

National Iwi Chairs Forum

Programme and Information Pack for Crown

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10am, 5th August 2022

Uepohatu Marae, Ruatorea



Programme with Crown

1. Mihi Whakatau
 2. Iwi Opening Comments – Selwyn Parata
 3. 2 Priority Issues (sent 29 July 2022)
 1. RM Reforms & Freshwater Update – Tina Porou
 2. Pou Tikanga – 5 Questions Sent to Ministers.
 4. Opening Crown Comments – Hon Kelvin Davis
 5. Pou Taiao Response
 6. Pou Tikanga Response
 7. Update on other Pou from Crown
 8. Closing comments from Crown
 9. Closing comments from Iwi
- 12.30pm Lunch



Iwi Opening Comments

1. There are many positive developments in our relationship as Iwi with our Crown Tiriti Partner.
2. The Iwi Housing Prototype programme; the confirmed Ka Noa funding for Whenua Maori Initiatives; the 3 Iwi Projects for the 2023 CENSUS and the relationship between Pou Chairs/Lead ILG Chairs and Ministers – including the meeting last month with the Minister of Finance to discuss Maori Access to Capital are some of these positive developments. There are more.
3. In any partnership there will be challenging times. The Statement of Engagement has guided us in those challenging times.



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Minister Davis letter confirming current mutual priorities

Hon Kelvin Davis

MP for Te Tai Tokerau

Minister for Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti

Minister for Children

Minister of Corrections

Associate Minister of Education (Māori Education)

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We are reminded of the intent of our Statement of Engagement as outlined by Minister Davis last March 2021



National Iwi Chairs Forum – Crown Statement of Engagement

The Statement of Engagement has been key to renewing our relationship. Its guiding principles will continue to inform how we work together, particularly:

- engaging with the NICF as Tiriti partners;
- working at a Rangatira to Rangatira level; and
- identifying mutual areas of interest where we can work together in partnership.

The Statement of Engagement is considered a way of working in partnership and provides the foundation for working together to progress shared priority areas.



