

**Minutes**  
**Ngati Whakaue Gifted Reserves Protocol Committee meeting**  
**held 19 November 2014 at 2pm**



Venue:	Committee Room 2, Rotorua District Council
Chairperson:	Mayor Chadwick
Members present:	Cr Maxwell      Cr Sturt Mr A Wilson      Mr M Short Mr P Kingi      Mr J Aratema
Apologies:	Absent - Cr Donaldson, Mr S Harris and Mr D Tapsell Early departure - Cr T Maxwell
In Attendance:	Peter Faulkner and Murray Patchell, Pukeroa Oruawhata Trustees
Staff present:	G Williams, Chief Executive; Mauriora Kingi, Director Kaupapa Maori; R Pitkethley, Sports & Recreation Manger; G Page, Parks & Recreation Manager; P Lovis, Rotorua Museum Deputy Director; D Cossar, Policy Advisor; R Cray, Landscape Architect; R Burton, Senior Policy Advisor; C Peden, Governance Support Advisor.

**1. WELCOME**

Mayor Chadwick welcomed everyone present, and Mauriora Kingi opened with a karakia.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Resolved

**That the apologies from Mr S Harris, Mr D Tapsell and Cr D Donaldson (for absence) and Cr T Maxwell (for early departure) be accepted.**

Cr Sturt/Mr Wilson  
CARRIED

**3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Resolved

**That the minutes of the meeting held 10 April 2014 be accepted as true and correct, with the following addition:**

- **“Point 4 regarding the return of the Rotorua Thermal Holiday Park to include ‘other pockets of land requiring clarification, as verbally reported”.**

Mr Wilson/Cr Maxwell  
CARRIED

## MATTERS ARISING

- Rob Pitkethley to follow up by sending a letter to the Minister of Conservation regarding the return of the Rotorua Thermal Holiday Park land. Mayor Chadwick apologised that the letter had not been sent. The next stage/s to be clarified and communicated to members.
- Mr P Kingi tabled a discussion paper, addressed to MP Todd McClay 14 April 2014 outlining the history of the gifted reserves and the wish of the Pukeroa Oruawhata (PO) trustees to have the titles of the trusts returned to them, while still retaining the original public purpose of those trusts (Attachment 1).
- Garry Page clarified that it was not an option for Council to give land directly back to Pukeroa Oruawhata. Council would have to hand the land back to the Crown, and then the Crown would have to decide what to do with it.
- Peter Faulkner tabled a letter from Stratum Consultants regarding the proposed land exchange between Pukeroa Properties #2 and Rotorua District Council (Attachment 2).

### Resolved

**That Rob Pitkethley work with Pukeroa Oruawhata to resolve these outstanding issues, to take a case to the Crown.**

Mr Wilson/Mr Short  
CARRIED

## **4. PRESENTATIONS**

### 4.1 Smart Futures – Rebecca Burton

Mayor Chadwick and Ms Burton spoke to a Powerpoint presentation titled 'Our District Vision – Rotorua 2030' (Attachment 3).

A discussion was held on the need for collaboration between various stakeholders to meet future infrastructure needs and the growing Maori economy.

The recently-released District Plan was discussed briefly. The Chief Executive made the following comments:

- Factors such as the impact of zoning changes on transport networks had presented challenges.
- The document had been at least 5 years in the making.

**Action Point:** Peter Faulkner requested an opportunity to meet with Council officers to gain a better understanding of the intent behind some of the decisions made in the District Plan.

**ATTENDANCE:** Cr Maxwell left the meeting at 3.03pm.

## **5. REPORTS**

### 5.1 RECOMMENDATION 1: TE ARAWA SOLDIERS MEMORIAL RESTORATION

Pamela Lovis spoke to a Powerpoint presentation titled 'Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial' (Attachment 4a) and tabled a list of names of Te Arawa men named on the Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial 1927 (Attachment 4b).

There was a discussion about the need to raise 1/3 of the cost before an application could be made to the WW1 Committee. The estimated cost was \$300k for total restoration. Bronze would last significantly longer than wood, but would be more expensive. A potential private/public partnership to undertake this project was discussed. It was generally agreed that a full restoration of the complete original memorial (including Rangitihī) would be preferred. Council would seek funding from trusts and other entities.

Debbie Cossar read out a note from Karl Johnston (Director of NZ Maori Arts & Crafts Institute) regarding the second quote they had provided, for bronze:

“This approach will reinstate the original composition and concept of the Te Arawa Soldiers’ Memorial. It will avoid any major repair and maintenance costs. The bronze cast has an undefined life expectancy, conceptually bringing the historic Pou back to life in a new more sustainable material, reinforces the purpose and the concept...”

