

# Ngāpuhi

this is our time  
nō tātou tēnei wā!



“Te Kauri i wehi rua, e kai a te ahi”

## Open letter to Ngāpuhi Nui Tonu

# “It is time for Ngāpuhi to be heard”

## - mandate to be sought by Tūhoronuku during August & September

Ngāpuhi Treaty settlement sub-committee **Te Rōpū o Tūhoronuku** is to begin seeking mandate from mid-August to represent the iwi in settlement negotiations with the Crown.

An **Horizon Research** poll commissioned in June by **Te Rōpū o Tūhoronuku**, found:

- **91% of Ngāpuhi wished to negotiate a Treaty settlement directly with the Crown.**
- **50.4% of Ngāpuhi support a parallel process** (i.e. direct settlement negotiations with the Crown for an early settlement, while at the same time individual Ngāpuhi Treaty claims are heard through the Waitangi Tribunal)

Ngāpuhi is Aotearoa’s biggest iwi, with more than 123,000 members who mostly reside in the greater Auckland area, with 13% living at home in Northland.

It is now time for all Ngāpuhi, wherever they live, to have their say on who they want to represent them.

Over the past three years Tūhoronuku has held 44 consultation hui throughout Aotearoa and parts of Australia. We’ve conducted online forums and communicated with our people through various other means.

For those hapū who have had concerns, we’ve delayed the mandate process by three months and entered into Crown-sponsored facilitation by respected statesman Hon Jim Bolger.

### It is now time for Ngāpuhi to have their say.

Mandating hui will begin on 19 August, and will be held throughout Aotearoa, Sydney and Perth. They will be well advertised in mainstream media, including television, in coming weeks.

All Ngāpuhi will be given the opportunity to vote, with the option to vote online, by post, by fax or at a mandating hui.

Mr Tau said those Ngāpuhi who are wanting more information on how they can participate in the voting process should go to the Tūhoronuku website [www.tuhoronuku.com](http://www.tuhoronuku.com).

“Kia tū tika ai te whare tapu o Ngāpuhi”

Mauri ora

**Te Rōpū o Tūhoronuku**

## Te Rōpū o Tūhoronuku Representatives:

<b>John Klaricich</b>	Kaumātua Representative
<b>Titewhai Harawira</b>	Kuia Representative
<b>Kyle Hoani</b>	Hapū Kaikōrero Representative [Ngai Tāwake ki te Tuawhenua]
<b>Toko Tahere</b>	Hapū Kaikōrero Representative [Ngāti Tautahi]
<b>Sam Napia</b>	Hapū Kaikōrero Representative
<b>Hōne Sadler</b>	South Auckland Rohe Representative

<b>Denis Hansen</b>	West/Central Auckland Rohe Representative
<b>Ben Dalton</b>	Wellington Rohe Representative
<b>Tana Cooper</b>	South Island Rohe Representative
<b>Sonny Tau</b>	Te Rūnanga Ā Iwi O Ngāpuhi Representative
<b>Carol Dodd</b>	Te Rūnanga Ā Iwi O Ngāpuhi Representative

Four Hapū Kaikorero positions remain open.

## About Tūhoronuku

- The sole purpose of Tūhoronuku is to secure mandate from Ngāpuhi for the journey to settlement.
- Tūhoronuku is an independent sub-committee of Te Rūnanga Ā Iwi o Ngāpuhi. It will have 7 hapū representatives, 4 urban rohe representatives, 2 Kaumatua Kuia representatives and 2 representatives from the Rūnanga.
- Tūhoronuku represents all Ngāpuhi, no matter where we live – Te Tai Tokerau (Northland), Aotearoa (New Zealand) or Tāwāhi (overseas). Tūhoronuku allows all Ngāpuhi to vote and be involved in our settlement. You do not have to be registered with the Rūnanga to vote.
- The Minister of Māori Affairs and Minister in Charge of Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations endorsed the Tūhoronuku Deed of Mandate strategy in January 2011, calling it “sound” and “in line with Crown criteria for a robust and transparent mandating process.”

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