general land.
- Signed an MOU with Kainga Ora to build 2 houses in the first year, increasing in the next year under our Māori Trade Training program. This program was launched in April and has 18 rangatahi already enrolled.
- Kainga Ora will be building 40 houses over the next two years which will be made available for those who are entered on the Ministry of Social development (WINZ) registry. We will be supporting whānau to get into one of these homes.
- We are working on identifying a supplier to build homes as the demand is high. The suppliers we want to have a relationship with must be able to provide off site manufacturing capabilities, ie built and transported to Ōpōtiki.
- We are looking to partner with Habitat for Humanity to provide an education program that helps whānau understand and get into owning a home. This will be starting in mid May/June 2022.

Compliance

Financial Report – 8 months 1 July 2021 – 31 March 2022

- **Total Revenue projections** from last year are down by \$1.8mil. This is because we are yet to see stock sales income from the dairy farm come in which is generally undertaken throughout the year, prior to Christmas, or when the price is right and grass or space is an issue. We are also yet to see dividends from our two other associate farms and kiwifruit. Good returns from dairy will see the end of the year with a proposed surplus.
- **Total Expenditure** budget against actuals is 11.5% above budget. Majority of the expenditure relates to the dairy farm. Budget overruns will need to be considered in the next budgets, understandable in the context of costs increases for feed, fertiliser, cartage, water supply, tracks and races and harvesting. We have also seen an increase in building repairs and maintenance and unbudgeted areas such as MHUD housing projects which has taken up a majority of the above budget spend.
- **Overall**, as per the financial report, Trust board position is looking good. Areas for improvement around our budget to actuals, and current asset position could be stronger. Budgets are also underway with all managers for the 2022-2023 year.

Quality management

- Has oversight of policy and audits. High on the list for approvals are the policies around the COVID Health and Safety plan. Within this are the general rules regarding COVID activities, along with identifying what we do with vulnerable staff, vaccinated and unvaccinated. Risk assessments for returning staff and contractors are included along with site identification and management processes across the organisation and building areas.
- This month, ISO accreditation audits for Te Pou Oranga were undertaken, and no non-conformances were identified. Certification has been approved.

COVID 19

- We continue to manage the COVID requirements of mask wearing, isolation, RAT testing prior coming to work, hand washing. All policies for COVID are being followed, and a risk assessment has been completed by all staff.
- For those who were working in the Manaaki triage space, I congratulate them for their support. The education group received the funding through Te Pou Oranga o Whakatōhea in October 2021 from Ministry of Social Development, Ministry of Health and the District Health Board. This amounted to \$86,000 which was used to support whānau in hardship, provide petrol to get to work, kai and hygiene packs. This funded 2,665 people within the Ōpōtiki district.

Policy changes

Three water's reforms

- In August 2020, the government undertook a review of the Havelock north drinking water following the contamination and death of many people. Since then, it has been undertaking a blanket approach to a reform where they want water standards, stormwater and wastewater services. In this review they also identified several issues including infrastructure deficits, inability for local council to meet future costs, rising safety and environmental concerns and a so call desire to meet Iwi and Māori aspirations. With little consultation they are in the process of implementing the 3 waters reform which has been pushed through parliament quickly.
- The effect of this reform on smaller communities will impact on the ability of councils to leverage the assets they have accumulated from their communities on any new program they wish to implement. This will also affect marae, and hapū who will have to become water managers if there are more than 4 whānau living off one water supply. There will be costs of managing these systems, or purchasing a system, and to monitor the system. Whānau will also be required to come up to water quality standards, such as purchasing ultraviolet systems to their homes at their cost.

Harbour update

- The project is on task to achieve an opening by 2024. There are some issues around access and the committee is currently monitoring the entry to Snell's road intersection. Coming off State highway 35 is posing a risk due to the number of trucks carrying rock and the number of speeding vehicles.
- The MACA appeal has been highlighted as an issue for the harbour work program. ODC and Crown engaged in current matter before the High Court where hapū seeking recognition of wahi tapu areas that include some of the harbour works – latest area is on foreshore west of and adjacent to river closure dune. Potential impact on harbour consents. Costs to ODC could be significant and they are looking at how these costs could be mitigated.
- Discussions underway with ODC on the laydown area for the boat ramp and HEB have agreed to site their dredging access at the preferred location for the permanent boat ramp.
- A series of meetings have been held with Whakatōhea and kaumatua regarding the cultural stories and designs to be included in walls ends. The last discussion saw the platform that was once in the library now located to the Trust Board, board room.



Ōpōtiki Marina and Industrial Precinct

- Tim Ferguson, planner for the OMIP has been working hard to complete the resource consent and lodged this with Regional Council for consideration. He has had feedback from BOPRC, requesting more information on consultation with Māori, Iwi and hapū along with whether they had adequately identified and addressed cultural effects.
- Consultation was initiated in 2016, however the main engagement process commenced in late 2020. Once the concept plans for the development had been prepared and draft assessments and supporting technical information provided Tim Ferguson, Chris and Ian Petersen initiated consultation with hapū.
- To assist the project even further, they are proposing to establish a Kaitiaki Liaison Group which was a suggestion made at one of the consultation hui.

Te Pou Oranga o Whakatōhea – Iwi Development

Taku hikoi

- To date, Danny and Hōhepa has liaising with ODC Ana Kurei to deliver the Taku Hikoi app, aligned with the Ōpōtiki District Council's Heritage Trail project. They have utilised the opportunity to gather two pūrākau from each of the six hapū, which will be the key elements of the Heritage Trail.
- Troy Webb under the Education manager has begun carving two pou from each of the six hapū in alignment with this Kaupapa. The Heritage Trail and Taku Hikoi app will be launched during Matariki celebrations 2022.