**Resolved**

1. That the report ‘Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial Restoration’ be received;
2. That the monument be restored to its original full condition.

Mr Wilson/Cr Sturt  
CARRIED

An application for \$25k to Rotorua Energy Charitable Trust had been submitted. RECT larger funding rounds had closed.

**Action Point:** WWI Committee to report back on progress.

**6. GENERAL BUSINESS**

Mr Patchell asked for clarification on the lease conditions relating to the Marguerita Street Reserve.

**Action Point:** A letter would be sent shortly seeking Pukeroa Oruawhata approval to assign the lease.

ATTENDANCE: Mr Patchell left the meeting at 3.35pm.

**7. REPORTS (CONT.)**

**7.1 RECOMMENDATION 2: CBD GARDENS AND OPEN SPACES IMPROVEMENTS AND ONGOING MANAGEMENT**

Rob Pitkethley spoke to a Powerpoint presentation titled ‘CBD Gardens and Open Space Improvements’ (Attachment 5).

**Resolved**

1. That the report ‘CBD Gardens and Open Spaces improvements and Ongoing Management’ be received.
2. That the Committee acknowledges the measures being put in place to address improving standards in these areas.

Mr Wilson/Cr Sturt  
CARRIED

### 5.3 RECOMMENDATION 3: POTENTIAL COUNCIL DEVELOPMENTS FOR KUIRAU PARK

Rebecca Cray spoke to a Powerpoint presentation titled 'Kuirau Park – Proposed Development' (Attachment 6).  
Other comments:

- It is expected that NZTA will provide some funding for the cycleway/boulevard through Kuirau Park.
- Mayor Chadwick spoke about the proposed development of an Onsen Kitchen, which from Beppu had offered to assist with building.
- Grow Rotorua Ltd is working on a business case for a family fun park development through a public/private partnership. Should know more in 6 months.
- The Saturday morning market in Kuirau Park will continue.
- Preliminary geotech work had been done, but more indepth geotech work will need to be done. Preliminary testing had indicated there were ways to engineer around some areas.
- New proposed cycleway will be incorporated.
- Strong cultural history would be acknowledged.

#### **Resolved**

1. That the report 'Potential Council Developments for Kuirau Park' be received.
2. That the Committee support in principle the overall concept of the potential developments for Kuirau Park.

Mr Wilson/Mr Short  
CARRIED

#### **Action Points:**

- Feedback requested from PO trustees on cultural input for depiction panels.
- Updates would be given at subsequent meetings.

### 8. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 8.1 Bella Tait had raised a request for a cadet to be trained through the Education Endowment Trust and Pukeroa Oruawhata. Andy Bell, Henry Weston and Mauriora Kingi would be the appropriate people at Council to contact.
- 8.2 Concerns were expressed about direction of airport/Air New Zealand in the region. Mayor Chadwick advised that she and Oscar Nathan had visited China Airlines but they were waiting for volumes to increase before they looked at flying directly to Rotorua.
- Mayor Chadwick had raised the idea of introducing an Auckland – Rotorua – Queenstown link at a recent Upper North Island Mayors' meeting. The Airport company, together with the local representatives of Tourism NZ, have now been asked to develop a business plan to present to the Minister of Tourism NZ, Prime Minister Rt Hon John Key.
- 8.3 Mr Kingi invited the Mayor to attend the welcome ceremony for NZ Police Commissioner planned for the following Monday at Tamatekapua.

### 9. CLOSING

The meeting closed at 4.15pm with a karakia by Mauriora Kingi.

*H. M. Pihopa Kingi MNZM, QSO*

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18 April 2014

Hon Todd McClay  
MP for Rotorua

Tena koe Todd and greetings,

### **Ngati Whakaue Township Reserves**

This is a discussion paper on the Ngati Whakaue Township Reserves ("Reserves"), which were set-aside during the establishment of the Rotorua Township in 1880. The purpose of this paper is to provide you with some background information as part of the process to have the Titles of the Reserves returned to Pukeroa Oruawhata Trust on behalf of Ngati Whakaue.

### **Historical Background**

At the time the Rotorua Township was being established, Judge Dart Fenton approached Ngati Whakaue and Te Arawa at Ohinemutu to have the Reserves set aside for the benefit of the people of Rotorua. The request by Judge Fenton was some 40 years after the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi ("Treaty"), of which Te Arawa were non-signatories, and following the Maori land wars in the 1860s.

During this period many other iwi suffered the humiliation and indignation of being dispossessed of their tribal lands, the people of Ngati Whakaue were fully involved in the tourism industry opening their ancestral lands to visitors from home and abroad including the world renown Pink and White Terraces.