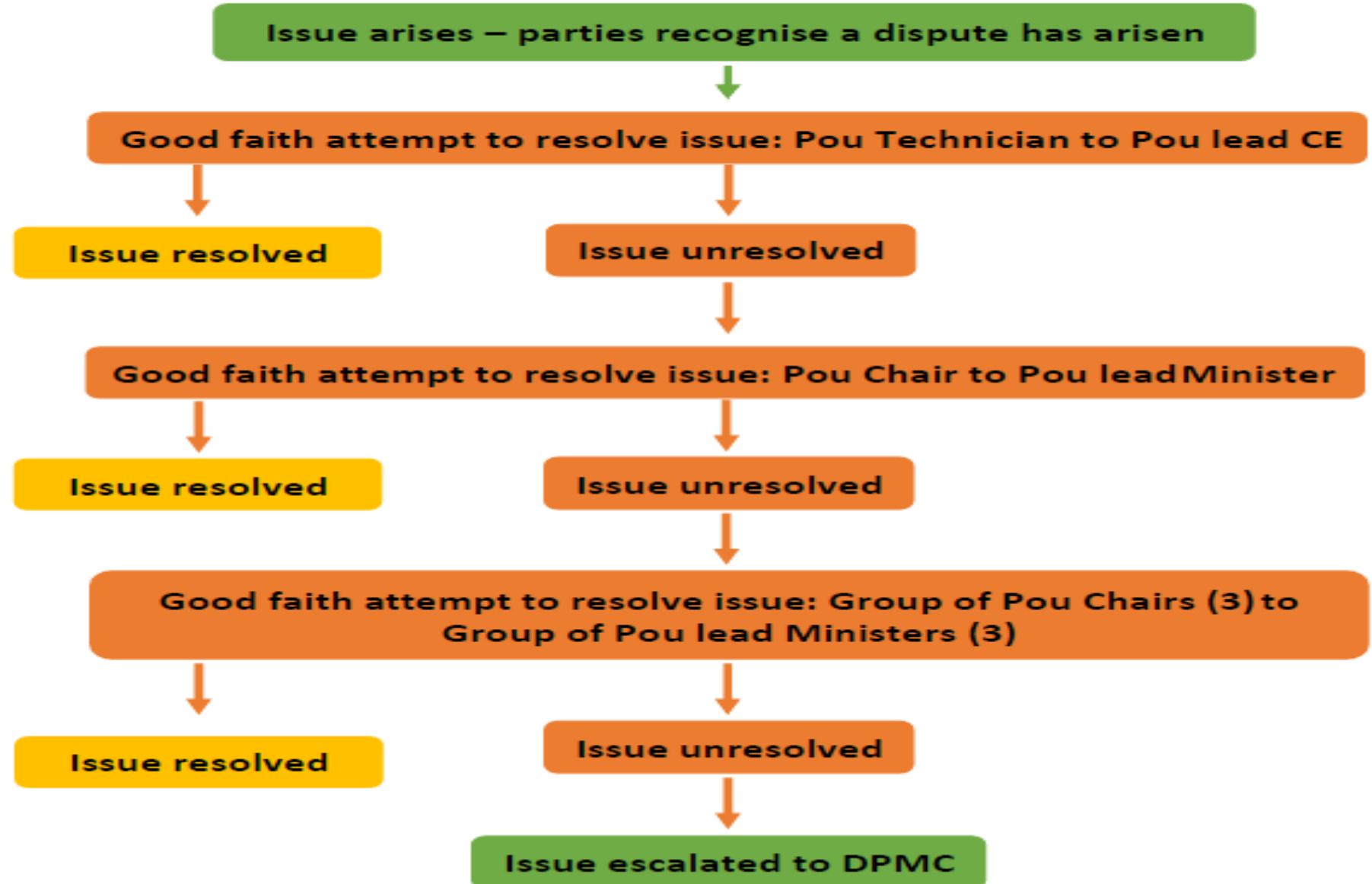
Iwi Opening Comments

1. If there are any concerns at an ILG level, then it is hoped that those concerns can be addressed at an ILG level by the ILG Chair and the responsible Minister.
2. With regard to matters where Iwi and our Crown Partner can stand together, it is clear that in areas like Iwi Housing Prototypes and our Heads of Agreement/Kawenata to the World Expo to the CENSUS 2023 we have examples where we have or are standing together.
3. Where we do not have agreement, we need to first work through the dispute process for the Statement of Engagement.



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PROCESS FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION



Priority Issues

Circulated on 29 July 2022:

- (1) Pou Taiao – RM Reforms & Freshwater: Tina Porou
- (2) Pou Tikanga - Dr Margret Mutu/Bill Hamilton.



Updated RM Reform and Freshwater Resolution



The National Iwi Chairs Forum:

- a. Endorse the need for Minister Parker and the Prime Minister, in accordance with the Statement of Engagement, to provide (as per the Pou Taiao questions):
 - i. total commitment regarding a process to uphold Te Tiriti settlements and those who have yet to settle, and the preservation clause; and
 - ii. agreement to the NCIF proposed process regarding catchment allocation plans and a joint rights and interests working party.
- b. Endorse the continued involvement of the ILG in the Tribunal's urgent inquiry regarding the appointment of planning committees.
- c. If commitments are not forthcoming or adequate from the Crown by the 7th of September, we support collective iwi legal action as to the rights and interests of iwi/hapū and the Crown's obligations to iwi/hapū under both Te Tiriti, existing Te Tiriti settlements and the common law will be undertaken.

Pou Tikanga (Questions to All Ministers)

1. What strategies has government developed to ensure that the Tiriti and human rights of whānau, hapū and iwi are protected from attacks by politicians preparing for the 2023 the election?
2. Do you still support a Tiriti-based partnership approach in the development and implementation of legislation, policy and programmes that impact on us?
3. Do you support our right of self-determination, that is, our right to strengthen and enhance our tino rangatiratanga and mana motuhake for whanau, hapu, iwi and Māori organisations?
4. Are you still committed to enabling us to use our own solutions to change the discrimination we face in education, health, justice, wellbeing, development and in the economy?
5. How can we support you?