Kaimahi for nature

- The kaimahi for nature team have been working well with their projects over the past few months. This has included the following:
 - Whakaumu Track restoration (Waiaua)
 - Manganuku Possum trapping (Waioweka)
 - Manganuku Track Clearing (Waioweka)
 - Tirohanga Dunes pest control
 - Whakatōhea Mussels wetlands project

- As a highlight for the team their possum trapping in the Manganuku area has resulted in about 630 possums being culled over a three week period. Those traps have now been closed, however they have made a significant dent in the possum population.

New Manager for social and health:

- Louisa has spent the last 8 weeks inducting new manager – Hemi Williams is settling in and the team is productive and working well in their mahi tahi approach to service delivery.
- Key activities have included addressing vacant roles, internal staff movements to fill gaps, tidying up remuneration for staff in roles additional to their key role and fit out of the building to make it more fit for purpose and understanding all the contracts.

Health Centre

Vaccinating team:

- 4 Vaccinators (registered nurses)
- 4 Health Care Assistants
- 1Fte Covid response coordinator (registered nurse)
- At the time of writing, these were the numbers of vaccinations our team had done

Opotiki District ALL population				
Territorial authority	# doses administered	Population	%	# doses required
Opotiki	7,367	8,210	89.7%	843
	7,064	8,210	86.0%	1,146
	4,099	8,210	49.9%	
	290	977	29.7%	687
	60	977	6.1%	917

Opotiki District Maori population					
Dose number	Territorial authority	# doses administered	Population	%	# doses required
12+ Dose 1	Opotiki	4,248	5,000	85.0%	752
12+ Dose 2		3,999	5,000	80.0%	1,001
18+ Booster/Additional		1,995	5,000	39.9%	
Paediatric Dose 1		226	852	26.5%	626
Paediatric Dose 2		46	852	5.4%	806

Education report summary

Both managers from Iwi Development and Education are working closely together on projects such as:

- Te reo strategy
- Curriculum development into kura and the
- Development of the Maurua strategy

Hōhepa has been instrumental in driving the ringa raupa program and the initiation of the setup of the contract, funding and organisation of the team. Both Hohepa and Renee provided outstanding support to the launch and the students on the program.

MOE TAP1 Application:

- MOE engaged with the Education group manager proposing that we look at upgrading and expanding our existing site at Te Puna o Tarawa to allow our licensing numbers to increase to accommodate the growing need for current and future enrolments.
- A proposal is currently being drafted to support a TAP1 application to The Ministry of Education where Te Pou Oranga can address the current demand for early childhood education. We anticipate that an indication from the ministry will be available within the next 2 months.

Toi Whakairo – Whānau Engagement programme:

- A new proposal has been submitted to The Ministry of Education to further support the Toi Whakairo programme that assists whānau who have become dis-engaged in education to re-engage through a mātauranga Māori approach focused on wānanga ā whānau concept. The initial contract was for 6 months however we are now applying for funding for 2 more years based on MOE recommendations.

Mahi Taiao

- All learners are encouraged to be active participants in kaupapa taiao which is being promoted within the iwi. EOTC have arranged to enable our whānau to go hiking, fishing, swimming and food gathering. Working towards a more sustainable future we are now implementing Maara kai to all our programmes where a maara kai is to be established on each site where students maintain, cultivate and harvest kai encouraging them to create these spaces at home.

Whakatōhea Dairy Farm

- Milk production target of 292,000 kgMS was set for the August 2021/2022 year. Currently tracking 8% behind target or 14,000kgMS down on last year. Revised target now 278,000. This is mainly due to the amount of milk being taken out of the vat, along with inclement weather, torrential rain, and dropping soil temperatures. This target has also been impacted by food supplies during the COVID lockdowns and rising costs. Negotiations with feed are faring well, with stock on hand, however, again, inflationary costs, and rising transport are going to be a headache heading into the new year.
- Pasture management is good, no environmental concerns only that the team are preparing to plant the rivers. No OSH issues.
- On a positive note, this is offset by a better predicted milk price of \$9.50 kgMS.

Kiwifruit Orchard

- The picking season has started with Tarata Gold. This was completed on the 28 march with 5,889 trays being picked. Per hectare this equates to 7,270 trays. Down on tray numbers due to the wind events in the back crop. On a positive note, the orchard has achieved a \$2.52 per tray for kiwistart which will help the result.
- Te Maara Gold was cleared as well with a good tzg (sweetness) of .80, the best this orchard has achieved. The crop is good in this block due to better shelter than Tarata gold block. Still waiting on the packhouse to let the team know when to pick the gold in Tarata.

Te Waiti Farm

- Production target for this season sits at 116,394 on an effective platform of 145.00ha. Production is ahead by 1% and looking to achieve budgeted target. Feed up for cows which was a decision based on current payout price.
- Somatic cell count is good, so no problems here. Looking to lift cow numbers for the next season. Mating was down on last year's due to the number of empty cows, however, this season in cow rates have improved (60.6% at six weeks). Pasture cover is reasonable, and have plenty of feed on hand. 1 OSH incident. No environmental issues.
- Dividend paid to the three partners of \$7,500.

Waikeke Farm

- Production target this season is 139,143 on 138.3 effective hectares. 385 cows being milked. 0.87% ahead of season to date. Somatic cell count is good down on last year. Good team operating now.
- Excellent mating results 8.12% empty rate and carry over cows in calf at 100%. Heifer in calf rates 9.20% which is disappointing for the team who set a rate of 5.00%. Have 440 cows in calf for the next season.
- Pasture cover dropped due to no rain, but picked up with the rain over the end of Mar/April. Feed program going well.
- No OSH issues, no environmental issues.

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