Ngati Whakaue refused to sell their lands to the Crown but agreed to a 100-year lease agreement. The lessees were English immigrants settling in New Zealand. Judge Dart Fenton then proposed the notion of land being set aside for reserves to cater for such purposes as health, education, leisure, and municipal purposes. Our ancestors were wise and saw an opportunity to further their tourism operations by including those facilities.

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In 1880 a formal document was signed between the Crown and Ngati Whakaue and Te Arawa and became known as the "Fenton's Agreement" and often referred to as the founding document of the Township of Rotorua. Following on from the Fenton's Agreement was the Thermal District Act 1880, 1882, and 1883.

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### **Post Signing 1880**

Sadly, the exciting picture of Ngati Whakaue becoming landlords didn't eventuate, with the proposed leases turning out to be fictitious and no rent monies were ever received. By 1890 it was clear that the lease option was a failure and Ngati Whakaue had no option but to sell some of their lands.

Worse was still to come with the government agent charged with overseeing the sales and purchase agreements failing to have the lands valued at their market value. A review of the land values were carried out by members of Ngati Whakaue who were angry and disappointed at the amount allotted to each land parcel.

The process of settling the lease agreements continued for decades and in 1948 a Parliamentary Select Committee met with members of Ngati Whakaue to offer a full and final settlement for the Pukeroa Oruawhata Block. Ngati Whakaue was somewhat satisfied that the matter had finally reached its conclusion albeit to the detriment of the initial donors of the land and agreed to the price offered. Mistakenly, Ngati Whakaue realised that the offer was for the Pukeroa Oruawhata Block not just the area of the Township.

When word came from the Government that the sale included the Township Reserves, the anguish and confusion continued for over many generations with Ngati Whakaue believing, and rightfully so, that the Reserves still belonged to them. Each successive government has claimed, wrongfully, that the Reserves belonged to Crown.

### **1988 Rotorua Railway Reserve 13ha**

In 1984, the Labour Government lead by David Lange introduced the Rogernomics policies, which resulted in sweeping economic reforms. By 1987, Geoffrey Palmer became Prime Minister with his policies of corporatization of government agencies. In particular the NZ Railways and the lands on which many its tracks and buildings were situated that were surplus to requirements and not being used. The Rotorua railway yards fell into this category and the government proposed that a shopping mall be erected and named after Ngati Whakaue the original owners of the land.

At this time I was the chairman of the Ngati Whakaue Tribal Land Incorporation and I proposed that the committee seek advice on the government's proposal from Richard Charters, a local Barrister and Solicitor and also of Ngati Whakaue descent. Mr Charters was adamant that the Township Reserves still belonged to Ngati Whakaue as they came under the Reserves Act 1977, where they remain today. These Reserves are sacrosanct to Ngati Whakaue and not even the government can alienate them by way of a purchase. When the National Party became Government the Hon Doug Graham was Minister of Justice and the sitting MP for Tarawera was Max Bradford. Mr Bradford arranged a meeting

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with the Minister on the 19 January 1991 in Wellington to discuss the Reserves. Richard Charters and Don Stafford accompanied the Ngati Whakaue delegation and Richard put the case about the Reserves in question to the Minister that they were inalienable and that Ngati Whakaue have fervently held the belief that they were always in their possession. To this the Hon Doug Graham agreed and the process was put in place to have the Rotorua Railway Reserve handed back to Ngati Whakaue.

We returned home triumphant!

**Turning of the Tide**

As the chairman of the Ngati Whakaue Tribal Lands Inc., I oversaw the returning of the Railway Reserve to the Pukeroa Oruawhata Trust given that those lands fell within the precinct of the Township.

**Work in Progress**

The first step for the Pukeroa Trustees was to form a holdings company to operate and manage the development of the proposed shopping mall. Then to arrange Protocol and Procedure with the Rotorua District Council (RDC) and government agencies controlling the Reserves.

The relationship with RDC has been working well with regular meetings but there has been no feedback from the government regarding the ownership of the Reserves. Because of this Ngati Whakaue can only assume that the government agencies concerned are of the belief that ownership of the Reserves remains vested with the Crown.

**Labour Government under Helen Clarke 2002**

When Helen Clarke became Prime Minister, she appointed Parekura Horomia as Minister for Maori Affairs. I was pleased with this as I had known Parekura for many years so I started talking to him about the return of the Titles and the difficulties Ngati Whakaue was having with the government agencies not wanting to enter into discussion with Pukeroa Oruawhata over the Reserves. Parekura was very sympathetic and said that the Prime Minister must be consulted first. Ngati Whakaue spoke to the PM when on her visit to Ohinemutu for the presentation of the gifts from Queen Elizabeth II to the Haane Manahi whanau by her son Prince Edward.

