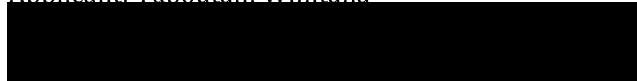


Submission on Resource Consent Application – Pūwhakamua

Submitted by: Tūpoutahi Winitana
Kaitiaki o te tāonga tuku iho

Application Details:
Application for Resource Consent to establish: Pūwhakamua
Applicant: Tūpoutahi Winitana



1. Introduction – Tīhei Mauri Ora!

This is the call of a living breath!
A voice that celebrates the return of Mauri to its rightful sacred foundation.

I fully support the establishment of Pūwhakamua – a behavioural restoration house grounded in the sacredness of tikanga Māori, dual knowledge systems, and the inherent tapu of each individual.

This kaupapa is about renewal, restoration, and empowerment. Pūwhakamua is a place designed to transform Māori male behaviour through teaching, spiritual practices, emotional healing, relational connection, and the natural environment.

2. The Essence of Pūwhakamua – A Sacred Altar! A Human Sanctuary!

Pūwhakamua is a kaupapa Māori model of behavioural restoration based entirely in tikanga Māori. It involves:

- Karakia – to open the mind and free the tongue for sacred intent and clarity of thought.
- Waiata – to release emotions and strengthen the heart (Whatumanawa).
- Haka – to discipline and align the body, grounding presence and intention.
- Mau Rākau – to instill mana, self-discipline, and guardianship in tāne and all Māori.
- Wānanga – to ignite identity, learning, and ancestral connection through sacred education.
- Kaitiakitanga – to restore balance with the environment, acknowledging that the health of the land and waters reflects the health of the people.

Pūwhakamua is not a Western correctional model, it is a Māori healing system – cultural, spiritual, and psychological restoration

3. My Position – Full Support

I support this application with genuine conviction. This initiative provides a true pathway for transformation – not through punishment, but through education, spiritual cleansing, and the restoration of lost mauri.

I support Pūwhakamua for the following key reasons:

- It is a Māori-designed solution for Māori wellbeing.
- It is a proper response to the failures of the mainstream justice system.
- It uplifts rather than diminishes.
- It reconnects individuals to their ancestors, the land, and their sacred nature.

4. Decision Sought

I respectfully request:

- That the Resource Consent for Pūwhakamua be approved.
- That tohunga and kaumātua be appointed as guardians of the spiritual and cultural protocols of the space.
- That the kaupapa operates in accordance with tikanga, mauri tapu, and wairua Māori.
- That Pūwhakamua be supported as a national model for the restoration of Māori men.

5. Closing – The Life Force, the Mana, the Sacredness

Maie! Maiea!

Pūwhakamua is a pillar of wellbeing for those who have fallen enabling them to stand again in their own mana.

It offers;

- spiritual healing
- mental realignment
- physical strengthening
- reconnection to Te Ao Māori.

When the world shines, the person is restored, the wrongs are made right, and peace is found.

Respectfully submitted by:

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