Pou Report Back

The NICF Pack Containing the Information that is the basis for the following recommendations was circulated on 27 July 2022.



Pou Take Āhuarangi

The NCIF secure Crown investment for nationwide iwi, hapu and whanau water security systems to build climate resistant communities.



Pou Tangata

The National Iwi Chairs Forum:

1. **NOTE AND ENDORSE** the Justice ILG work regarding the Oranga Tamariki Amendment Bills and supporting documents:
 - a) The Family Court – Delivering transformational change that recognises Te Ao Māori and Partnership; and
 - b) The Family Court – Delivering transformational change that recognises Te Ao Māori and Partnership: Further analysis of the options for change.
2. **NOTE AND ENDORSE** Kahurangi Dame Naida Glavish discussions on the development of a code of best practice/implementing a national standard re Whānau Access to and Management of Tūpapaku (point 16) .



Economic Pou Tahua

The National Iwi Chairs
Forum support the
establishment of an Iwi Chairs
Crown Economic Taumata

The Emission Trading Scheme

(New Issue Not in NICF Pack – 27/07/22)

- i. The NICF rejects any proposal from the Crown that intends to exclude exotic forestry from the ETS.
- ii. The NICF will continue to ensure that iwi, hapu including Maori landowners will be resourced including compensation for any future ETS changes.
- iii. The NICF requires resourcing from the Crown that enables the forum to address and respond to the issues of inequity created by the ETS proposal.
- iv. The Crown must provide resourcing to undertake a Maori emissions profile to inform hapu and iwi on future climate decisions.

Māori Access to Capital:

- i. Endorse the Māori Access to Capital Report as presented to the Minister of Finance, the Associate Minister of Finance and the Hon Meka Whaitiri (Ikaroa Rawhiti & Minister of Customs etc.) on 11 July 2022.
- ii. Endorse the implementation of the recommendations of the Report including a \$250m per annum (10 years) Fund.
- iii. Endorse that the associate Minister of Finance be given the responsibility for overseeing the implementation of any agreed Māori Access to Capital policy.

Whenua Tini – Investing in the Land and/or Building Infrastructure:

The National Iwi Chairs Forum agrees that the approach of Te Puni Kōkiri with the Māori land blocks needs to be extended in rural regions where there is a high percentage of Māori Land and Māori populations to build economic resilience through growing kai and establishing sound food distribution processes.

Housing Prototypes:

The National Iwi Chairs Forum:

- i. Endorses Te Tai Tokerau (Te Pouahi) as an Iwi prototype under Whai Kāinga Whai Oranga.
- ii. Notes and acknowledges the Chair for Te Pouahi o Te Tai Tokerau is Pita Tipene.
- iii. Supports the Pou Tahua to negotiate and confirm funding for 2024 & 2025 out-years (of the \$730m Whai Kainga Whai Oranga) for existing Iwi prototypes (as per initial agreement for 3-5 years funding);
- iv. Support the development of 20 papakainga with up to 20 houses each for a total budget of \$280m across the motu where there is high housing need on the basis that each applicant:
 - a. *Has the legal access to land, confirmed whānau in need of housing and a confirmed housing supplier/developer by the National Iwi Chairs Forum in November 2022; and*
 - b. *Has a social development plan to ensure that the whānau who live as a part of the papakainga have the opportunity to flourish as affordable renters or home owners.*

Plant Variety Rights Regulation / Kiwifruit:

The National Iwi Chairs Forum:

- i. Supports the finalisation of the Plant Variety Rights (PVR) Bill before Parliament to enable access by Māori land owners and Iwi to publicly funded PVR's and breeding programmes for those varieties under development including the ability to access and develop offshore PVR's and breeding programmes.
- ii. Supports that the Pou Tahua works with organisations like Tangata Huawhenua to ensure unfettered access to markets for horticulture and produce to markets in which Iwi/Māori have existing trade relationships with.
- iii. Supports the government to reinforce this approach by ensuring that the regulation, policy settings and programme level funding are in place to transition Māori land owners/Iwi and this is confirmed in Budget 2023 with announcements at the NICF at Waitangi 2023.