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The request that was put to her was for the return of the Titles to the Reserves back to Ngati Whakaue, but the original 'public purpose' of the Reserves would remain. The PM was agreeable given that the terms of the 1880 Fenton's Agreement would remain as well.

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Parekura then determined that the process would begin with the Arts And Crafts Institute and the Whakarewarewa Valley. That process has been going on for some time but an agreement is in sight.

#### **Return of Other Reserve Titles**

The long and drawn out saga of the Reserves which were deemed at that time to be gifts of monumental generosity and goodwill not only to the citizens of Rotorua but to the nation as a whole and visitors from abroad.

In summary, Todd, this case history that began in 1880 and set out for your information is vastly different to the Waitangi Tribunal claims that are currently going through the settlement process with iwi around the country.

Because a settlement process was not addressed by Parekura Horomia to deal with the other Reserves in question, Ngati Whakaue is unable to get a final agreement on their status. These Reserves lie under a myriad of government and local body institutions of around 12 organisations.

This paper provides an abbreviated timeline of history of the Ngati Whakaue Township Reserves for you to put to the Prime Minister, John Key. It is important for you to know that our preliminary approaches to certain Heads of Staff have been met with total resistance under the premise that the Reserves are inalienable.

This is why a coordinated approach should be carried out to ensure the Reserves are handed back to Ngati Whakaue and not merged and assimilated in to the national hierarchy along with the many other Reserve lands.

#### **Closing**

It is my wish that you will read this paper while I am there with you in order to answer any questions that you may have before you think carefully about its contents. There after I would hope that you will find time to meet with Malcolm Short and the other Trustees as well as our administrators.

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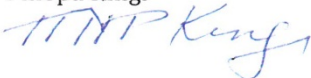
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The Mayor, Steve Chadwick

Leith Comer, former CEO Te Puni Kokiri, Ngati Whakaue Taumata Trust  
Te Ururoa Flavell, MP Waiariki.

Arohanui,

Pihopa Kingi



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## **Appendices**

### **Appendix 1.**

Set out below are two examples of the attitude of the Crown still treating the Ngati Whakaue Reserves as their own:

1. When the Minister of Justice agreed to the return of the Railway Reserve to Ngati Whakaue he learnt that it had been sold to another government agency. He then had to repeal the sale before handing the land back to Ngati Whakaue.
2. When the Rotorua Aerodrome consisting around 5ha became too small, it was shifted to its present site at Te Ngae and the land that was left vacant was named after Judge Fenton and former Mayor Murray Linton instead of being handed back to Ngati Whakaue.

It is interesting to note that when the Railway Reserve was handed back, the RDC set up Protocols and Procedures to with the Pukeroa Oruawhata Trustees, which is going well.

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16<sup>th</sup> November 2014

Pukeroa Properties (No.2) Ltd  
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ROTORUA 3045

Attention: Peter Faulkner



Dear Peter

**FORMER RAILWAY LANDS PROPOSED LAND EXCHANGE – PUKEROA PROPERTIES (NO.2) LTD, AMOHAU STREET, ROTORUA**

As requested by Malcolm Short on the 17<sup>th</sup> November 2014, we provide updated background information to assist with a possible land exchange with the Rotorua District Council.

The proposed land exchange will result in Pukeroa Properties (No.2) Ltd owning all land west of the former Victoria Street Arterial designation, with Rotorua District Council owning all land east of the former Victoria Street Arterial designation. This is considered a rational utilisation of the existing land resource.

The Pukeroa owned land subject to the proposed land exchange is as follows:

Legal Des.	Comment	Zoning	CT Ref.	Area
Sec 1 SO 319662	Former railway reserve	Commercial G & Recreation Reserve (underlying Reserve A)	220629	1.2046 ha
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Legal Des.	Comment	Zoning	CT Ref.	Area
Lot 1 DPS 44223 (RDC)	Landscape strips	Plantation Reserve (underlying Reserve A)	SA38B//284	0.0257 ha
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Lot 3 DPS 44223 (RDC)	Landscape strips	Plantation Reserve (underlying Reserve A)	SA38B//286	0.1027 ha
Pt Rotorua Town Belt (Crown)	Pererika Street reserve	Recreation Reserve (underlying Reserve A)	NZ Gazette: NZGZ 1928 p11	1.8909 ha
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This equates to Pukeroa possibly obtaining 9,493m<sup>2</sup> of land in an exchange with the Rotorua District Council.

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*Enclosed* is a plan showing the configurations of these land holdings. We also *enclose* a copy of all the relevant Certificates of Titles (and Gazette Notice) for these land parcels.

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Please contact the writer if you have any queries.

Yours faithfully  
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Enc: Land Swap Plan (189267-R-P-D003-01A)  
Relevant Certificates of Titles





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**Our district vision**  
**ROTORUA 2030** tātau tātau  
we together



This is our home.  
We are its people.  
We're connected to each other through our culture and communities.  
We're innovative and we share what we learn.  
We're driving opportunity, enterprise and diversity.  
We're supporting a legacy of sustainability for our environment.  
Rotorua is a place for everyone.  
Tātau tātau - We together

**Creating a positive future together**

A vision for Rotorua  
A new direction



A new way of working with our community

**Rotorua 2030 Goals** TĀTAU TĀTAU - WE TOGETHER

1. A resilient community...  
*He hāpori pūmanawa...*
2. Homes that match needs...  
*Kāinga noho kainga haumarū...*
3. Outstanding places to play...  
*Papa whakatipu...*
4. Vibrant city heart...  
*Waahi pūmanawa...*
5. Business innovation and prosperity...  
*Whakawhanake pākihi ...*
6. Employment choices...  
*He huarahi hōu...*
7. Enhanced environment...  
*Tiakina to taiao...*



What we will achieve together first

**Priorities 2016**

ROTORUA 2030 TĀTAU TĀTAU - WE TOGETHER



## 2016 Priorities WHAT WE'LL ACHIEVE TOGETHER FIRST

1. Develop a vibrant city heart that brings people and activity to the inner city
2. Develop our economic base by growing existing, and attracting new, businesses to our region
3. Support residential renewal and the creation of healthy homes
4. Sustainable infrastructure and affordable, effective council services

## Our Commitment

COUNCIL IS COMMITTED TO DOING ITS PART

- Engaging with Te Arawa Hapu and Iwi, Maori and communities to develop a unified vision for Rotorua
- Supporting community leadership of our new strategies
- Developing a new partnership model with Te Arawa
- Working innovatively, outside traditional delivery mechanisms, to drive more cost effective and more efficient services
- Ensuring all our work programmes align with the district's ambitions
- Reshaping our council to be more effective and responsive.

ROTORUA 2030 TATAU TATAU - WE TOGETHER

## Our Portfolios



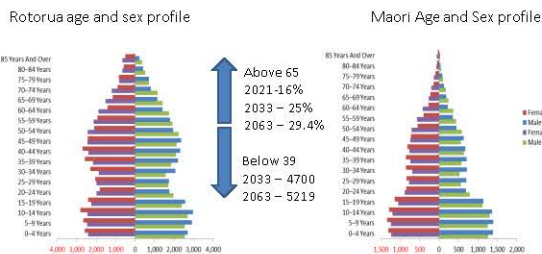
## Overview

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- What do we know so far?
- What are we planning to do?
- How can we do this together?





## How SmartFutures can help CURRENT/ FUTURE PEOPLE TRENDS

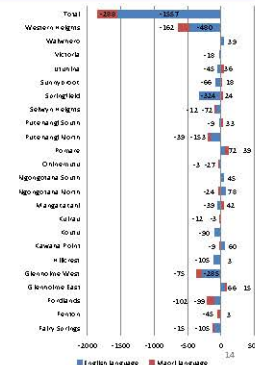
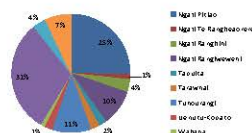


As more people retire we will need highly skilled people to fill employment gaps

## How SmartFutures can help CURRENT/ FUTURE PEOPLE TRENDS

- Te Reo Maori is the next common language spoken after English
- Te Reo is spoken by 11.6% of the total population; and 29% of Maori

Te Arawa speakers of Te Reo Maori - 2013 Census



## How SmartFutures can help CURRENT/ FUTURE PEOPLE TRENDS

### Land use Patterns

- Limited need for land use change – current land zones enough to support increase in population
- Aspirations for development within the Awahou & Tarimano Marae
  - Ngati Rangiwewehi Iwi Management Plan



## How SmartFutures can help CURRENT/ FUTURE PEOPLE TRENDS

### Eastern Land use Patterns

- Conflicts in land use activities
- Demand for Growth within Eastern area.
- Growth beyond this is to be serviced through the following options;
  - Expansion of Lynmore
  - Medium density development at Whareniui Road
  - Rural residential development at Gee Road, Tarawera Road, Rotokawa/Cookson road area
  - An extension to the Rural B/Rural 2 zone out towards Brunswick and Te Paea.



## How SmartFutures can help

CURRENT/FUTURE  
 PEOPLE TRENDS

### Standard of living

- Half the Rotorua population live in areas considered to have safe, healthy, warm homes and neighbourhoods

### Education

- Between 2006 and 2013- an increase in NCEA levels 1-6 and in tertiary qualifications for young Maori



## How SmartFutures can help

CURRENT/FUTURE  
 BUSINESS TRENDS

### Employment and income

- Increase in median household income (1.2%p.a)
- Unemployment has increased from 2006
- Predicted increase in jobs available from retirees – need an educated workforce



## How SmartFutures can help

### Economic Growth

- Growth in GDP from key industries
- Up to 10,000 tourists per day
- Predicted increase tourism and in employment opportunities out to 2022
- Potential labour shortage from aging population and migration



## How SmartFutures can help

CURRENT/FUTURE  
 BUSINESS TRENDS

### Economic – Land use patterns

- Supports a range of tourism ventures and industry
- Land zoning is sufficient to cater for expected growth in urban suburbs
- Future Development aspirations by Ngati Rangiwewehi;
  - Hamurana Springs
  - Environmental Monitoring and enhancement
  - Eco tourism
  - Cultural, educational and commercial activities



## How SmartFutures can help

### CURRENT/FUTURE ENVIRONMENT TRENDS

#### Waterbodies

- Lake water quality is a significant issue for Rotorua
- Reduction of 320tN/year

#### Three waters

- Existing capacity is enough to service current population
- Whakarewarewa disposal ending 2019, alternative methods of disposal are discussed with Iwi



## How SmartFutures can help

### CURRENT/FUTURE INFRASTRUCTURE TRENDS

#### Airport

- Has a role in the regional economy and Rotorua's tourism industry
- Ability exists to further increase the airport's role in the economy of the district and region
- Retirement of Beech aircrafts – provide new opportunities for Rotorua



## How SmartFutures can help

### CURRENT/FUTURE INFRASTRUCTURE TRENDS

#### Transport

- Key Links for Freight and Tourism
- Levels of service in areas are expected to decrease
- Current infrastructure in this areas may not support the level of commercial and residential demand and inter-regional traffic



## What we are planning to do...

- Meet with Hapu and Iwi at marae cluster hui between October and December 2014
- Engage with Land Trusts and Iwi Entities and the Rotorua community through different hui over the next few months



## We value your feedback

- Share information with us to help fill the gaps
- Tell us about future developments and aspirations for your hapu and the organisations you belong to
- Tell us about challenges your hapu faces in the future
- Help us prioritise actions for a better Rotorua



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## This is the only the beginning...

- We wish to have ongoing engagement with yourselves and other Te Arawa Hapu and Iwi
- What ideas do you have about how we can engage with you?
- Please encourage your whanau to attend & participate in up and coming hui. Thank you!



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## Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial

Rotorua District WW100 Commemorations Committee



Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial, c 1950s photograph by Eric Hilli  
Rotorua Museum collection 2008.1573



## Rotorua District WW100 Commemorations



Possibly post Anzac Day, late 1920s  
Rotorua Museum collection CP-4353

- Centenary of New Zealand's participation in the First World War will be marked from 2014-2019 through commemorative events, projects and activities in all parts of the country
- Role of Rotorua District WW100 Commemorations Committee is to plan and coordinate projects and events in the Rotorua District
- Committee Chaired by Mayor Steve Chadwick, includes representatives from the RSA, Rotorua District Council, Rotorua Museum, Rotorua Library, Ngati Whakaue Education Endowment Trust, 28th Maori Battalion B Company Committee, RBHS and local media



Detlef Klein, Manawatu Museum Services, 2008

## Rotorua District WW100 Projects

### Current and proposed...

- 'Great War Stories' Rotorua Museum exhibition: July – November 2014
- Sulphur Lake Memorial Bridge: opened 5 August 2014
- "My WW1 Hero" childrens research competition: January-March 2015
- Field of Remembrance: ANZAC Day 2015
- Proposed Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial Project

## Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial

### Background...

- Erected by Te Arawa in Government Gardens to commemorate Te Arawa men who fought and died in WWI
- 35 Te Arawa men named on the memorial, four more are listed in the 1927 Souvenir Programme
- Memorial unveiled 28 February 1927 by HRH The Duke of York, later King George VI, during a Royal Visit to NZ
- Memorial portrays key events in the history of Te Arawa and interactions of Te Arawa with pakeha during World War One



### Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial



Te Arawa men remembered...

- A.P. Kaipara 2nd Lt.
- Alfred Pinker Pte.
- Albert P. Anaru Pte
- Charles Hall Pte.
- Charles Savage Sgt.
- Dick Happy Pte.
- George R. Rewa L/Cpl
- Hami Grace Lt.
- Hohepa Herewini Pte.
- Horomona Kanapu Pte.
- Hohepa Marino Pte.
- Hoani Ngamu Pte.
- Hone T. Raponi Cpl.

### Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial



Te Arawa men remembered

- Kapu Haira Pte.
- Kauwhata Gordon Sgt.
- Matene R. Duff Sgt.
- Manu Tuki Pte.
- Nikora Te Tuhi Pte.
- Pona Marunui Pte.
- P. Tamati L/Cpl
- P. Te Otimi Pte.
- Reone Pirimi Pte.
- Robert Tapsell Pte.
- Ratapu Te Moani Pte.
- S. Robinson Reg Sgt M.J. D.C.M.
- S. Taiwhanga Pte.

### Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial



Te Arawa men remembered

- Tango Kokiri 2nd Lt.
- Tarei Kahukore Cpl
- T.W. Nicholls Cpl. M.M.
- Tupu Poata St/Sgt.
- T. Whare-Raupou L/Cpl
- Wiremu P. Houia L/Cpl
- W. Natanahira Pte.
- Waretini Rukingi Sgt.
- Wetini Te Muera Pte.
- Timi Awiti Pte.\*
- Eru Rihari Pte.\*
- Pika Tairua Pte.\*
- Hori K.Huriwaka Pte.\*

\*these four men are listed in the 1927 Souvenir Program but are not named on the memorial

### Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial



Key features...

- Gothic style, made from Sydney gritstone (a hard sandstone) and Belgian marble
- Memorial has eight sides symbolising "Nga Pumanawa e Wanu o Te Arawa"- the eight beating hearts of Te Arawa
- Eight carved totara figures (tupuna pou) originally around the memorial representing the eight children of Te Arawa ancestor Rangitahi
- Carving of the Arawa waka at the base, originally a stone statue of Te Arawa ancestor Rangitahi stood on the stone block



## Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial



Rotorua Museum collection CP-2122

### Key features...

- A Krupp field gun, thought to have been captured by the Maori Pioneer Battalion at Le Quesnoy, northern France was located at the front of the memorial
- The gun was enclosed by four identical carved posts and a chained fence

## Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial



Mark Adams, c 1980s  
Carved post representing Taurua,  
memorial to Te Arawa soldiers  
Rotorua Museum collection 2003 34.29

### History

- Statue of Rangitahi vandalised 1936, remaining portions in RM collection
- Carvings vandalised and some stolen 1990/1991
- Remaining carvings placed in care of RM by Arawa Trust Board, Dec 1992
- Krupp's gun removed and placed in storage
- Gun restored 1998, replaced in new position
- Twelve original carvings replaced by twelve identical concrete moulded figures (c.1998?)
- Two tupuna pou and four identical wheku form tekoteko currently in care of RM

## Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial



### History

- Report by David Pound for RDC (1998?)
- Inspection and maintenance report Feb 2008 for Rotorua Museum by Detlef Klein, Manawatu Museum Services
- Overall condition of memorial in 2008 was "generally be considered to be good", all stonework in good condition
- Cleaning and maintenance programme recommended in 2008
- Conservation of King George V figure required, and decisions on restoration of original features

## Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial



Photographer and date unknown  
Rotorua Museum collection CP-2121

### Conservation and restoration...

- WW100 Committee investigating costs and options for memorial conservation, restoration and interpretation as a key Rotorua WW1 commemoration project
- Estimated cost more than \$100,000
- Proposed funding application to WW1 Lotteries for around two-thirds of the cost, closing Feb 2015
- Possible project completion in 2018
- RDC has engaged Manawatu Museum Services to develop a Conservation Plan in liaison with RDC

## Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial

### Feedback?



Mark Adams, 1986  
Carved cornice on the base of the  
memorial to Te Arawa soldiers  
Rotorua Museum collection  
2003.34.29

- Overall proposal to conserve and restore the memorial and apply for Lotteries funding
- Possible options:
  - conservation or restoration of the Rangitahi statue
  - conservation or replacement of original eight tupuna carvings; options for replacement (material, size, cost)
  - conservation or replacement of four wheku tekoteko; options for replacement (material, size, cost)
- Community engagement:
  - research and tell the stories of the 39 Te Arawa men who fought and died in WW1
  - interpretation and publication options



Mark Adams, c.1980s Memorial to Te Arawa Soldiers, Government Gardens  
Rotorua Museum collection 2003.51.20

**List of Te Arawa men named on the Te Arawa Soldiers Memorial, 1927  
Government Gardens, Rotorua**

Names are as inscribed on the memorial.

1. A.P. Kaipara 2nd Lt.	
2. Alfred Pinker Pte.	
3. Albert P. Anaru Pte	
4. Charles Hall Pte.	
5. Charles Savage Sgt.	
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35. Wetini Te Muera Pte.	
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37. Eru Rihari Pte.*	Not on memorial but listed in souvenir programme
38. Pita Tairua Pte.*	Not on memorial but listed in souvenir programme
39. Hori K.Huriwaka Pte.*	Not on memorial but listed in souvenir programme

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## CBD Gardens and Open Space improvements



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### The Council's premiere CBD open spaces

These areas include:

- Government Gardens
- Rotorua Lake Front Reserve
- Kuirau Park
- Inner city/CBD planted gardens



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### Issues with below standard maintenance

Current LOS is meeting targets for overall city-wide beautification, slightly below target for district's reserves

Premiere Open Spaces are below acceptable levels

- Changed resources without changed plan
- Communication across and within RDC operations and responsibilities with staff changes

### Corrections and lifting the baseline

Increased efforts from RC teams into Kuirau Park, Government Gardens and CBD gardens



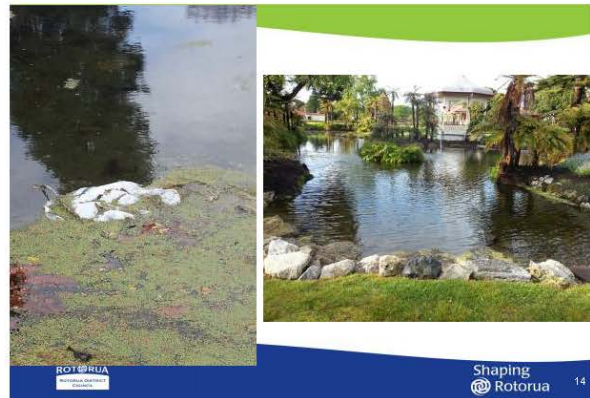




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## Sustaining new standards

### Improved communication

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## iAuditor inspections

STRUCTURES - 22/26 - 84%		
Question	Response	Details
<b>STRUCTURES</b>		
Boatramps & Jetties	Pass	Score (25/26) 84%
Tracks	Pass	
TRACKS - Body Passage	Fail	
TRACKS - Surface Material	Fail	Ph 1 - new culvert construction along old road & wetland area, 1100 x 1000 Ph 2 - Boardwalk near track entrance off Kahuhi street needs to be replaced
TRACKS - Surface Slopes	Fail	
TRACKS - Surface Edges	Good	Edge to hotspur pool recently upgraded and back into pool Ph 1 - edge on track leading to area used to aquatic centre redesigned
TRACKS - Surface Fluting	Pass	

HORTICULTURAL - 16/17 - 94%		
Question	Response	Details
<b>HORTICULTURAL</b>		
Score (16/17) 94%		
SPRINKLER BEDS	Pass	
SPRINKLER BEDS - Weeds	Pass	Ph 12 - garbage can at the aquatic centre Ph 2 - garden on reserve next to aquatic centre
SPRINKLER BEDS - Muck Coverage	Fail	Overhead gardens recently mucked - looks good Gardens to fall mow and cutback well Ph 1 - muck needs to be checked and replaced once playing works are completed
SPRINKLER BEDS - Quality	Pass	Ph 1 - new garden installed around the playground hot ponds Ph 2 - Props on / non-boards on at the aquatic centre
SPRINKLER BEDS - Planting	Pass	
HOBBY GARDENS	Pass	



## Sustaining new standards

Improved communication

Increasing efficiency and productivity of garden crews

Prioritising key open space areas

Resourcing changes

RDC matrix management





**Kuirau Park**

**Proposed Development**

Ngati Whakaue Gifted Reserves Protocol meeting  
Nov 2014

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- Shared cycle and pedestrian connection

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- Boulevard implementation
- Kuirau Park entranceway
- Feature Gardens

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- Market extension
- Market toilet
- Themed garden
- Campervan parking
- Carparking for Inner City

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The full plan:

- Boulevard extension
- Spa development
- Aquatic Centre upgrade
- Possible Whare Aroha development
- Possible carpark extension
- Possible four-laning of Ranolf St

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### Other plans for Kuirau Park...

- Kuirau Park Towers; progressing a geotech/engineering study
- Developing a signage strategy for new Kuirau Park signage
- Conducting a financial feasibility report for the Kuirau Park spa development

### Our other reserves:

- Sulphur Point – developing a new signage strategy for this walkway.